

# TOWN OF BROWNFIELD



## Selectmen's Meeting December 8, 2020

**Selectmen in Attendance:** William Flynn, Erik Walker, Ricky Emery

**Attendees:** Whit Lucy, Dickie Perreault, Mike Bebis, Deb Merrill, Matt Coen

**Zoom attendees:** Kaz Madison, Cindy Walker, Alvina and Frank Day, Nina Lucy, Ada Lane

5:30pm the meeting was called to order by Chair, William Flynn.

**Minutes** of December 1<sup>st</sup> were approved by Erik; seconded by Bill. Vote 3-0-0.

**Cleaning bid** – one sealed bid with proof of liability insurance was received by Up Country Property Services; \$120 bi-weekly for the town office and \$120 bi-weekly or as needed for the Community Center. Erik motioned to accept the bid; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

**Disorderly building** – the Board discussed the possibility of offering the owner of two possible disorderly buildings a consent agreement instead of doing a second public hearing on the second property. Megan will reach out to the Town's attorney to let her know the board is willing to do that; if the owner does not agree, the second hearing will be scheduled.

**Workers Comp / Safety** – Megan received an email from our WC policy holder, and our rates have gone up 142% (\$16,598) since last year; these rates are affected by payroll and claims. We did get a 4% (\$1,297.60) credit for being a dedicated member and for the Fire Departments SHAPE award. Bill requested that the Safety Committee gets an email when a claim is filed in the office to see if any solutions can be made to prevent the same injury from happening again. Erik asked about shopping around for rates, and asked Megan to reach out to local insurance companies for quotes.

**Matrix Design** – Bill stated that Chris Lynch was still very interested in speaking with Brownfield regarding their company bringing broadband internet to town, but is still waiting on density numbers.

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**Board of Appeals** – Bill mentioned that he believes one of the members of the Board of Appeals may be moving out of town, in which case a replacement member would need to be appointed.

**Marijuana Fees** – Erik stated that he spoke with the Planning Board Chair regarding the marijuana fee schedule and he asked them to submit new recommended fees based on the pending litigation in other towns that were not considered reasonable; the fees can be increased again later, if needed.

**Plow** – Erik motioned to allow PW to purchase a new plow, only if necessary, from their operating budget; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

**Roads** – Erik complimented the Public Works crew on their road maintenance this past snow/ice storm.

6:06pm Erik motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Megan Witt*