

Town of Chesterville

Selectboard Meeting

June 22, 2017

The following members present: Tyler Jenness, Tiffany Estabrook, Matt Welch, Ross Clair and Ed Hastings. Town Clerk Pam Griswold, Deputy Town Clerk Rachel Heseltine, Treasurer Erin Norton, Road Foreman Mike Cote, CEO Brenda Medcoff and Fire Chief John Archer along with members of the public were present.

Chairman Tyler Jenness moved to open the meeting at 6:02pm. Matt seconded.

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 1: TREASURER REPORT

Tiffany moved to upload AP warrants weekly to website or Facebook, Matt seconded

Discussion that it is available to residents through Freedom of Access and they can come in and get it. It is time consuming and not really feasible right now. Tiffany offered to take photos with her phone and upload; no one had an issue with that.

AFFIRMATIVE 2 OPPOSED 3 MOTION FAILED
(Ed, Tyler and Ross)

Tyler moved to accept warrant #75 for \$16,083.90; Ed seconded

No discussion

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

Tyler moved to accept warrant #76 for \$1,979.41; Tiffany seconded

No discussion

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

Tyler moved to accept warrant #77 for \$2,403.30; Ed seconded

No discussion

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

Erin has been in contact with the bank reference TAN; has a proposal to be signed. It is for \$400,000 and she will only be drawing on it as needed. The funds will be available July 1, 2017 and she will pay on it as taxes come in so that we do not pay the \$2,000+ interest. Interest rate is at 1.35%

Ed moved the to accept the TAN proposal from Androscoggin Bank (-see attached); Tyler seconded.

No discussion

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

Sabrina is not getting paid due to missing employment paperwork.

Ed moved to go into an Executive Session per 405.6.a for a personnel matter, specifically the CEO officer; Tyler seconded

No discussion

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

Five minute break after executive session

****Town Clerk and Deputy hours for next Agenda****

Ross stated a letter was put in an employee's file

ITEM 2: KIM LESSARD ON LD 725

Signed into Law on Friday, the State said that they recognize municipalities right to be self-governing concerning food. Our Town does not have a law concerning food sovereignty so we would need to adopt an ordinance stating that we do not want to be governed by the State concerning food; requesting Article on next year's Town Warrant to vote on adopting an ordinance. Kim gave several examples of how it is beneficial for us to have this policy. Kim stated that it would only apply to food grown, processed or made within our community. Ed asked Kim to create an ordinance.

ITEM 3: CODE ENFORCEMENT

Matt mentioned the need for all the codes in town, Ross mentioned the intent of the original code enforcement (\$1); Ed mentioned penalties for permission - Matt would like to go back to State minimum regulations. Tiffany mentioned Ruth Cushman coming in to look at our ordinances; sign-up sheet for committee to look at ordinances.

Matt moved to create a committee to look into our ordinances and land use policies; Ed seconded

Ross cautioned about making sure we are in compliance with the State

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 4: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Discussion on Zions Hill culvert from last weeks meeting; Tiffany cautioned about ditching on Meeting House area since they use that area for parking, Ed agreed.

Ross moved to meet at the Town Garage on the Zions Hill Rd location next Thursday at 6pm to look at it; Tyler seconded

Discussion about whether Mike will have enough time if we wait until next week; Tyler stated he thinks that Mike is capable of meeting with the people involved and handling it himself.

Ross withdrew his motion

Excavator is not ready yet. Haggan guaranteed it by Tuesday, next week. Mike does have the trailer.

DOT hearing about bridge on the Dutch Gap Road, they may put a temporary bridge in or they may close it completely. The culvert is collapsing.

Discussion about the ski jump on Zions Hill.

Ed said that if Mike thinks the road needs to be posted, he should post them. Mike can give permission to individuals as needed for trucking.

Ross moved that the first Thursday of each month will be for employee comments as needed, Tyler seconded

Ed added that if the employee thinks it should be discussed in an executive session, then it could be. Kim mentioned that the budget committee didn't factor in an extra hour each month for employees to be at board meeting. It's important to keep the line of communication open.

Tiffany amended that the first Thursday in July will be mandatory.

AFFIRMATIVE 5 OPPOSED 0 MOTION CARRIED

Landfill building - should it be handicap accessible? Mike wants to slope it with gravel. Ross mentioned putting up a sign with the landfill employee names.

DOT engineer will be out concerning the speed limit survey and it will take a couple weeks to get it back.

ITEM 5: FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS

Ed mentioned first and third Thursdays; Tiffany mentioned asking employees about being paid bi-weekly. She stated she doesn't think we are "there" yet. Tyler would like to go to twice a month. Tyler would like to revisit this at another meeting. Ed mentioned it making them more efficient and they would get more things done. We are the only time that meets every week. Tyler mentioned that its coming into fair season and he will not be here every week. Ross stated that if it doesn't work, we could always go back. It should be our goal.

There being no further business before the Board, Tyler moved to adjourn at 8:22pm; Matt Jenness seconded.

AFFIRMATIVE	5	OPPOSED	0	MOTION CARRIED
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-x- Minutes respectfully submitted by Rachel Heseltine -x-