

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

January 16, 2018

5:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Mark E. Roberts

Bob Henderson

Matthew T. Drost

OTHERS PRESENT:

Art Forand, Public Works

Sonny James, interim Public Works Director

Lynn Mealey, Town Clerk

Meeting was opened at 5:00 p.m.

Art presented the Board with an agreement for DOT regarding the upcoming work on Windsor Street/Road (Route 226). The agreement is in regard to the manholes and the number and assessment. The agreement deals specifically with the criteria in raising the manholes. They are in categories of “modify” “adjust” & “rebuild”. There was discussion about materials being used and the fact that the Town does not really want to use brick.

Art and the Board members went over the agreement and made some changes to the wording and Art will return the document to Mike Barden from DOT. The change was to do with bricks being used for shimming and minimal adjustment purposes only. Art also said that this project will need to be “watched over” by someone from the Town while it is going on to make sure that the work is being done to specifications. Hopefully this will be starting in the spring. Whether or not any of this will be “night work” has yet to be determined.

The recent water main break at the corner of Windsor Street and Birmingham Road was fixed by the Gardiner Water District but they did not compact it and it is very rough.

The **CSO report** was discussed. Art asked who will be completing it. It was decided that Sonny would take the report, gather the information that he could provide and anything that would come from the office but that the remainder would have to be done by Public Works. This is due by March 1, 2018.

Sonny reported that during the recent rain storm, the Town had a CSO but that all surrounding towns and cities (including Gardiner) did and it could not be avoided as we received an inordinate amount of rain. Sonny said that over 5 million gallons were sent over to Gardiner during the CSO.

The Board asked Art when he would be back as Public Works Director officially and he said to keep things the way they are until mid-February. The Board mentioned that he should have a doctor’s note before resuming all his duties.

Art was told about the damage to Ellis Construction’s plow on Steepleview Court during the last storm. The Town had to pay for the damage as they claimed that they had brought this to the attention of Art previously and it was not fixed. Art said that in October, they went around town to identify trouble spots and this did not come up. Angie told the Board that there are approximately 6 places that are problematic.

Budget discussions will begin around the first of March and the Board will meet with Art to come up with a 3 month plan. One of the things on Art's agenda is the manhole at the corner of Kinderhook and Water Street.

Sonny told the Board that next Tuesday, the CSO and main pumpstation will be calibrated by Sullivan & Associates. DEP will need a copy of the invoice.

Art left the meeting at 5:58 p.m. and Sonny James left the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

Matt discussed having the town attorney, John Larouche attend the next meeting so that the Board can consult with him about all the legal ramifications with the possible TC Hamlin School closure. Lynn will call Attorney Larouche on Wednesday morning to see if he can possibly attend and discuss this with them. They would like to do this ahead of the Public Meeting scheduled for January 25, 2018. Lynn will pass along the general questions they would like to have him research before the meeting.

The **Ambulance Committee** in Gardiner is having a meeting to discuss their budget on Monday, January 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. The Board feels it is important to have representation at this meeting. The newest advisory board member, Nicholas Kimball will be attending and Matt is going to ask Michael Carrie if he would like to attend as chairman of the Randolph Budget Committee.

The Small Town Forum will be meeting on Monday, January 22, 2018 @ 6:30 here at the Randolph Town Office.

Matt Drost made a motion to accept the **minutes of the January 9, 2018 meeting**. Mark Roberts seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Matt made a motion to **rescind a motion** made at the January 9, 2018 meeting in which they voted to pay \$8,750 from account 840 to Water Quality. Mark Roberts seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS**

Matt made a motion to pay WQCO the balance of what is owed to them in the amount of \$9,782.64 from account 840 (capital improvement-sewers) and \$2,217.36 from account 615 (public works-sewers). Mark Roberts seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** The Treasurer will pay the bill this week.

There was a brief discussion about taking out a loan and doing all the road work in Town at the same time. This may be discussed more in the future.

Matt Drost made a **motion to adjourn** the meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m. Next meeting is Tuesday, January 23, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk