

Town of Colrain
Select Board Meeting
55 Main Road/Town Office Building
3:00 P.M.
MINUTES OF February 8, 2017

Present: Mark Thibodeau, Jack Cavolick, Eileen Sauvageau

Others Present Colleen Worden Office Clerk, Kevin Fox – Town Coordinator, Bill Stathis-Crocker Communications, Lynn Ditullio, Rebecca Tippens, Fran Ryan, Paula Harrison, Nancy Turkle, Brad Brigham, Darren Ducharme-ET&L, Kevin Worden II, James Martin, and Tim Slowinski, and Joe Kurland

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jack Cavolick at 3:00

Appointments

Darren Ducharme ET&L Corp:

Darren Ducharme and Brad Brigham attended the meeting to address a complaint regarding the work being done on town property next to the school.

Kevin Fox received a complaint from a resident complaining that there is work being done on town property between the river and the school. Kevin visited the Ma. DOT office on Jacksonville Rd. It turns out work was being done by ET&L Corps. the contractor working on the bridge replacement. There was a discussion on who actually owns the land and who should claim liability, it was decided that the town owns the road and the Brigham family owns land adjacent and has a right of way. Brad Brigham stated that his family has been taking care of the land for years and is leasing there property to ET&L corp. while the bridge is being rebuilt. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Board would give Mr. Brigham permission to use the road and advised Mr. Brigham to inform the Conservation Commission of any excavation being done on that property.

Request To Hold a Boot Drive- Colrain Firefighters Association:

The Colrain firefighters Association attended to ask the Boards permission to hold a Boot drive in front of Pine Hill Orchards.

MOVED: Eileen Sauvageau moved to approve the Firefighters Boot Drive. Mark Thibodeau seconded. Voted unanimous.

Bill Stathis-Crocker Communications Highway Dept. Internet Connection & MBI RFP:

Bill Stathis attended the meeting to give an update on his firm's response to the MBI RFP. There was a discussion regarding the different internet hook up options that might be available to home owners. Bill stated that Crocker has a meeting with MBI on Friday and will update Kevin on Monday. Bill also suggested that Board understand the grant process to get an understanding on what Colrain will receive for money.

Bill also suggested that the least costly way to solve the internet problem at the Highway Garage would be to go with a satellite provider such as Hughes Net. The Select board directed Kevin to contact MBI requesting direction on applying for the release of grant funds,

Letter from Bill Ennen from Masstech:

There was a discussion on the email Kevin received from Bill Ennen. Bill will provide an updated spread sheet and a soft copy of the Alford proposal.

Chapter 90 Project Request:

Kevin has prepared a Chapter 90 Project request seeking funding to pay damages for the easements Required for the Heath road bridge replacement. The total sought is \$2,000.00

MOVED: Eileen Sauvageau moved to approve Chapter 90 money for Heath road. Mark Thibodeau seconded. Voted unanimous.

MOVED: Jack Cavolick moved to close the meeting. Mark Thibodeau seconded. Meeting closed at 5:15

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Worden
Office Clerk

Accepted by the Board of Selectmen

Eileen Sauvageau

Mark Thibodeau

Jack Cavolick-chairman

Documents

- Letter from Crocker Communication
 - Email from Bill Stathis
 - Chapter 90 request
- Easement letters to Thibodeau-Herzig, Palumbo, Collins
 - Axia Broadband Quote
 - Boot Drive request letter