Town of Danbury BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES October 7, 2020 6:00 PM

Present:

Jessica Hatch, Chairman /Lyn England, Selectman/James Phelps, Selectman Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was opened at 6pm by Jessica Hatch.

Checks/Applications/Signatures

- Payroll(\$7,104.43) and accounts payable(\$11,156.96) were signed.
- Jessica motioned to approve the minutes of 9/16, seconded by Jim. Minutes approved 3-0.
- Intent to Cut Powell/406-230 and 406-234 on Bohonon Rd/ Jim motioned to approve, seconded by Jessica. Motion passed 3-0.
- Timber Tax Billing Scanlan Operation 20-111-06-T \$668.76/Lyn motioned to approve the timber tax, seconded by Jim. Motion passed 3-0.
- Purchase orders:
 - 1. Town Clerk New printer for state business for \$542.70. Lyn motioned to approve the purchase order, seconded by Jim. Motion passed 3-0.
- Land Use Change Tax. Theodore Brantley 415-052 had appealed his tax by filing an abatement application. Cindy Perkins, of CNP Assessing reviewed the application for abatement and assessed a revised LUCT of \$3,170. Jim motioned to approve the change tax, seconded by Lyn. Motion passed 3-0.
- Abatement 2020-06. Brantley in the amount of \$1,130 plus the interest accrued since the original tax as assessed. This abatement is for internal bookkeeping processed only. Jim motioned to approve, seconded by Lyn. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business:

- The Board reviewed a letter sent by the State of NH to Doug Colby regarding Hippie Hill. Also, an email was received from a bicyclist, who is a user of the rail trail, supporting the town's efforts. Finally a phone message was received from a resident of Railroad Drive on Saturday 9/26 to register a complaint about the music coming Dick's Village Store and also stating that motorcycles were driving on the rail trail to get to Hippie Hill.
- Jim motioned to approve a \$2500 payment to Lock & Lorde for bond counsel services for Broadband. This is a contractual obligation for the services provided. Motion seconded by Jessica and passed 3-0.
- The RV being used as a residence on Hemlock Lane has been removed from lot 406-154.
- The new police cruiser is in service, but has not yet been lettered. A memo will be sent to the Police Chief requesting that the lettering be done ASAP. The Board will investigate the repairs that are needed for the 2010 old cruiser to keep it on the road. The Fire Chief has expressed an interest in using it as a Fire Department vehicle.
- The tax deeded property at 34 Dean Road will be listed with a local realtor.
- The batteries have been replaced in the fire alarm system. The burglar alarm for the PD and our system also will be replaced.

New Business:

- Municipal Aid will be received from the State of New Hampshire in the amount of \$22,497. This is about \$4,000 higher than the original estimate.
- Pemi River Fuel contract fuel pricing for 2020-2021 is \$1.969 for #2 fuel and \$1.359 for propane. Compared with average NH fuel values this week, #2 fuel is \$2.04 and propane is \$2.83. Lyn motioned to sign the contracts with Pemi River Fuel for the 2020-2021 winter season. Motion seconded by Jim and passed 3-0.

Jessica received a call from Jeff McIver of Consolidated Communications with an update of progress on the broadband project. He will update every 2 weeks, giving percentages of the work done in the different zones. He estimates that the Consolidated website specifically for Danbury residents will be live by the end of October.

FYI/REVIEW

- Record request from D. Aylward
- State Driveway Permit 244 NH Route 104/Arsenault
- Application for state driveway permit Cline 415-011-001
- Septic application Dickinson Hemlock Lane
- Estimate waste oil burner repair repair is complete
- Liability waiver returned =Jeremy Nelson to cut wood on High St
- Letter sent Romano/Ziegler Walker Brook Rd
- Giberson late letter
- Halloween and COVID article
- Current P & L

At 7:10 Jim motioned to adjourn, seconded by Lyn. Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant