

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, July 12, 2016
5:00 p.m.
PUBLIC HEARING

BOS PRESENT:

Mark E. Roberts
Bob Henderson
Matthew Drost

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn Mealey, Town Clerk,
Janet Richards, Treasurer
Art Forand, Public Works
Danny Nadeau, Contractor
Lisa Kimball
Nick Kimball, Randolph Firefighters Association

The Board opened up the **Public Hearing** on the proposed Animal Control Ordinance. The hearing was published in the Kennebec Journal. There were no members of the public present at the hearing. The Board reviewed some minor editorial changes to the proposed ordinance.

Bob Henderson made a **motion to accept the ordinance** with editorial changes. Mark Roberts seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** Hearing was closed at 5:15 p.m.

The Board discussed the **Spirit of America Award** that they had decided to give to Mary Pinkham. It has been discovered that she has already received this award in the past. They will find out if it can be awarded a second time.

Mark Roberts made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 5, 2016 meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

An email from a **Central Street resident** was read and discussed. He was unhappy with the paving at his driveway. Art will talk to the resident and let him know that the project is not complete yet. Bob Henderson has been up there and looked at the situation. Art said the Town is going to do the gravel part of the project. There were some questions about the Foster residence and Art explained that the catch basin is going to have work done. Art said that this project is 90% done.

The **insurance policy for the Flag Project** was discussed. The insurance we have covers us through June of 2017. This \$500 can become part of the Town Meeting warrant so that there will be funds there for next year. We can just absorb it into our insurance costs.

Donations were discussed with the members of the **Firefighters Association**. There is an account set up for donations so that they can be accepted. As this account grows, the Association will be purchasing more flags to be put up in Town. They appeared at the meeting to answer any questions that the Board might have regarding donations, flags etc. They explained that they will be accepting donations for future purchasing of more flags or replacing worn ones. The Town could choose to appropriate the money for the insurance. There are

people who have offered to pay the insurance in the future if there is no money appropriated or available.

Some final changes were made to the Utilities account which involved moving some money around between the accounts but the total will remain the same. Some other articles were off in amounts but those have been corrected.

Matt asked Art if Public Works/Sewers (Article 26) is going to be \$35,000 for Art and \$5,000 for the Barber Road. Art said he needs some emergency flushing done on Maureen Avenue and School Street.

Total last year of town budget was \$2,063,439.00 and this year is \$2,073,642.00

Town Meeting Warrant was signed in final form. It will go to print on Monday, the 18th.

Art talked about the Water Street project. Some of the **risers** are a problem. Some will need new rings. We will go with a new one if one cannot be salvaged. They are \$405 each and the most we would need would be 17 but Art feels that it may be 10 at most.

Sidewalk spraying will be done on July 20, 2016 and this has been posted.

Mark asked about the **roadside mowing**. Crockett Construction will be doing it soon.

Matt mentioned a **Maine Property Tax Assessment School** and the possibility of attending. This would be in Belfast the first of August and is a Monday through Thursday class. He will look into going. This is to teach how to be an assessor which the Board has discussed in the past of doing in-house.

Janet Richards came into the meeting to talk with the Board about the recent State of **Maine Unemployment Audit**. It was discovered during the audit that unemployment taxes for some employees have not been paid. The Town will have to pay these back to 2014 plus some penalties and interest. The Board asked why this was not discovered during the Town's annual audit. Janet will advise the Board when she has more information and the total of fees and penalties.

These amounts would have to come out of the contingency account.

Matt Drost made a **motion to adjourn** the meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS**. Meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Next regular meeting is Tuesday, July 19, 2016 @ 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk