

Town of Livermore

Board of Selectpersons

February 23, 2015

MINUTES

Present: Rod Newman, Peter Castonguay, Mark Chretien, Megan Dion, Tim Kachnovich

- Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

- Approval of the minutes of February 9, 2015, meeting

A motion was made by Rod Newman to approve the minutes as presented; second by Tim Kachnovich. Vote unanimous.

- Reports

Highway Foreman

- GMC is back but has another issue. The electric fan motor that does the burn-offs is not working. Roger questioned whether we should we look into replacing the Ford and the GMC as both vehicles are now costing the Town a substantial amount of money for repairs. Roger will look into cost for a road truck and a one-ton. He has looked at a Peterbilt 337. Will look at the Cummings engine. He had checked on an International Terrastar, but they have had issues with wiring.
- There was discussion on the size of the trucks and the inability of the road trucks to get into some of the smaller roads. We had to call Collins this winter because the Ford was stuck on the Wyman Road. On the Wyman Road, the property owner had built a shed in the turnaround so they can no longer plow with the road trucks. There was consensus to start the process to stop plowing private roads. Carrie will research how to do this.
- There was discussion on washing the trucks.
- Roger reported that the Case backhoe's brakes are almost gone. Carrie will call Dave Barker to see if he can work on the brakes and rear bushings. Roger stated the in his opinion no more money should be allocated to this piece of equipment as the road committee recommended two years ago to not put more money into it.
- The furnace at the Highway Garage has a cracked heat chamber. They now have a carbon monoxide detector in place. Carrie will contact a contractor (Ranor) with Efficiency Maine to get pricing on a replacement HVAC system versus a "regular" furnace.
- The JCB backhoe still needs to have the remaining work completed: front bushings and pin, twister wrist, and transmission work (slipping). It will need loader arms if we can't find a welder willing to certify the welds. Jim Foster from Nitco has submitted the pictures to JCB and is waiting for a response from them as to whether or not they will be willing to remedy the situation
- The rims cracked on the 2007 International this weekend. There were spares in the garage and they will need to be replaced.
- The road crew received a nice thank you from the Hicks'

Treasurer Report

- Excise tax update: less than February last year; but does not include the Ted Berry fleet
- Amy and Carrie sent out 30-day foreclosure notices; there are still 17 outstanding; this Friday, February 27, 2015, is the last day people can pay with a personal check. After that date people will have to pay with cash or bank check. The foreclosure date is the close of business on March 9, 2015.
- The Worker's Comp audit has been completed with no issues.
- TRIO is now tracking hours, comp, vacation and sick time on employees pay stubs.

Administrative Report

- Carrie presented documentation to write-off the personal property tax that is more than three years old.

A motion was made by Rod Newman to abate uncollected personal property tax that is more than three years outstanding; second by Peter Castonguay. Vote: unanimous.

- Carrie reported on the Anthem data breach. Employees who use the Town's health insurance are eligible for free identity theft protection through Anthem. Employees have been notified.
 - The town office will be getting a new copier as the current lease is set to expire in June.
 - Carrie provided a FEMA update on the Blizzard of 2015.
 - A payment request for the safety grant has been submitted to MMA.
 - The planning board meeting last week was cancelled due to a lack of agenda.
 - A hearing on the Carriage House Café was held Thursday, February 19, 2015.
 - Carrie is working on an evaluation tool for town employees.
 - The FY 2016 budget is coming along.
 - Carrie received the County Tax certificate for signature. There was an increase of more than \$7,000 from last year. She would like to hold it for a bit, as there is still controversy about the county budget.
- Old business
 - Community Center Lease – Tabled
 - New business

There was discussion on replacing the salt shed. Carrie needs to research requirements for funding reimbursement and determine price comparisons of sand/salt shed versus just salt shed replacement. Peter will get name and phone numbers to Carrie for concrete company and prefab shed company. Amy will run loan costs for comparisons.

Carrie will put an ADA statement on website.

- Public Comment

Mr. Hines provided public comment.

- Adjourn

A motion to adjourn at 7:10 pm was made by Rod Newman; second by Megan Dion. Vote: unanimous.

