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Selectmen's Meeting February 17, 2021

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

Attendees: Bob Hebert, Dickie Perreault, Sonia Frye, Mike Lemmons

Zoom attendees: Cindy Walker, Kaz Madison, Katelynn Eckert, Ada Lane, Paul Duquette, Lenny Jean, Whit Lucy

5:16pm the meeting was called to order by Chair, William Flynn.

Minutes of February 9th were approved by Erik; seconded by Bill, with the correction that Limerick be changed to Porter regarding the book donations. Vote 3-0-0.

Minutes of February 10th were approved by Bill; seconded by Erik. Vote 3-0-0.

Mike Lemmons – Mike spoke to the Board about Dunn Park. He stated that over the years, the park has deteriorated. He has been looking into grants; the Town could reapply for the same grant it received in the 80's. The plan would be to tear down the existing park and build a new one out of materials that do not deteriorate. He has a lot of people that have expressed willingness to help. The Board is unanimously in favor of his ideas, and has asked him to remain in contact while the plans are being developed. The goal is a spring/summer project.

Public Works Department – Bob reports things are going well, with the exception of the International still having electrical issues. They have months of work and parts into the truck and still have not come to a conclusion. Bob has updated pricing on a replacement truck for the June warrant. He is looking into pricing on the plow equipment from another vendor to see if we can get the price reduced at all. Bill said that he has received several compliments from residents regarding the condition of the roads this winter.

Fire Department – Dickie reports several motor vehicle crashes, 7 medical calls, 1 fire, 1 fire alarm activation and 1 mutual aid to Denmark. The new engine is in service and has been on two calls already. He will be bringing it to Ripley and Fletcher Ford due to a check engine light being

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on, which is covered under warranty. 9 of his crew have received their first COVID vaccine and will get the second on March 4th. He would like to put up no parking signs at the new hydrant at the boat launch this summer, as people have been parking in front of it.

Health Officer – Dickie reports that he has taken care of a trash complaint on Main Street and done a wellness check in West Brownfield.

Public Works Director Applications – So far, two applications have been turned in. Megan received a call from another interested candidate who will be picking up an application tomorrow. The Board will review the applications and begin schedule interviews in the coming week.

Planning Board – Sonia came to the board regarding legal fees – they have used up their legal budget already and need to consult an attorney about a marijuana application that has been submitted. The Board told her to do what was necessary while keeping the costs at a minimum. Sonia stated that once the applicant has an escrow account – they will be able to use that to offset legal fees.

School Board Budget – Bill asked if the school board budget was going to have changes due to remote learning; Erik said likely no because schools are planning to fully reopen.

6:02pm Erik motioned to adjourn the meeting to open the public hearing; seconded by Bill. Vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Megan Witt