

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, February 4, 2020
5:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Mark Roberts, Chair
Robert Henderson
Matt Drost

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
John Larouche, Town Attorney
Greg Lumbert, CEO
Jeff Sullivan, Business owner
Art Forand, Public Works
Peter Coughlan, Planning Board Chair
Ron Cunningham, Fire Chief

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Matt Drost made a motion to **accept the minutes** of the January 28, 2020 meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Attorney Larouche addressed the Board with respect to marijuana laws and enforcement etc. The Board and CEO had asked him to look into the possibility of assessing fees to license “caregivers” in the Town and coming up with a registration procedure for such caregivers with a registration fee. There is not a lot of data yet on how surrounding municipalities are handling this. Greg will be researching what these towns are charging etc. Mr. Larouche stated that the Town could charge for this but that it should be somehow connected to costs to the Town. He will do more research into the law and they could possibly be able to come up with a formula for assessing registration fees. This will not be done right away.

The Board recognized **Jeff Sullivan from Sullivan’s Auto** on Windsor Street. Greg as CEO recently served Mr. Sullivan with a letter regarding the Automobile Graveyard Ordinance that the Town has. This is also covered by State law. Greg has taken pictures of the cars on the lot and with respect to cars that are not registered or inspectable, there is a limit as to how many you can have and for how long. He was given 30 days to get rid of 20 cars on the lot. Mr. Sullivan felt that he was being singled out and questioned the law as it applies to his type of business. He said that he has been in business at this location for 15 years now and this has never been a problem. Mr. Sullivan also stated that it may be difficult to get these cars removed within the 30 days deadline due to the snow etc. Greg told him that if makes an effort to get things done, he will be shown leniency by the Town and the Board agreed that they would like to work with him with respect to time.

Attorney Larouche will also look into this further. Bob Henderson made a motion to cease discussion on this and Mark Roberts seconded the motion but no vote was actually taken. Mr. Sullivan left the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Art Forand said that he had met with Rachel, from Hoyle, Tanner Associates on Thursday. He showed her **our pumpstation** prints and then took her down to the pumpstation so that she could look at the pumps and see how the readings are collected. Sonny came into the station and answered some of the questions she had. She felt by looking at the prints etc., that the two lines that go across the river to Gardiner may be able to be flushed out by machine.

A meeting is going to be set up with the Board, Peter Coughlan, Art Forand and Tom Stevens from DOT with regard to planning for **upcoming road projects**. Pete will set this meeting up soon.

The Board wanted to know if **Ellis Construction** had submitted a salt use report recently. Art told them that Angie Ellis has stepped back from the administrative duties of the company so there has been some lack of communication. He will get in touch with the company and ask them to provide information. This contract is coming to an end this year.

The possible **solar project** for Route 9 was discussed. Pete has been in touch with the representative from **Borrego Solar** about coming to the Planning Board for application and/or permits that may be needed. There have been changes to the Land Use Ordinance in past years and it was unclear as to whether or not an ordinance change would have to be done. Pete will look more closely at the LUO and see if this would be an allowed usage of the property as it was originally thought that there may have to be a change which would require either a special town meeting or passage at the annual Town Meeting, according to timing. Zoning and road frontage will be researched further before moving forward. There have been changes and updates to the LUO in the past years and all changes need to be incorporated and the entire ordinance should be typed from start to finish.

Ron told the Board that he has been moving forward with the fire station. He has checked with Coffin Engineering to see what needs to be done and he will most likely set up a meeting in the near future. He has also been exploring grants for availability. There is a FEMA grant and he will be applying for that.

Greg asked the Board their direction on the issue with junkyards and they felt that if there is an honest effort made, to hold back until warmer weather when removing cars would be an easier task.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk