

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 17, 2014

At the Regular Meeting held on Monday, March 17, 2014 at the Hopkinton Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Wood, Councilpersons Lyon, Sochia, Crump, Potter.

OTHERS PRESENT: Stephen Green Hwy Supt., Clerk French, Allen Fukes Code Officer & Assessor, Ronald Streeter, Annette Green, Georgia Macy, Victor Barboas Courier-Observer, Brenda Nicholson, Jed Engles.

Supervisor Wood called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 on p.m.

Ms Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to accept minutes of Regular Meeting held on February 10, 2014 as presented. Adopted unanimously.

Ms Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Crump to approve the Supervisors Financial Report for January and February 2014 as presented. Adopted unanimously.

Voucher Nos. 63 to 102 General Fund Abstract 3 in the amount of \$32,261.37 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 22 to 33 Highway Fund Abstract 3 in the amount of \$16,786.96 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 4 BHLS Health Center Fund Abstract 3 in the amount of \$425.00 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 1 Building Fund Abstract 1 in the amount of \$7,190.00 was audited and approved by the Board. Supervisor Wood commented that the bill from IBC for boots in General Fund was submitted before the deadline of Board decision to not allow employees to charge at vendor.

Ms Potter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Crump to pay the bills. Adopted unanimously.

Privilege of the Floor:

Jed Engles approached the Board in regards to starting a used car and repair shop on a property he is purchasing on SH 11B. He stated there will be no junk cars located on the lot. Mr. Fukes, Code Officer, stated that the town has no zoning or planning so as long as state permits are obtained and any local permits for building are acquired there should be no problem.

Correspondence:

Hopkinton-Ft. Jackson Fire Dept: notifying the Town Board that Richard Daby was named the St. Lawrence County 2014 Firefighter of the year. The members of the Hopkinton-Ft. Jackson Fire Department and the St. Lawrence County Chiefs' Association will hold a dinner in his honor on May 17 at the Parishville Fireman's Hall. Supervisor Wood will prepare a proclamation to be presented to him at the banquet.

St. Lawrence County Treasurer: regarding Second Notice Fee. Ms Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to continue setting the second notice fee at \$2.00. Adopted unanimously.

St. Lawrence County Treasurer: Workers' Compensation Claims Liability, as of December 31, 2013.

Old Business:

Proposed Town Office: Supv. Wood updated the Board on the proposed office/court. The plans are nearly ready. There still needs to be a property survey done to determine exactly where the property line is along the Circle Drive, a line that extends from the adjacent Church. They also needed a fire rating for vault. Code Officer, Allen Fukes, stated that a fire rating of 2 would be sufficient. Mr. Fukes will check in Canton to see if there is a survey of the property on file.

Community Garden: The Board discussed this and approved the garden. Supervisor Wood will write Carlyn McKee a letter notifying her and also to let her know that she will have to meet with Councilperson Potter to go over the location of where the garden will be located.

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Wood Bids: Supervisor Wood opened the sealed bids and read aloud:

Chadwick Phippen \$275.00

Duane French \$755.00

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to award the bid to Duane French in the amount of \$755.00.

Adopted unanimously.

Town Hall Steps: Ms Lyon reported that she received a price quote from Coots Masonry in the amount of \$6525.26 to completely remove and replace the concrete landing of the Town Hall. New footers would be installed, he will reinstall the railings and any shrubbery that has to be moved would be replanted topsoil and grass seed. He will also remove and haul away all debris. The Board reviewed his proposal.

Ms Potter made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to hire Coots Masonry to replace the concrete landing of the Town Hall in the amount of \$6525.26. Adopted unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Supervisors Report: Supv. Wood reported that she is working on nominating the Summer Fest for an award through the APA.

Code Enforcement: Mr. Fukes reported he has three permits pending so far for 2014.

Assessor: Mr. Fukes explained the new Veterans Exemption for schools. A religious exemption on a property in Ft. Jackson will be removed this year. The property has not been used for religious purposes for years and is also inhabitable.

Museum: Mrs. Wood reported that the Maple Festival will be held on March 29.

Library: Brenda Nicholson reported that they will be holding the Book Battle in May.

Highway & Safety: Mr. Green presented a written report. Mr. Green also reported to the Board that the 2009 Sterling is again in the garage for radiator repairs. This is the fifth time this truck has been in for repairs and we have spent over 12,000.00. He has repeatedly tried to contact the dealer, Tracey Road Equipment, and they do not return his calls. He has contacted the company also to see if there was ever a recall on this problem. On March 13 a rep from Daimler sent an email to Tracey Road Equipment in regards to this problem. In 2009 they knew there was a problem with the upper mounting when the radiator was replaced, but this info was never passed on. Mr. Green also reported that the Town of Clare has the same truck with the same problem. The Board asked the Supervisor to contact the Town Attorney and see if there was something we could do in regards to this matter.

Fire and Rescue: Mr. Crump reported on the calls monthly calls, responses to the calls and training hours. He also reported that Tri-Town Rescue had a total of 150 calls in February 5 of them were in the Town of Hopkinton.

Town Facilities: Ms Lyon reported that there was a water leak in the bathroom of town office. She has repaired it and also replaced the faucets on the sink and hooked the hot water back up.

Food Pantry: Georgia Macy reported that Olga Trieller and Jean Murray held an American Girl Tea Party and all proceeds were donated to the Food Pantry.

BHLS Health Center: Mr. Sochia reported that the new furnace is still not installed.

New Business:

Rabies Clinic: Clerk French reported that there will be a rabies clinic on June 12 at the Tri-Town Community Building. This will be sponsored by the towns of Hopkinton, Brasher and Lawrence.

Shredding Price Quote: Clerk French reported that she received a price from Bill Shepard on cost for shredding documents. They will shred on site. The cost is \$60.00 for a 95 pound container and no contract. We just have

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to call a couple of weeks ahead to set-up and appointment with him.

Ms Potter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Crump to use the services of Bill Shepard for shredding purposes. Adopted unanimously.

Purchase Contract on 2014 Mack Truck/Viking Plow: Supervisor Wood reported that she had received the paperwork from the bank that will be financing the new truck, Kansas State Bank. She sent the packet to the attorney for his review. He reported that everything looks to be in order.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to allow the Supervisor to sign all paperwork and return to Kansas State Bank for the financing of the 2014 Mack Truck and Plow Equipment. Adopted unanimously.

Court Grant: Supervisor Wood reported that she applied for another court grant and received \$1700.00 for the purchase of office furniture. She has deposited it in the Building Fund.

Executive Session: Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Ms Potter to go into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss Union Grievances. Highway Superintendant Green was asked to stay. Adopted unanimously.

Regular meeting resumed at 8:34 p.m.

Ms. Potter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia that the Board agreed in Executive Session on a response to the union grievances. Adopted unanimously.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Vickie French