Select Board Meeting

August 5, 2020

6:02 pm meeting called to order by Neil.

Select Board members present: Ericka Oleson and Neil Oleson.

Select board members absent: Mike Bedini

Others present: Jim White, Bret Billings, Christine Dobbert and Vicki Winchell

Ericka Oleson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/22/20 meeting. Neil Oleson seconded. Unanimous.

Selectmen:

* Selectmen signed warrant for the State Primary.
* Bret Billings, Manice Center
  + Mr. Billings attended tonight’s meeting to continue the discussion regarding who is responsible for the road leading into the Manice Center and the need for some work on it.
  + Neil had researched who actually is responsible for this road by checking various town records and speaking with local town historians. He was unable to find any record that the town had ever adopted this road as one of their roads, even though historically the town has always maintained this road.
  + Mr. Billings had also investigated this question and was only able to find maps stating the road was named Burnett Road and then there was a name change to Gangemi Road, but nothing showed who owned it.
  + Selectmen agreed the town would continue maintenance on the road. Jim will bring a few loads of gravel in and level it off with the grader in the future as soon as time allows. Mr. Billings is in no hurry for any action as the center will not be hosting campers until Spring 2021.

Christine Dobbert, Town Administrator:

* Christine will be taking two vacation days: Thursday, August 6 and Friday, August 7, 2020.
* New truck will be ready to pick up on Monday. They had attempted to pick it up once however there was confusion (on the part of the Registry) regarding the towns tax exemption status. It has been straightened out and Christine and Jim are traveling Monday to pick it up
* The Marijuana Farm has revoked their request to purchase the property on Bliss Road. They found it was going to be to expensive to install electricity to the property. Christine is going to try to get reimbursed from them for some of the time she spent working on this project.
* A small, inexpensive air conditioning unit was bought and installed in the compactor shed.

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Christine Dobbert, Town Administrator (continued):

* The school department has requested to use the Senior Center for school committee meetings to minimize traffic to the school. Selectmen gave approval for them to use this location until the Senior Center opens back up.
* Christine mentioned to Jim a local resident knows of a great website for finding great prices and deals on used loaders. Jim will look into which site it is. He had been looking at various sites but most offered product that was worse than what we have already.

Jim White, Highway Department Supervisor:

* Transmission leak on truck #10 has been repaired
* Working on mowing.
* Received some bids on a snowplow for the new truck. Bids are on an 8-foot Fisher plow. County Wide $4900; Bakers $5100; Vassart $5070. Neil is unsure if it is needed but they will take the thought and the bids under consideration.

6:27 pm Ericka made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Neil seconded. Unanimous.