

TOWN OF DEERFIELD

BOARD OF SELECTMEN September 28, 2020 MINUTES

Call to Order

5:30 pm – Chairman Robertson called the meeting to order

Present: Andrew Robertson, Chairman; Richard Pitman, Vice Chairman, Fred McGarry, Alden Dill, and Cynthia McHugh, Selectmen.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chairman Robertson asks all to rise and pledge allegiance to the Flag

Steve Rollins – Highway Department

Chairman Robertson started by saying that looking at their order of business, Steve Rollins will not be with them this evening. He has given them an update of what he is working on, the two projects that they were concerned about. He thought that they should try to schedule him for their next meeting very definitely unless the Board didn't agree.

Longevity Award – Deb Treantafel

They had a longevity award to present tonight and it goes to Deb Treantafel who works with the Parks and Rec Department and do they have the actual correspondence to which Mr. Harrington stated that they did.

She is receiving a longevity award for ten years of service to the Town of Deerfield and that has been exclusively in the Parks and Rec Department. Deb has been a very valuable member of that department over the last couple of directorships in Parks and Rec and they also had a check to go along with that which they can make arrangements to get to her.

Chairman Robertson thanked her very much if she was listening.

Vice Chairman Pitman stated to the chairman that before he went any further, could he read into the minutes, the road agent's report to which the chairman stated absolutely so to give them an idea what they are dealing with.

Chairman Robertson stated that he was going to go back to the first order of business and per Vice Chairman Pitman's request, he is going to read in the information that the road agent provided them with.

He started off by apologizing that he was unable to attend this meeting in person due to a prior commitment.

"In regards to Candia, Middle and South Roads, the schedule for paving has a start date of October 7th and a finish date of October 9th.

They are on schedule and see no reason not to meet the paving start date.

As of that date, all prep work will be complete for the paving to be completed.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

He has provided public notice to which Mr. Harrington interrupted to state that those words were his to notify the Board, that given Steve's update, he would like to post that on our Facebook and town webpage to give the community notice.

Chairman Robertson stated yes, and that he would just read that and then if the Board is in agreement, someone could make a motion. This will be the public notice.

"The first phase of paving on Middle and Candia Roads will begin between October 7th and October 9th will take approximately one day to complete.

The second and final phase of paving on Middle, South and Candia roads will begin shortly thereafter. Another notice will be sent out once the date is determined."

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to publish the public notice regarding paving

Second: Selectman Dill

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Nick Lawrence – Deerfield Parks and Rec – Status of Afterschool Program

Chairman Robertson stated that next, they had Nick Lawrence from the Deerfield Parks and Rec Department who is looking to see, he believed, if the Board was interested in changing their status of allowing the Afterschool Program to use the GBW building.

Mr. Lawrence stated that this is exactly why he was looking to meet with you guys.

The Parks and Rec Commission is looking for an update and we are obviously working as hard as they could to get everything open for the community as safe and as fast as possible so he just wanted to see where they were at after another four weeks of seeing where things play out.

Chairman Robertson stated that they have had no specific discussion about that. He didn't know if the Board was interested to see how school progressed and the results from school. He didn't know if any Board members have had a change of heart or are interested in reconsidering at this point.

Selectman McGarry asked if there had been any cases at school to which the chairman stated that he wasn't aware of any.

Selectman Dill stated that they hadn't made any of the lists from the state for the schools. The new cases are covered. There has been some in Northwood, Barnstead and went back to remote but and Selectwoman McHugh added Nottingham.

Selectman Dill continued that all the surrounding towns. We have active cases in town but not tied to the school.

Chairman Robertson stated that they didn't have any active cases.

He continued that he didn't see any inclination to change the status of the building at this time. He didn't think that was what Nick wanted to hear but he thought that the Board was going to hold firm for another few weeks at least.

