

REGULAR SELECTBOARD MEETING-THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2021 AT 5:30PM

Present: Steve Barrup, Jerry Waterman, Richard Gosselin, Mike Baraw, Denise Daigle, Steve and Ann Edgerley, Effie Brown, Bob Best, Mike Mainer, Teresa Gerabe, Barry Sahagian, Jayne Sahagian, Norm Patenaude, Becky Therrien, Mike Strait, Wendy Matthews, Jennifer Harlow

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Steve called the meeting to order at 5:30PM and introduced those present. Rick read the ground rules for conducting the meeting.

Appearances by local citizens/visitors – Jayne Sahagian stated that she had issues with the 2 former day care buildings owned by Creative Real estate as well as a home beside the day care. Steve Edgerley gave an update on what he has been doing with regard to the 2 former day care buildings. Barry Sahagian talked about a culvert on his property.

NEK Broadband representatives were discussed – The board appointed Wendy Matthews as our representative and Dave Ghelli and CJ Thompson as alternates.

The board signed the sheriff's contract for 2021. Rick mentioned to Jennifer Harlow an issue we are having with a car being parked at the former day care building on the corner of route 105 and Vance Hill. A car is being parked in the state's ROW and is obstructing view of vehicles coming off of Vance Hill Road. Jennifer stated she will look into this.

DUMP/Lake issues – Effie Brown and Teresa Gerabe discussed issues with Lake Memphremagog. Teresa stated that they had approximately 3300 signatures on their petition so far. The board chair applauded the organizations efforts. The organization asked the board to write a letter of support in designating the Lake as a lake in crisis. This will be further discussed by the board.

Water/Sewer/Solar panel report – Steve made a motion to adopt the water ordinance and schedule of water rates, seconded by Rick. Some discussion followed. The water board chair stated that she had reviewed this and saw no issues. This passed on a voice vote. Mike stated that HAS #1 had failed/collapsed. Mike did get a quote from Manosh for a new well. Manosh did access our failed well and tried to repair this well. The board asked Denise and Mike to reach out to our engineers for their opinion/recommendation with regard to this situation. Mike received a letter from the state to apply for an indirect discharge permit. Mike stated that this is a good thing. We have sent this over to A and E to see if this is something that they can take care of for us. Mike stated that we received only one bid for the water line repair project from Dan Pepin. The board authorized Mike to proceed with this as soon as possible.

Road Commissioner Report – Mike stated that we received a written quote for gravel crushing, but he did receive verbal quotes from Simpson and Kingdom Gravel. The board authorized Mike, upon his recommendation, to go with Kingdom Gravel at \$4.50 per yard for crushing. Regarding the repair to the railroad crossing on the Cross Road, Mike has been in contact with the railroad. They stated they are not in a position to repair these, but would help us if we

wanted to work with them to get this done. Jerry stated that he and Denise met with the state for our yearly highway meeting and all went well. Paving bids for 2021 were received as follows: Pike Industries - \$59.20 per ton Gray's Paving - \$74.00 per ton J. Hutchins, Inc - \$70.00 per ton Jerry made a motion to award the paving to Pike Industries for the end of Lake Road only, seconded by Rick and passed on a voice vote.

Lawn care bids for 2021 were received as follows: Town properties – Knight property maintenance - \$3800.00 NEK Elite - \$7000.00 Peak View Property Care - \$8845.00 Route 100 Cemetery bids: Peak View Property Care - \$2500.00 (this does not include spring and fall cleanup – there was no price for that on bid) Knight property maintenance - \$4200.00 Jerry made a motion to award the lawn care bids for the town properties and the cemetery for 2021 to Knight property maintenance, seconded by Rick and passed on a voice vote.

Jerry made a motion to accept the proposal and contract from CAI technologies, seconded by Rick. Some discussion followed. This passed on a voice vote.

The board signed orders, reviewed and approved bank statement and journal entries.

Unfinished/new business – none

Voted to adjourn at 7:20PM.