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Selectmen Meeting 11/23/2021
Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen Kate Batcheller, Charles Moser, Peter McGinnity; Jen Tenney – Admin Asst

Members of the public: Daryl Scott, Brenda Wiley, Debra Morrison, Dave Morrison

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chair Pete McGinnity, attendance was taken by roll call as reflected above.

Approvals:

- Noted that the accounts payable and payroll manifests had been reviewed and approved prior to the meeting.
- Minutes of 11/9/2021 BOS-PD staff meeting, Charlie motioned to approve as written, second from Pete. Roll call vote Charles-aye, Pete-aye, Kate-aye.
- Minutes of 11/9/2021 BOS-budget meeting, Pete motioned to approve with changes, second from Kate. Roll call vote Charles-aye, Pete-aye, Kate-aye.
- Minutes of 11/9/2021 BOS meeting, Charlie motioned to approve as written, second from Pete. Roll call vote Charles-aye, Kate-aye, Pete-aye.
- Minutes of 11/18/2021 BOS meeting, Charlie motioned to approve as written, second from Pete. Roll call vote Charles-aye, Kate-aye, Pete-aye.

New Business:

- Jen to have groundskeeper Wally Brown replace rotted wood on the railings into the Mann House
- Scipps Lane concern from Chuck Anderson regarding water runoff and wetlands – This was discussed earlier with Road Agent Dave Morrison during the Highway staff meeting. Based on his report, Selectmen find there is little impact of any additional waterflow. Road Agent Dave Morrison will continue to monitor this situation.
- Conservation Commission have asked if they can donate the cut wood from Eversource. Selectmen agree that since it is on their property, they are able to take care of it as they see fit.
- Eversource rates appear to be in line and appropriate. It is noted that the Fire Department usage has increased a lot. Kate will contact Eversource to look for a

reason for this. Daryl Scott pointed out that the Fire Department usage does increase when there are more calls for the Fire Department. There are also demand charges from Eversource that get applied.

- Brenda Wiley has looked into a 457(b) plan for town employees. The current annuity plan does not have a cost to the town, however, employees are not able to contribute on their own to the plan. The 457(b) plan will cost the town \$2000 annually but would allow the employees to personally contribute to their accounts. Kate motioned to approve moving forward with setting up the proposed 457(b) plan to replace the current Town of Mason annuity plan, second from Charlie. Roll call vote Charles-aye, Pete-aye, Kate-aye.
 - Brenda to add the annual \$2000 into the 2022 budget.
- Pete motioned to approve the updated employee personnel manual with an effective date of 12/1/21, second from Kate. Roll call vote Charles-aye, Pete-aye, Kate-aye.
- The Public Hearing for the 2022 budget will be held on 1/11/22.
- Tax bills were printed.

Public Forum:

- Daryl Scott asked permission for the Mason Energy Commission to have access to heating bills. Selectmen approved. Brenda will send Daryl the information for the 2020 & 2021 heating bills.

Non-Public:

* Motion to enter Non-public session made by Pete, seconded by Kate by reason of:

- RSA91-A:3,II (a) *The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.*

Roll call vote to enter non-public session – Pete-aye, Charlie-aye, Kate-aye. Entered non-public session at 8:07p.

Motion to return to public session made by Pete, second from Kate, returned at 8:21p. Motion from Pete, second by Charlie, to seal the minutes to protect reputation of someone other than a member of the board. Roll call vote to seal the minutes Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, Peter-aye.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Pete motioned to adjourn, second from Charlie. Kate-aye, Charles-aye, Peter-aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Tenney

BOS Administrative Assistant