Mr. Lawrence asked if there was anything specifically that they were looking for, for it to change (couldn't understand) just so he could go back and tell them where they were at and when they might be able to (couldn't understand).

Chairman Robertson stated that he didn't ...

Selectman Dill stated that for him, it would take a major change from the school as to how the school was doing it. They just updated the state on the hybrid remote system he believed for six weeks. If they are not comfortable with school full time, he was not comfortable with the afterschool yet.

Selectwoman McHugh asked Mr. Lawrence if the state guidelines had changed at all from the beginning?

Mr. Lawrence stated that there have been no changes as far as actual care. It is going to follow pretty much the same model as far as (couldn't understand) expected during the day. No changes at this time.

Chairman Robertson stated that at this point, and he knows it is not what he wants to hear but, they are going to push this off and wait a few more weeks before they reconsider.

Mr. Lawrence stated that it was fine and that he will relay to the Commission and also he would like to get a feel as to how the Board felt about Trick or Treat goes and obviously Parks and Rec offers Tailgate Trick or Treat of which they are unsure of at this point but they should be meeting in the next week about that.

He asked if they have had any meetings or thoughts on either one of those things and how they might go or do they know how best to go forward with either for this year.

Chairman Robertson stated that they had not discussed yet. He has been following what other communities are doing and he knew that there were other communities that are planning on having traditional trick or treating and encouraging people to take precautions and stay in small groups and not large gatherings of folks moving around.

They haven't had that discussion yet. He didn't know if the Board wants to at this point. Is there any disagreement with having traditional trick or treat?

Selectwoman McHugh asked if he was asked about the traditional trick or treat and the chairman stated that he was asking about both. He is asking about traditional and tailgate.

Vice Chairman Pitman stated that someone should approach the fair before they do too much.

Selectman Dill stated that personally, the traditional one is good to go and tailgate, he thought that they should probably hold off on.

Chairman Robertson asked if the Board was in general agreement with that thought?

All members agreed verbally.

Chairman Robertson stated that so Nick, he thought that this was his answer. The Board is in general agreement that traditional trick or treat can fly but their recommendation would be to hold off on Tailgate Trick or Treat.

Denny Greig stated that she also wanted to note that there is a meeting by Primex and the NH Municipal Association tomorrow on guidance that the state is putting out and some overall guides for municipalities on just this issue.

Chairman Robertson stated that he appreciated from Denny and that and they are in general agreement at this point but if after hearing the guidance and guidelines that trigger something that they are concerned about, they may come back to reconsider but they will do it well in advance of October 31st.

The chairman asked Nick if he had anything else and he stated that just to add what Denny was saying, was that (couldn't understand due to background noise) so he thought that it was pretty consistent with the way that they were thinking but they were just things that were under consideration from his Board.

Budget Review:

Information Technology – Page 8

Chairman Robertson stated that looking at the requested budget for 2021, they are seeing an IT request of \$62,875.00. This is up from \$56,808.00, about a ten percent increase and if Steve Jamele could give them sort of the highlights of what is bumped up and what he is looking to do in the coming year with this budget.

Mr. Jamele stated that when he logs into his computer, it didn't show that number and the chairman stated that if Mr. Jamele had a new number, they would love to hear it.

Mr. Jamele stated that the new number is \$44, he was trying to see what he sent Mr. Harrington.

Mr. Harrington stated that the \$44,055.00 is just the part time line.

The chairman stated that if he had a way to save twenty grand in the budget, they would be happy to hear it.

Mr. Jamele stated that the only thing that is different is that Microsoft Office, 2019. That is to continue to upgrade. He split it up so that he wouldn't have to do it all at once. They still have some Office 2010 but pretty soon they will have to replace them and have to purchase Office 2019.

The rest of the stuff is pretty standard for what they have been doing for the subscriptions for anti-virus, for Muni-Smart, Metrocast, Virtual Townhall and the website. There is nothing really here that is much different than in past years.

The chairman asked if the Board had questions for Steve while they had him on the line.

Selectman Dill stated that equipment was way down this year and what did they buy last year that they aren't buying this year.

Mr. Jamele stated that he was correct and answered that they had bought all new computers for everybody that didn't have Windows10 so pretty much everybody has a new computer and he wasn't anticipating much in the form of computer replacement for this year.

The chairman asked for other questions for Steve.

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve the Information Services budget of \$62,875.00 as presented

Second: Selectman McGarry

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

MBC Budget – Page 9

The chairman stated that they have a requested 2021 budget from the MBC of \$1,275.00. That is up from the \$922.00 that was requested in 2020. He assumed that most of this is in regard to the part time employee, probably all of it and that would be the recording secretary.

Mr. Harrington stated that this was correct.

Motion: Selectman Dill moves to approve the requested budget from the MBC of \$1,275.00

Second: Selectwoman McHugh

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Town Clerk/Tax Collector – Page 3

The chairman noted that the 2021 Town Clerk budget is \$119,750.00. That is up slightly from \$118,750.00 in 2020.

The town clerk stated that her last year's budget is at \$119,750.00 and the chairman stated that she was correct and was exactly the same as last year.

She stated that she was \$287.00 lower this year and did they have any questions for her.

Selectman Dill stated that he noticed that the tax search was lower because they weren't auctioning anything so is that why they were lower on that?

Ms. Roberts stated that she inherited this budget from the previous clerk and he used a different tax search provider at that time. The tax search provider that she uses now is significantly lower so that number was heavily inflated.

So, what Ms. Roberts did with this budget is that she did her best to keep it a level budget and she was able to swap the lines around so that it accomplished her basic needs for 2021.

She would like to bring their attention to her proposed budget from last year, she had not included pay raises for either herself or her deputy, Kim Crotty as she felt that while they are in the COVID pandemic, it would be inappropriate at this time.

She will, however, seek the Board's approval for evaluation increases starting the next budget cycle. Hers would be in the form of a warrant article and Kim's in a proposed budget. She just didn't think that this was the time now but she just wanted them to be prepared and supportive when that time does come.

The other big thing that they need to look at in her proposed budget is the mileage. This increase, even though she is below budget, is for the daily bank run deposits and for when they go for trainings and workshops. They only have \$400.00 in there now. The employee handbook allows for mileage reimbursement and she was just trying to get that to an accurate figure.

The other thing that is a big difference is if they looked at the part time line, she stated that it isn't a pay increase but she moved money from other lines to increase this amount. This is so that they could focus on projects and that line is utilized for on call, per diem, project-based line and that position does things like help publish the town clerk/warrant article book and other important projects so she was just trying to get that up there so that they could continue to provide those services.

She didn't know if they had any other questions for her.

Selectman McGarry stated that she had zeroed out her equipment line and grant line and the question is if something comes up and she needs a piece of equipment, she won't be able to purchase it, at least that is his interpretation.

Chairman Robertson asked if she would like to keep a dollar in there to keep the line open to which Ms. Roberts stated that they should leave a dollar there. She apologized as she didn't realize that she did that.

Selectman McGarry stated that it should be the same under the grant line too.

Ms. Roberts stated that she agreed and stated that you never know when something might become available.

There is, for just a heads up, to get them thinking about it, the equipment line, she is proposing a warrant article for the Board to consider, to update their Clerk Works software and some of their equipment and scanning devices for motor vehicles so that is going to be in a suggested warrant article that she will present to them. You may want to consider it or you may want to consider it for maybe next year when all this COVID but she is thinking about the future as far as equipment, They have some big things on the horizon and if they get a chance to look at the items for that warrant article she would be more than happy to speak with them.

Chairman Robertson stated that they have two lines where they need to add one dollar, it looks like which will add \$2.00 to the bottom line.

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve the budget presented after adding \$2.00 to the bottom line for a total of \$119,752.00

Second: Selectman Dill

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Town Meeting/Election – Page 6

Chairman Robertson stated that the 2020 request was \$9,088.00 and the 2021 request is \$9,289.00, a \$200.00 increase much of which falls under maintenance and repairs and they had some back up information.

This is actually the maintenance fee for the AccuVote voting machines that the town uses. That is the amount of the increase.

Any questions or concerns involving the elections budget?

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve the Town Meeting/Election budget of \$9,289.00

Second: Selectman Dill

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Emergency Management – Page 42

The chairman stated that they had a requested budget of \$7,363.00 which matches last year's requested budget of \$7,363.00.

The chairman asked if the Board had questions or concerns. They had Denny Greig on the line.

The chairman stated that he didn't have any questions and asked if there was anything that she would like to highlight?

Ms. Greig stated that she didn't. It is pretty much the same and their lines remain open. They had grants come in for the (couldn't understand) but other than that, it is pretty straight forward.

Motion: Selectman Dill moves to approve the Emergency Management budget for 2021 at \$7,363.00

Second: Selectwoman McHugh

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Welfare – Page 66

The chairman stated that last year's budget request was \$70,297.00 and the 2021 budget request is \$71,522.00, a slight increase.

Chairman Robertson stated that he didn't know if Ms. Greig had any highlights that she wanted to touch on.

Ms. Greig stated again, this is split coverage. There is no change in the budget except for the wage increase due to COLA.

Motion: Selectman Dill moves to approve the budget request for Emergency Management in the amount of \$71,522.00

Second: Selectman McGarry

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Agencies Health/Social – Page 64

Chairman Robertson stated that the previous year's budget was \$34,316.00. They have the 2021 request of \$38,816.00. Most of that increase, all that increase is in the employee physicals and testing.

Mr. Harrington stated that this is not Denny's area but has to do with the same rationale that this has been brought forward in the other budget to get the baseline physical examinations for fire/rescue people for insurance purposes and benefits.

Motion: Selectman Dill moves to approve the \$38,816.00 for the Agencies Health/Social 2021 budget

Second: Selectman McGarry

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Chairman Robertson stated that this concludes the budget items that they will be discussing this evening.

Regular Business:

Review of Outstanding Minutes of September 21, 2020

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve 21 pages of the minutes of September 21, 2020

Second: Selectman Dill

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Accounts Payable Manifest - \$59,635.48

Motion: Selectman Dill moves to approve the Accounts Payable Manifest in the amount of \$59,635.48

Second: Selectman McGarry

Discussion: Selectwoman McHugh stated that she was confused about why they keep paying, they are not paying attention to what is coming in front of them. They are buying things without looking at them first.

Chairman Robertson asked her if she had specific concerns?

She stated that materials is probably a good one.

Chairman Robertson asked if it was the materials for road reconstruction and she stated yes.

She stated that she thought that it went with the \$250,000.00 reconstruction but

The chairman stated that they had a tie vote with 2 yea (Dill and McGarry) and 2 nay (McHugh and Pitman) on the accounts payable. He would note that he shares many of the same concerns but he is going to vote in favor of moving forward with the accounts payable manifest as there is a lot of things in there that they need to pay beyond that but it is noted that they have concerns specifically with regard to some of the road materials on road reconstruction.

Vote: Yea 3, Nay 2, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Vice Chairman Pitman asked the chairman if there is any way that they could see that before they walk in and sign the bill?

The chairman stated that he thought that Mr. Lemay has been getting them copies of the accounts payable manifests before coming in and he was not sure that this was put out, he didn't remember....

Selectman Dill stated that he saw an email on Friday and Mr. Harrington added that he thought that he had put it out.

Chairman Robertson stated that it is typically out on Friday as an email attachment to each of them with the listing.

Vice Chairman Pitman stated that Pete is usually right on it and he stated that he didn't get one this week.

