

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Select Board
Approved Minutes for Meeting of December 28, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.
Town Hall, 9 Main Street, Alstead, NH 03602

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Mary Ann Wolf; Joe Levesque; Joel McCarty

STAFF PRESENT: Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Kim Kercewich, Fire Chief; Jesse Moore, Ambulance Chief; Steve Murrell, Police Chief

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Glenn Elsesser; Rich Nalevanko; Marge Noonan; Barbara Viegner; Jude Willis; (in person) Gordon Kemp; Bobbie Wilson, Vilas Pool Committee (Google Meet)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Marge led in the Pledge of Allegiance

CALL TO ORDER: Mary Ann called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS: Signed payroll for \$23,680.25; Payroll tax payment \$6,582.28 and A/P for \$66,125.17. Signed timber warrant for report of cut.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of December 21, 2021: on a motion by Joe, seconded by Joel; ***the Board voted to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.*** Non-Public minutes of December 21, 2021: on a motion by Joe, seconded by Joel; ***the Board voted to approved the minutes as corrected. The motion passes unanimously.***

Warrant articles were reviewed and voted on whether to support or oppose.

Kim: Discussion took place on the quotes for pagers. Kim said the ones they have now are very old. Joel will check to see if ARPA funds would cover these costs. On a motion by Joel, seconded by Joe, ***the Board approved if ARPA funds would cover.*** If ARPA funds do not cover, the Board was in agreement with paying for them from 2022 budget.

- Mary Ann brought up Kim's budget and that they had changed the wages for the fire dept. from \$1.00/hr increase to a 4.1% increase like all the other employees. After some discussion, the Board agreed to have it changed back to \$1.00/hr.
- Mary Ann asked Kim about some damage she had heard about that happened to the Fire Truck. Kim said it happened on 10/8 and it wasn't reported because it was minor. Said the cost would be \$786.00 which is less than our deductible so the insurance wouldn't cover.

Steve: He wanted to know if he could take the amount, which is approximately \$3k, to pay for a portion of the police policy that is in the works. Charlotte advised the Board that the bottom line was very low and there was still one more week of payroll as well as a few other bills. The Board agreed to wait until that amount is calculated.

- The boxes for the AED's arrived but were only the empty boxes and not the AED's.

Jesse: Will have plenty of training on using the AEDs. Facebook Live, YouTube videos and in person training.

Joel: Will have a site visit tomorrow with engineers regarding the red listed bridges.

Mary Ann: Has been working on a paid time off policy with the help of Steve.

Charlotte: Asked about putting an ad in the paper for the executive position. Listing it on line is costly. The Board agreed for her to list on line at various places rather than the paper.

INFORMATIONAL:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

NON-PUBLIC SESSION: On a motion by Mary Ann, seconded by Joe; *the Board voted by roll call vote to enter into NPS pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a); RSA 91-A:3 II (e) at 6:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.*

On a motion by Mary Ann, seconded by Joel McCarty; *the Board voted to exit NPS and reconvened public meeting at 6:39 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.*

On a motion by Joe, seconded by Joel; *the Board voted to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,



Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator

The next Select Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 4th, 5:00 p.m. at the Town Hall