

The Alstead Board of Selectmen met in open session on Tuesday December 5, 2017 at 6:30 at the municipal offices. Members present were Tim Noonan and Alan Dustin. Rock Wilson was absent. Acting Chairman Noonan called the meeting to order at 6:30 and led the pledge of allegiance. Alan moved to accept the minutes as read, Tim second. Motion passed.

Mike Kercewich reported the road crew has been working on shoulder work on Walpole Valley Rd. There is 800-900 hundred yards of material in Kimiec's pit, and he is still waiting for an invoice from Kmiec's to pay. The Sterling needs new tires. He asked about purchasing the snow pusher and both Alan and Tim would like Rock's input first. The DPW hours were discussed. Mike reported they start at 6- 2:30 5 days a week during the winter and spring months. This reduces overtime hours when the crew is called in earlier than 6 for a storm. If the department starts at 7 and he calls them in early he will go through his overtime hours in the event we have a bad winter. The board disagreed with his hours. No decision was made to change. The board approved the wage increases but feels the new DPW director should have the final say about giving them or not.

There was discussion about culverts and Chris asked if any of these were on the Hazardous Mitigation Plan. Mike and Chris will review this. There was discussion about brush cutting and visibility. Mike reported the road crew does brush cutting.

Sarah Webb presented the 2018 conservation commission budget. To date they haven't submitted a wetland evaluation plan invoice, but they are requesting their 2018 budget remain the same as 2017.

Joe Levesque reported he and Kelly met and reviewed the USDA rural development grant and after reaching out to the USDA advisor the Town would need to become ADA compliant within 3 years if they received the grant. They also recommended the Town apply for the LED grant to help offset the cost of replacing the lights at the Town Barn. Joe will start the narrative application, Kelly will do the financials and Mike will work with Jack Fuller for a quote. The board agreed to apply for the LED grant also.

Chris Rietmann reported he spoke to NHDOT and there will be changes in the near future with how much grant money will be available.

Chris also reported he has a new tablet for EMS and the old one can still be used for \$10.00 a monthly if there is another department that could use it. Kelly will ask.

Security Camera's for the Town offices was discussed and Alan moved to order and install the security camera's. There was discussion about retention laws and storage. Kelly reported the police department was the one who highly recommended and researched this purchase.

The AABC gave the board a letter about wage reviews and asked if the board established a review policy. Tim answered the board will take in under advisement and the job descriptions are done. The AABC asked to see these. Kelly recommend the board and department heads first review them. The board agreed they had not seen these and would like to review them first.

The board reviewed Bruce Bellows requested warrant article to establish a new cemetery trust fund for maintenance with an opening balance of \$45,000 from unassigned fund balance. This is the

same amount that was transferred from the Cemetery Land Capital Reserve fund to the municipalities general fund by vote on March 14, 2017.

Alan reported he attended the Zoning Board meeting on Monday 12/4. The DeLotto variance didn't pass and he recommend the zoning board notify all abutters on the board's decision and if an appeal process is allowed. The Zoning Board will discuss this.

Kelly requested the board decide how they would like to proceed with December's agenda, finalize warrant articles and another working session during normal working hours. The board would like Rock's input before deciding.

Jodi Kercewich reported the sign from NH Beautiful is up and it will be educational to the taxpayers about everything the transfer station does. She and Junie Esslinger will be attending a training and cost analysis this month.

The board decided to not have a selectmen's meeting on Tuesday December 26, 2017.

Alan moved to adjourn, Tim seconded meeting adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly N Wright