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Regular Meeting at 6:00pm

12/12/23

Present: Clayton Whittemore, Ricky Morin, Maralena Stevens, Leslie White,
Melissa Whitcomb, and Teleia Pastore

1. Ricky opened the meeting at 6:05pm.
2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda: None.
3. Health Officer Update: Ricky and Clayton discussed Act 181 and its impact on the Town Health Officer position. Mostly, the THO will respond to complaints, investigate, and contact the appropriate authorities going forward. Maralena Stevens was at the meeting so the Board could meet her as a THO candidate, but because Tim Bullard was not present (he was home sick), the Board agreed that Tim would call her and ask his questions separate from the SB meeting. The Board will make the THO decision next week with a full SB.
4. Citizens Input:
 - For several years we have been carrying about \$365 in the lunch fund. The Board decided to give it to Eden Youth Sports to use as seed money for fundraising.
 - For the last few years, the Beach has been making a profit and has accumulated money. Ideas for using the money were discussed: adding individual meters at the campground, improving internet at the beach, paying the beach managers more, creating a Beach Reserve, paying for milfoil mitigation.
 - The Board discussed what/how to use the ARPA money.
5. Animal Control Officer Update: None
6. 911 Update: The Board discussed the State's recommendations for addresses on Cooper Hill and VT Route 100. Melissa will reach out to the affected resident on Cooper Hill for more information.
7. The Board signed five (5) orders.
8. Minutes of 11/28/23 and the Special Meeting of 12/5/23 at the Fire Department will be reviewed next week.
9. Highway Department
 - a) Ricky is going to call Pike to make sure Eustis Cable has contacted them to arrange signing the quote for fixing Knowles Flat Road in the spring.
 - b) Update of Other Activities:
 - 1) The Highway Department has been plowing and sanding. Most of the issues with the machinery have been taken care of.
 - 2) Ricky said he arranged for the proper tires for the new truck coming soon. Charlebois will cover the difference in cost.
 - 3) Ricky will find out about getting cameras installed in the trucks.
10. Ricky motioned to ratify the Additions & Deletions of 11/28/23. Clayton seconded, approved.

11. Grant Update/Discussion:

- The Town received a \$25k grant from the Lamoille County Planning Commission and New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission for Lake Eden's Eurasian watermilfoil problem for the summer of 2024.
- Teleia had to make a small adjustment to the FEMA Roads throughout Eden award from the flood of 2019.
- Teleia met with Melissa Manka from MTAP to discuss grant opportunities.
- The VT Better Roads grant application is due Friday. Ricky will get Teleia a price for the culvert.
- The Town of Eden was also awarded \$65k from the Gary Sinise Foundation to pay for the Eden/North Hyde Park Fire Department's new air packs (the old ones were end of life).

12. Budget Update: We need to start working on this.

13. Other Business: None.

14. Beach Update: None.

15. FYI:

- a) Fire Department Update: Received \$42k quote for battery powered jaws of life.
- b) Update on Reappraisal Order: None.
- c) VEC Filing: They will soon begin work on their property.
- d) Other: We were given cookies by Community Bank.

16. Clayton motioned to adjourn at 8:25pm. Ricky seconded, approved.

Teleia Pastore, Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer