

Town of Colrain
Select Board Meeting
55 Main Road/Town Office Building
5:30 P.M.
MINUTES OF February 5, 2018

Present: Jack Cavolick, Eileen Sauvageau, and Mark Thibodeau

Others Present Kevin Fox- Town Coordinator, Colleen Worden-Office Clerk, Highway Superintendent Scott Sullivan, Joe Kurland, Thom Griffin, Jackson McCloud-Atlantic Canna

Mark Thibodeau opened the meeting at 5:30

New Business:

Animal Control Officer Designation/Appointment:

The State is requiring the town to make an annual appointment of the Animal Control Officer. Kevin has spoken to the current ACO and she has agreed to continue.

MOVED: Jack Cavolick moved to sign the required documents to appoint Danielle Grenier as ACO and to sign the necessary documents to recognize the former ACO. Eileen Sauvageau seconded. Voted unanimous.

Old Business:

Highway Department Operator/Laborer Position:

Scott Sullivan attended the meeting as the board requested with his recommendation for the Highway Department Operator/Laborer Position. Scott and Kevin Fox are recommending that the board hire Brett Roberts on a 6 month probationary period with a pay rate of \$16.00 per hour until all licenses are obtained, at which time the rate will increase to \$16.50.

MOVED: Jack Cavolick moved to hire Brett Roberts for the position on the Highway Department on a 6 month probationary period at a rate of \$16.00. Should Mr. Roberts obtain the proper license within the probationary period his appointment would become permanent at a rate of \$16.50/hr. Eileen Sauvageau seconded. Voted unanimous.

Unanticipated at
Time of posting:

Accountant Termination:

Kevin gave a termination notice last Friday, February 2, 2018 to the Town's Accountant Justin Cole (Baystate Municipal Accounting). Kevin informed the board that he is recommending the Board appoint another Town accountant; Mr. Dave Fierro, Mr. Fierro is currently the Auditor for the city of North Adams, He has agreed to the position on a month to month basis.

MOVED: Eileen Sauvageau moved to hire Dave Fierro as our new Town accountant on a month to month basis. Jack Cavolick seconded. Voted unanimously.

Atlantic Canna:

Jackson McCloud attended the meeting to give the board an update on the cannabis project his company has been working on. Mr. McCloud questioned the board about obtaining a host agreement. Discussion ensued. It was decided that the select board will have to do quite a bit of research on Host Agreements before any decisions can be made.

Adamsville Rd. Culvert Engineering Proposal:

Kevin informed the board that there has been an approximately \$7,000.increase in the engineering proposal for the Adamsville Road Culvert and is asking for the board's approval.

MOVED: Jack Cavolick moved to increase the contract for the Adamsville Road Culvert from \$81,020 to \$88,740. Mark Thibodeau seconded. Voted unanimously.

Highway Garage Update:

Kevin informed the board that the Highway Garage is very close to being finished and the final inspections will be done soon. He also suggested there should be a Grand Opening in the spring.

Broadband Update:

The planning is largely done and things are moving slow and steady.

3 Main Road:

Kevin stated that the demolition application permit has been applied for and that the town is entitled to any proceeds that the owner receives.

Fire Station Update:

Kevin sated that Mr. Rainville has not gotten back to him yet.

Glider Kit:

Scott Sullivan attended the meeting to give the board an update on his request for a Glider Kit.

Approval of meeting

Minutes:

MOVED: Jack Cavolick moved to approve the meeting minutes of 1-8-18, and 1-22-18. Mark Thibodeau seconded. Voted unanimous.

Transfer Station:

Kevin informed the board that he has received a complaint concerning the employees at the transfer station removing returnable cans from the dumpster. Discussion ensued. It was decided that the employees could take the returnable cans from the 55 gallon containers that are set out for that purpose on their own time but could not remove any from roll off box. There was also a discussion concerning items that are being left on the wall by the metal container that are intended to be repurposed. Scott would like to discontinue that practice as he feels people are leaving things that they do not want to pay to get rid of. Discussion ensued. Eileen Sauvageau proposed that the town charge a fee for unwanted

things to be left on the wall and they would be free for anyone to take. The board agree to charge a fee for reusable items.

Jack Cavolick moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting closed at 7:55

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Worden
Office Clerk

Accepted by the Board of Selectmen

Eileen Sauvageau

Mark Thibodeau-chairman

Jack Cavolick

Documents

The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources

David Fierro-Hill Town Accounting Services