TOWN OF WESTON

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SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 14th, 2021 at 7:30 PM

Present: Denis Benson, Jim Linville, Bruce Downer and Charles Goodwin.

Absent: Ann Fuji'i.

Public: Donald Hart, Sandra Goodwin, Kim Seymour, Almon Crandall, and Natalie Boston

Chairman Denis Benson called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

1. Changes or Additions: None

2. Public Comment: None

- 3. Road Forman Almon Crandall: Almon Crandall begins saying no word yet on parts for Hugh's truck, also notes 550 5 year warranty is up next year and would like to start looking now for a replacement. Discussion. Denis Benson makes a motion to allow Almon to order whatever he can get, Bruce Downer 2nd. *Unanimously approved*. Denis Benson asks Almon about access Permit, Almon says will need an 18 in culvert, may need another. Discussion on incomplete App, Decided will act on once complete application is received. Discussion on "Taking it easy" on the trucks to hopefully prevent breaks. Jim Linville asks Almon odds of getting a truck discussed on order and Almon says not betting on it. Jim Linville asks about the Garage Tank setback issue. Almon says he takes full responsibility, knew didn't need a permit and thought would be able to get a variance. Jim Linville clarifies and asks if should get an easement from the rec. Buy a 5-10 ft strip of land from the rec? Figure out what is needed to be in compliance and bring request to the rec. Donald Hart suggests a boundary line adjustment. Discussion. Will discuss at the next meeting.
- **4. Sandra Goodwin:** Sandra Goodwin begins by saying she is seeking authorization to hire an attorney for a tax sale (08005-00), as well as request putting in a bid on the towns behalf. Discussion. Jim Linville moves to authorize Sandra to retain an attorney and will decide on putting in a bid on behalf of the town later. Charles Goodwin 2nd. Discussion. Denis Benson says authorize tax sale, talk to attorney and go from there. *Unanimously approved*.
- **5. The Little School Electrical:** Discussion on prices for multiple jobs to be done on the Little School. Denis Benson concerned about the amount invested in this. Natalie Boston says she was supposed to hear from TLS how much they can contribute but has not received that yet. Discussion. Jim Linville says to speak with electrician and fire marshal on the generator. Will discuss at next meeting once have a # from TLS.
- 6. Access Permit: Discussed earlier
- **7. Scoping Study Extension:** Jim Linville moves to Authorize and sign. Charles Goodwin 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*

- **8. Field House in Manchester Request:** Charles Goodwin moves to discuss at budget meeting, Jim Linville 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
- **9. Fuel Tank Set Back Issue:** Discussed earlier
- **10. DTR:** Selectboard reviewed and accepted
- **11. Review and Approve Minutes:** Bruce Downer moves to approve with minor correction, Jim Linville 2^{nd} *Unanimously approved.*
- **12. SO#27 Payroll/ SO #27 Vendors:** Bruce Downer moves to approve SO #27 Payroll for the amount of \$8,222.45, Jim Linville 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.

 Bruce Downer moves to approve SO #27 Vendors for the amount of \$67,395.37, Jim Linville 2nd. *Unanimously approved*. Kim Seymour asks how to post the \$50,000, suggests general fund. Denis Benson confirms yes.
- **13. New/Old Business:** Kim Seymour says that she received an email from the towns auditor and they cannot do 2021 but can help with the final number/ Discussion. Kim Seymour notes that there are not a lot of auditors available and suggests possibly a partial audit. Jim Linville asks if this is a requirement, Charles Goodwin notes he would guess it is a statutory requirement. Discussion.

Denis Benson raises the question of the next meeting, suggests not having unless something urgent comes up. All agree no meeting on December 28th.

Reminder of next meeting is budgets on January 4th at 7:00 PM.

Jim Linville makes a motion to go into executive session 1 VSA 313(a)(2) to discuss Personnel as well as the recent Town Survey, Charles Goodwin 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.

Selectboard goes into Executive session at 8:52 PM.

Selectboard comes out of Executive session at 9:25.

Jim Linville moved to authorize Town Clerk to retain Purely Green Environmental to survey for mold in the Town Office. Tim Goodwin 2^{nd} . *Unanimously approved.*

Charles Goodwin Moves to Adjourn, Jim Linville 2nd. Unanimously approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 PM