The chairman asked Mr. Harrington if they could double check to which he stated that he would.

Vice Chairman Pitman asked Selectwoman McHugh if she got one to which she answered that she did but it didn't make any difference because they still have purchased the material after they have gotten it from Pete. He just sends them the invoices that he gets.

Signatures and Correspondence:

The chairman stated that they had a couple of things, one thing from the Assessing Clerk.

Intent to Cut Wood/Timber – Bruce and Patricia Herman – Map 415, Lot 75 (off of Mountain Road)

This doesn't require a vote.

The chairman stated that they had two Personnel Action Requests.

These are both for part time fire fighters.

The first is for James Lindquist and he will be moving from a part time, on call fire fighter/EMT to on call effective October 1st, 2020 and are looking to offer him 30 hours a week at \$16.00 per hour.

Vice Chairman Pitman asked Selectwoman McHugh if she recommended him to which she answered no.

Mr. Harrington stated that he could explain what is going on. Jim Lindquist currently occupies one of the 30-hour part time positions.

Jon Goldrick left the department in good standing. He moved to a full-time position down south. He is back in the area and has approached Matt to come back and at the time, it is Matt's decision to move Jon into the part time 30-hour position and Jim into the on-call position.

There is just a moving of personnel and not adding anybody.

The chairman added that this is the rate that they had before which was \$16.00 per hour up to 30 hours per week.

When Jon first arrived, he did not have certain certifications and was at \$14.00 per hour. He has not achieved those additional certifications which warrants the \$16.00 per hour so that is a \$2.00 per hour increase from when he was first hired.

Selectwoman McHugh asked what Jim was going to in which Mr. Harrington stated that he was going to \$16.00 per hour and continued that he still has the same certifications. He is just on call now, not scheduled part time. His rate didn't decrease. He still has the same certifications.

Selectwoman McHugh stated that he is just on call like the rest of them are to which Mr. Harrington stated that he is on call for the part time position.

Selectwoman McHugh stated that her concern is that Jimmy has not done a shift so why don't they just keep him part time, she guessed is what she was trying to say.

Mr. Harrington stated that he isn't because they only have two part time positions and one of them is currently filled by Ben Hochsweidner and Jon will be filling the part time, 30-hour position. Jim will just be on call to fill in if either one of those cannot make their shift.

She asked what does John Dubiansky, Jeremy Bacon and Chris Gallant, what are their positions?

Mr. Harrington stated that he believed that they are all on call positions as well. They fill in when others cannot make it.

Selectman Dill stated that this is how the chief explained it to him when he talked with him.

Mr. Harrington stated that he has to have more than just two people because...

Selectman Dill stated that he has two, permanent, part time and then he has a list of people that he can call to fill in when those permanent aren't there which is how the chief described it on the phone.

Vice Chairman asked who the on-call ones were?

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve the Personnel Action Requests from the Fire/Rescue Department as requested

Second: Selectman McGarry

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

The chairman stated that they had the MS-535 for Deerfield for the period ending December 31, 2019 and this is the governing body certification of the MS-35 expenditures and budget. The total revenues taken in and this is for last year, the estimated revenues taken in last year were \$15,297,271.00 and the actual revenues were \$15,298,098.00 so they surpassed their revenue estimate by a little bit, a little over \$1,000.00 better.

Motion: Selectman McGarry moves to accept the MS-535 and return to the Department of Revenue

Second: Selectman Dill

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

The chairman stated that while people were signing that, he would mention and folks might have seen this in the news, but Governor Christopher T. Sununu issued proclamation last week, he believed, on Friday, prohibiting the kindling of any open fire and smoking in or near woodlands in New Hampshire and given the dry climate, even with the potential rain this week, it is still a very valid concern and they absolutely need to reinforce no open fires.

Selectman Dill stated on the same subject and since they had talked about it last week, and never made a motion on it, do they want to do anything with outside water use?

