

SELECTMEN'S MEETING – November 9, 2020

Present: Richard Bielefield, John Strasser, Margo Connors via telephone
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: None

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The Select Board will not meet on Monday November 16, 2020. The Town Clerk and Tax Collector will be closed on November 16th.

MR. BIELEFIELD, MR. STRASSER and JENNIFER GAUDETTE attended the Zoom meeting with North Country Council. And representatives from Franconia, Bethlehem, Easton and Lisbon attending. Discussion was on forming a communication district for more leverage when dealing with potential companies. The process of establishing a district and planning committee will take approximately 18 months. The group left the meeting at 5:15 to hold the regular Select Board meeting,

Jennifer discussed with the board a request from Road Agent Glover to purchase a used roller that can be used with hot mix. Current roller can only be used for a cold mix product. EW Sleeper has a used roller with 150 hours that the town could purchase for \$13,000 including the trade in of the existing roller. MR. STRASSER made a motion to approve the expenditure from the highway CRF, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The motion passed unanimously.

The Richardson Library will be closing down for in person visits due to the automation process. Curbside delivery will be available.

MS. CONNORS discussed the possible financing of a solar project. Jennifer will contact WGSB for additional information.

Jennifer reported that a representative from the Department of Labor stopped in and will return to do a safety inspection of all the town buildings.

Jennifer completed the CARES Act for funding for increased costs due to absentee balloting. The grant is an 80/20 split and is figured on how many ballots were processed compared to 2016. MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to accept the CARES Grant Funds and appoint board chair John Strasser to sign all documents, seconded by MS. CONNORS. The motion passed.

MS. CONNORS made a motion to approve the non-public and public meeting minutes of November 2, 2020 seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business before the Board, MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MR. STRASSER, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday November 23rd, at 5:00pm at the Carolina Crapo Building. Social distancing and face masks required

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gaudette
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