

# TOWN OF BROWNFIELD



## Selectmen's Meeting January 12, 2021

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

**Attendees:** Brian Fortier, Deb Merrill

**Zoom attendees:** Cindy Eaton, Dickie Perreault, Cristin Perreault, Kaz Madison, Whit Lucy, Cindy Walker, Nina Lucy, Ada Lane

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

**Minutes of January 5<sup>th</sup> were approved by Bill; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.**

**Replacement Public Works Truck** – Brian presented the Board with a quote for a brand-new truck with a live floor body, plow and wing for \$158,778 that he would like to put in the upcoming town warrant. The trucks that PW currently has are 10, 11, 17 and 20 years old; most municipalities rotate their PW trucks out every 6-8 years. Ricky stated that this week alone there were over \$5,000 in parts for truck repairs, because our current trucks are in rough shape. Brian said that if this does not pass, we would at least need to purchase new bodies for the existing trucks because they are so badly rusted. The Board discussed ideas on coming up with a plan to begin rotating the trucks out so that we do not end up with a fleet of old trucks needing constant repair again.

**Debris Management Site** – Bill asked Brian if he had made a decision about using the transfer station as a debris management site for the DEP. Brian reported that he had already spoken with Erik at the DEP and filled out the application and attached the appropriate paperwork which was sent in the mail today.

**Skate Park Ramps** – Zach Everett reached out to Megan last week about storing the skate park ramps at the community center for the winter. Megan met with Zach on Friday to allow him access to the building to store the ramps until they can be put back out in the spring.

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**Emergency Mutual Aid** - Bill asked about the emergency mutual aid policy that was discussed previously. Erik said that he forwarded it to surrounding communities and has not received any feedback or interest.

**Density** – Bill reports that he spoke with Chris Lynch about the housing density in Brownfield. According to the 2010 Census, we have a density of 29.7 houses/square mile; he was looking for a minimum of 10.5. Bill gave Patrick Bryant’s contact information to Chris for the Broadband Committee.

**Broadband Committee** – Patrick sent Megan an email asking if the committee could use the Town’s logo. The Board unanimously agreed to allow the use of the logo because it is a Town committee.

**Legal** – Bill asked if we had scheduled an executive session with our attorney – Megan stated that it has been scheduled for January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

**Matt Coen** – Matt gave Megan a list of requests that he would like to see the Board of Selectmen enact. Erik reported that the Ordinance Book has already been completed. Erik also stated that it would cost the town millions of dollars and years of time to have our tax maps updated to show actual boundaries; he said that to his knowledge they have never been accurate. He believes the fire played a major role in that. Megan will reach out to Matt to see if he can join an upcoming Zoom meeting.

**New Fire Truck** – Dickie reports that the new truck will be lettered tomorrow. It will be delivered later this week or next week.

6:27pm Erik motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Megan Witt*