The chairman stated that the only thing, and they could certainly do that per the RSA, pass a motion and he had discussed it with some of you last week, that he didn't know if it would be much more than a strong warning even if they didn't have any particular enforcement, given the personnel in place, or the mechanisms to enforce.

He didn't know what the Board's thoughts are. They could certainly ask it but he didn't have the RSA language in front of him but believed that it was 471:17, something like that.

Selectman Dill stated that they are getting some rain this week but with the amount of rain, and they are in an extreme drought right now, this is serious. We may get $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch of rain if they are lucky, but it doesn't make up for the amounts that they are drawing from wells right now.

He stated that he would like to do something even if it is not enforceable just to put out a proclamation to not water your lawn.

Chairman Robertson stated that they did do that several meetings ago. They didn't use the actual RSA language but certainly could reiterate that and he could prepare the RSA language for their next meeting. If they could make notice of that, he thought that it was already on the town website, if Mr. Harrington could just reenforce that and use the DES bulletin maybe, the most recent one which outlines how dire the situation is and also, he will outline the RSA requirements.

Selectman Dill stated that even though they are all drawing from wells, they are drawing from the same cracks.

Mr. Harrington stated that he would repost it so that it comes to the top of the list and add in the recent state bulletin that he sent all of them. That has good language.

Chairman Roberson stated that he didn't know if it was possible but maybe touch base with Kelly to see if she could possibly put that on her website and Facebook page too as people peruse Facebook more than the web.

Town Administrator's Report:

Mr. Harrington stated that he has several things tonight.

Circling back to Eversource questions and Harvey Road, he did some research and Eversource did attend a couple of Planning Board public hearings in March of this year and they discussed scenic road tree trimming on Bean Hill, Meetinghouse Hill Road, Candia Road, Cate Road, Perry Road, Whittier and Harvey Roads.

The Planning Board voted in favor to approve the cutting of trees and brush on scenic roads in Deerfield so there was a public hearing in which Harvey Road was mentioned.

He did contact his Eversource rep and talked about the EAB situation, the Emerald Ash Borer, and he told him that Eversource is aware of the problem and they are currently working with their arborist, Bob Bernier, and to address areas of infestation using approved techniques and he offered Bob's number in case anyone wanted to contact him directly but they are working on it currently.

He wanted to bring to their attention, a copy of a flyer that he put in their folder for an October 14th flu clinic which will be held at the Town Hall from 1-4 pm and this is being organized by Lamprey Health Care. He wanted to emphasize that these are free, adult flu shots and it is being coordinated locally by Denise Greig.

This is posted on the town webpage and their town Facebook with her phone number which is 603-463-8811 ext. 310. You can call her to reserve a time. They will be taking people by appointment to remain safe and separated so it is a great opportunity for folks to stay local if they are interested in getting a flu shot right here in town.

Further, he also handed out to the Board, folders with the liening/deeding information for them to review over the next week. Kelly Roberts will be attending the October 5th meeting to discuss it with the Board and ask the Board to sign or give her direction as to what or how to approach these folks on this list as to whether they get lien waivers or deeded.

Mr. Harrington asked if there were any questions for him.

Chairman Robertson asked if Mr. Harrington had heard back from Steve Keech and the design people regarding the police department property.

Mr. Harrington stated that he communicated with him two or three weeks ago to check in and the last that he told him was that the architect that they were working with was ready and almost done with his drawings for presentation. Mr. Harrington stated that he would make a note to call him tomorrow.

New or Unfinished Business:

Selectman McGarry stated that he was just driving by today the former P.K. Lindsay storage building and there was a sign that said, "Pete's Automotive Repair" and that is a change in use of that building and he would like to have the building inspector check into that.

It would normally require an appearance before the Planning Board for a site plan review on that change of use.

Mr. Harrington stated that he would have Rick check in.

Selectman McGarry continued that it appears that they have a separate driveway which he was sure that DOT would not approve it at.

Selectwoman McHugh stated that while they are checking on that, that they should check in regarding the two-story pet store. That hasn't been to the Planning Board has it to which Selectman McGarry stated that it hasn't.

Selectwoman McHugh stated that possibly when they get going, they would like to have a (couldn't understand) in there.

Mr. Harrington asked where it was and it was stated that it was where Lahr's Transmission was.

Selectwoman McHugh stated that she knew that the fire department and Rick have been in there for permits. She called the state, Steve Crocker's office, and they don't have any record of anybody licensing for a pet store.

The chairman asked for other unfinished or new business.

Vice Chairman Pitman asked how they were making out with Estella?

Mr. Harrington stated that they had heard nothing. He continued that the trail did get postponed. He didn't have a date.

Vice Chairman Pitman stated that another thing that he got approached about is, is there a process to make Old Centre Road, the oldest road in town, a scenic road? He told them that he had no idea.

Mr. Harrington stated that he has not heard anything about it but he believed that it would require a warrant to which the chairman agreed that it just has to go on the warrant and this Board could place it on the warrant or a petition can.

Vice Chairman Pitman stated that he would relay the message.

Selectman Dill stated that he had two things.

They had the election call the other day and went really well. Dan is fairly hopeful that they can get a third machine. The amount they did have, they said that we are fifteen on the list and they have 25 coming in. They should have a third machine.

He is asking if the Board could do something regarding having a police officer onsite the whole time.

Vice Chairman Pitman stated that he was told by the chief that there would be pd there the whole time and Selectman Dill stated that he was just relaying from the moderator. It is a concern.

The other thing that he had, and John if you could just find out where they are on paving numbers to see if they are going to have any money left over for the paving. There are a few really bad spots that he would like to just hit something on.

There is one on Griffin Road that has opened up just below Van Berkum's that he didn't know how they were going to plow that this winter without ripping it. It is already down to rock and the chairman stated that he would say the same way with the corner by the old cemetery on Haynes Road. It was destroyed by plows last winter and it won't fare well this winter.

Selectman Dill stated that they needed more than cold patch on some of these.

Mr. Harrington stated that what he would do is use the latest expense report and tell them what has come out of both the warrant article and the budget for road reconstruction and tell them what is left.

Selectman Dill stated that he didn't want to do it until they got done the paving but he would at least like to know that they have a plan to fix these, like in the next two months.

Mr. Harrington stated that he would get that out to the Board tomorrow.

Chairman Robertson stated that he would note that Evelyn DeCota called him today and normally New Hampshire holds a Central CROP Walk for Hunger and he thought that it was usually in Concord or Manchester and because of the COVID situation, the CROP Walk for Hunger organization has decided to have local towns hold their CROP Walk which is sort of a small walk-a-thon to raise funds for their organization to provide hunger relief.

They are planning on doing one in Deerfield on October 18th and they are meeting outside and doing the walk and wanted to know if there were any special permissions required. He thought that they were going to walk the basic 4 ½ to 5-mile loop around the center of town depending on what state the construction is in on October 18th.

Selectwoman McHugh asked that since she is using the roads, doesn't she have to get ahold of the police chief and the chairman stated that it would be a good idea to contact the police that this is something going on but that they didn't have any other particular requirements and she didn't have a firm idea.

He continued that he has looked at other towns that have done this earlier and fairly large towns had between 5 and 15 people. Hopefully they will have more but it seems to be a very low-key event.

Chairman called for other business.

Chairman Robertson stated that they don't have a scheduled non-public session at this time so he would look for Citizen's Comments.

Citizen's Comments:

None

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to adjourn at 6:16 pm

Second: Selectwoman McHugh

Discussion:

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Next Meeting: Monday, October 5, 2020 at 5:30 pm

*The Minutes were transcribed and respectfully submitted by Dianne L. Kimball, Recording Secretary
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