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Meeting held at Town Office

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

06/25/2024

**Present were Timothy Bullard, Clayton Whittemore, Ricky Morin, Melissa Whitcomb, Erica Webb, and Brent Lanpher**

1. Tim opened the meeting at 6:03pm
2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda: None
3. Beach Update: Erica Webb filled the Selectboard in on an incident with a camper from last weekend. Someone had been out on the lake in the early morning hours on Father's Day being loud and causing a disruption to fellow campers. Once it was realized that he was from one of the campsites and continuing with the behavior, a decision was made to cancel the remainder of his stay and he was asked to leave. Erica also asked the Board for clarification on some of the rules and expectations for the Lake Eden Rec Area. The policy will be reviewed and updated.
4. Animal Control Officer Update: None
5. Citizens Input: None
6. Health Officer Update: There was a report of a cat bite sent from an Urgent Care facility. Faye Cochran attempted to follow up with the parent but has received no response as of now.
7. Signed Orders (5)
8. Minutes: Review minutes of 6/03/24 & 6/11/24 and Ricky motioned to approve both as written. Clayton seconded, approved.
9. Highway Department Update:
  - a) ROW Permit: A permit application for Eustis Cable was reviewed for Cooper Hill Road. The Board took a few minutes to drive to Cooper Hill and inspect the site. There have been ongoing issues with prior work done by Comcast's 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractors where lines were not installed to town specs and are continuously exposed any time there is heavy rain. The Board declined to sign at this time and discussed another area of concern on Knowles Flat Road that was agreed to be addressed this Spring and has not been. Ricky is going to contact Norm at Pike to inquire as to whether Eustis has been in contact to set up a contract to fix the pavement once the lines in that location are reinstalled properly.
  - b) Review Quotes for Blakeville Bridge Engineering: The Selectboard continues to have questions regarding the quotes and Melissa will reach out to the bidders for more information.
  - c) The road crew finished cutting brush along the roadsides with the rented excavator. The Selectboard signed a contract for JBWood Excavating for some work on Camp Road. Contracts are needed by the Town's insurer as proof of nonemployment.
10. Ratify Additions and Deletions: None
11. Grant Update: None
12. Other Business:
  - a) 24/25 Pay Scale/Rates were reviewed and adjusted by the Board. Ricky abstained from the discussion regarding his pay.
  - b) Brent Lanpher came with an updated quote for some tools needed for the new Fire Truck. The topic has been discussed previously and Hyde Park has recently committed to their half of the payment. Clayton asked that all future purchases other than emergencies be included in the Fire Dept. budget for the year. Ricky motioned to approve spending \$23007.50 out of the New Equipment Fund to pay Eden's share. Tim seconded, approved. Tim signed the loan agreement for the new Western Star. The loan was previously discussed and agreed to on 10/12/23 during a special meeting.
  - c) Clerk's Office Addition Update: Tim has been in contact with an architect and hopes to have solid plans for the next meeting. The Board hopes to get bids out and returned in the next 6 weeks or so. Discussion was had about the current phone system and potential plans for the future as they are no longer working properly. Ideally, a plan will be in place so that any new wiring can be completed during construction of the addition. Melissa has been unsuccessful in finding a local company to look at the system and/or lines.
13. FYI:
14. Clayton motioned to adjourn at 9:26pm. Ricky seconded, adjourned.