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Selectboard:
Jan Gaudio
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SELECTBOARD MINUTES

Date: January 9, 2018 Time: 6:00 PM Place: Municipal Building Rev. 0

Present: Selectboard Members: Jan Gaudio, Walter Reitz and Cheryl Waterman
Others: Town Administrator Terri Baines, Ambulance Director Amy Dyer, Mike Drinkwater

Note: A listing as present does not denote attendance for the entire meeting.

I. Call to Order

Gaudio called the meeting to order at 1800.

II. Adjustments to the Agenda

Gaudio added Marijuana Moratorium under Other Business.

III. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

There was no public comment.

IV. Business Items

A. Ambulance Director – Amy Dyer

Dyer started using the When to Work program to schedule shifts.

The flu clinic was cancelled due to a storm.

Dyer held a training session during one of their meetings.

Amy contacted Ron Morin concerning an electrical plug that isn't working in the ambulance.

Reitz asked Dyer if she has met with staff. He suggested Dyer meet with the staff one on one. He also suggested she go over the evaluation form with them.

New hires are on a six-month probation period.

Quote for new monitor

Dyer is getting quotes for replacing the current defibrillator. She is thinking of going with a Zoll as most of the services in the area use that brand. There is \$32,000 in the Defibrillator Reserve Fund to purchase a new defibrillator. The one the Ambulance Service has now is out of date and has no battery back-up.

Waterman moved and Reitz seconded a motion to accept the recommendation of whichever defibrillator the Ambulance Director recommends for our Ambulance Service as long as it is within our budget.

Motion passed 3-0.

New Hires

Matt Gerrish started and has run on shifts.

Dyer has two new hires. Gabrielle Rossignol, AEMT and Randy Davis, EMT. The Board will accept them as new hires and they will meet the Board at a Selectboard meeting in the future.

Reitz moved and Waterman seconded a motion to accept the hiring of Gabrielle Rossignol and Randy Davis.

Motion passed 3-0.

New Billing Rates

The new rates Dyer are proposing are what area services are charging. Proposed new rates: ALS \$900, BLS \$650, ALS 2 \$1200, bill per mile \$15.

Waterman moved and Reitz seconded a motion to accept these new billing rates.

Motion passed 3-0.

Dyer also met with dispatch to discuss the changes in coverage.

B. Jesse Butler - Resignation from RSU #13 Board

Waterman moved and Reitz seconded with regret a motion to accept Jesse Butler's resignation as a Member of the RSU #13 Board effective December 19, 2017.

Motion passed 3-0.

C. Cathy Lawrence – Resignation from Planning Board

Reitz moved with regret and Waterman seconded a motion to accept Cathy Lawrence's resignation as a Member of the Planning Board effective December 19, 2017.

Motion passed 3-0.

D. Consideration of Shortening the Time During Which Nomination Papers Are Available For the Special School Board Election At The Annual Town Meeting.

Reitz moved and Waterman seconded a motion to shorten the time during which nomination papers are available for the Special School Board Election to be held at the Annual Town Meeting from the normal 40 days to 17 days.

Motion passed 3-0.

E. Ambulance Write-offs

Waterman moved and Reitz seconded a motion that in accordance with the recommendation of the Town Administrator that 6 past due ambulance billing accounts, as depicted on a schedule dated 12/31/17 totaling \$2,195.14, be declared uncollectable and written off as an accounts receivable.

Motion passed 3-0.

F. Accept a Donation from Janet and Charles Hartman for the Ambulance Service

Waterman moved and Reitz seconded a motion to accept the \$50 donation and to let the Ambulance Director use the money as she sees fit.

Motion passed 3-0.

G. Accept a Donation from Janet and Charles Hartman for the Fire Department

Waterman moved and Reitz seconded a motion to accept the \$50 donation and to let the Fire Chief use the money as he sees fit.

Motion passed 3-0.

H. Other Business

Marijuana Moratorium

The Marijuana Moratorium that was extended in September will expire in March.

The Board discussed putting this issue on the Town Warrant. The Board will recommend prohibiting retail sales, social clubs and cultivation.

There was a brief discussion on accepting Gilford Butler from RSU #13 after the school is closed. Waterman will look for the deed in which the Town gave the school to SAD #5.

The Board discussed dedication of the Town Report and options for a cover.

V. Review Correspondence

A. MRC – Greg Louder

Reitz moved and Waterman seconded a motion that the Chair sign the MRC Municipal withdrawal agreement on behalf of the Town.

Motion passed 3-0.

B. Bruce Colson OHSTT Solid Waste Board Chairman

The meeting is scheduled for 7 pm on February 8th at the Owls Head Town Office. The vision for the Transfer Station will be discussed at this meeting.

The Chair will contact Colson and confirm the date.

C. T.G. Higgins – Nicholas Walsh

The Board acknowledged the letter written by Tammy Higgins to Nicholas Walsh.

D. Judson Dodge

Gaudio will take the letter to the Solid Waste Board for further discussion and response.

E. RSU #13 – John McDonald

Baines will ask for a volunteer for the Strategic Plan and Vision for Education Committee on the website.

VI. Reports and Administration

A. Ambulance – December Report

The Board reviewed the December Report.

B. Assessor's Agent – November Report

The Board reviewed the December Report.

C. Code Enforcement Officer – December Report

The Board reviewed the December Report.

D. EMA- December Report

The Board reviewed the December Report.

E. Fire Department – December Report

The Board reviewed the December Report.

F. Licensed Plumbing Inspector – December Report

No Report

G. Treasurer – December Report

The Board reviewed the December Report.

H. Town Administrator's December Report

The Board reviewed the December Report.

I. Abatements

There were no abatements.

J. Authorize Treasurer's Warrants 101-108, 1-2

The Board authorized Treasurer's Warrants 101-108, 1-2.

K. Review Check Reconciliations for December 2017

The Board reviewed Check Reconciliations for December 2017.

L. Approve Minutes of November 29th, December 12th and 18th, 2017

Waterman moved and Reitz seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of November 29th, December 12th and 18th, 2017.

Motion passed 3-0.

M. Schedule Future Meeting(s)

The Board affirmed meetings of January 16th, Jan 22nd, February 8th, and February 13th. Budget Committee meetings of January 23rd, 24th, 25th 30th and 31st. The March meeting was scheduled for March 13th. The Annual Town Meeting is March 27th.

Adjournment

Reitz moved and Gaudio seconded a motion to adjourn at 1945.

Motion passed 3-0.

Selectboard Approved February 13, 2018.