### **Select Board Minutes**

Date: February 1, 2022

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Multi-Purpose Room / Zoom

Next Meeting: February 8, 2022

Minutes: Approved as presented

Present: Jane Dyer, Richard Doughty, Brian Haynes, Dina Walker, Becky

Vining, Ernestine Hutchinson, Linda Healey and Carol Cochran

## **Department Heads:**

No Department heads present

Culvert near Masterman Cemetery on Center Hill Road was frozen. Brian will call Steve O'Brien on Wednesday.

# New Business Land Use Fee Schedule:

Land Use Permit schedule presented to Select Board by CEO Michael Stephenson.

Brian suggested to remove the 200 Sq feet to 500 Sq feet at \$35.

After some discussion it was decided to approve the following fee schedule:

#### Residence:

| 100 Sq feet - 500 Sq feet                       | - \$25   |
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| 501+ Sq feet                                    | - \$100  |
| Commercial Building                             | - \$250  |
| Permit for removal of dead/hazardous tree       | - \$25   |
| Permit for Camper Trailer within Shoreland Zone | ∍ - \$20 |
| After the fact Permit                           | - \$250  |
| Subdivision Permit                              | - \$300  |

Dina moved to accept the amended fees that were presented by the CEO. Brian 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it was passed unanimously.

## **Franklin County Animal Shelter Contract:**

The contract was signed for the ensuing year with the Franklin County Animal Shelter in the amount of \$827.

## ANDROSCOGGIN VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS MUNICIPAL DUES:

The contract was signed for the ensuing year with AVCOG in the amount of \$2,025.28

### **TOWN MEETING:**

- 2022 Budget Review The Budget Committee has gone through the budget figures line by line and has finalized the budget. Richard said that we are in good shape with no equipment payments and have increased the Surplus. The Budget Committee's goal was to keep the budget close to last year's budget. There are some Departments that have increased expenditures and others have decreased. Overall, the budget is less than last year's budget.
- Final recommendations for spending of the ARPA funds. To date we have received \$22,046.47 and another payment will be sent later this year.

Select Board need to make decisions on how to use the ARPA money and it will need to be voted on at Town Meeting. We need to have two articles, one to accept the money, and another to say how we will spend it.

One way to use part of the money is for loss of revenue. Brian has done a spreadsheet on ways that the money could be used for premium pay to the employees. Another way is to purchase a replacement generator for the TOPO building.

 Update on the outcome of the WAC working session and a plan for moving forward.

There was a discussion on whether or not to have an article in the Town Meeting Warrant to take a straw vote to see what the Town thinks of the

purpose of the Town Tower Ordinance and see if the Town thinks they should go forward with it before spending money in legal fees.

The Tower Ordinance for Commercial projects will not be ready for this year to be voted on.

• ARPA (America Rescue Program Act Funds) Wording of Article will be completed by next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Cochran

Town Clerk