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In attendance: Selectboard Chair Howard Hall, Selectboard Member Zach weaver, Town Clerk & Treasurer Maggie McCormick

Via Zoom: Sharon Ashcraft

Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 27, 2023

1) Howard called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

2) Additions/deletions to agenda: None.

3) Approval of the minutes of the February 13, 2023, February 27, 2023, and March 13, 2023 Selectboard meetings
   a) Howard moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 and March 13, 2023. Zach seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.
   b) The minutes of the February 27, 2023 were tabled.

4) Emergency Management Coordinator's Report
   a) The Hazard Mitigation Planning Survey has been submitted
   b) The Local Emergency Management Plan has been submitted to the state through the ACRPC. The ACRPC will let us know when it is accepted.
   c) Progress being made on LHMP. Still identifying hazards.
   d) Spring is here post published in Front Porch Forum.
   e) Water levels are up from snowmelt, also causing a high volume of water flow in Otter Creek and other water courses.

5) Hazen Road Town Hall exterior painting estimate
   a) The estimate is $17,000 and specifies Benjamin Moore paint. Hazen Road is certified to work with lead paint.
   b) Painting RFP
      i) Howard moved to approve the RFP for publication. Zach seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.

6) Website payment fees

a) The new website will use vendor Stripe to process online payments.
b) The clerk checked with VLCT: it is permissible for the Town to pass these fees on to those using the online payment services. It is not permissible to impose extra fees on those who do not use the online forum.
c) Howard moved to that the Town pass the vendor fee on to the user. Zach seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.

7) Public comment
   a) Sharon Ashcraft let the Selectboard know that the coordinates for South Road Trail are confirmed by AOT and ACRPC and can be clearly seen on Google maps.
   b) There was discussion around the western end of the trail and whether it is passable.

8) Communications
   a) Zach moved to contract with Homeward Bound at $450 for the year with each stray from Panton brought to the shelter at the cost of $75 versus $600 with no per-stray fee. Howard seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.
   b) The clerk provided signature documents for appointments made at the March 13 Selectboard meeting

9) Review/approval of accounts payable warrant, timesheets & payroll warrant
   a) Howard moved to accept the warrants and timesheets. Zach seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.

10) Executive session to discuss personnel matters
   a) Howard moved to enter executive session. Zach seconded. All in favor; the board entered executive session at 5:57 p.m.
   b) Zach moved to exit executive session. Howard seconded. All in favor; the board returned to open session at 6:36 p.m.

11) Adjournment
   a) Zach moved to adjourn the meeting. Howard seconded. All in favor; the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie McCormick

Clerk & Treasurer