

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, December 13, 2016
5:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Mark Roberts
Bob Henderson, Jr.
Matthew Drost

OTHERS PRESENT:

John Larouche, Town Attorney
Art Forand, Public Works
Sonny James, Pumpstation
Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk

Meeting commenced at 5:00 p.m.

Mark Roberts made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 6, 2016. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Mark Roberts made a motion to go into executive session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) for attorney-client consultations. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** Board went into executive session at 5:15 pm.

At 5:37 p.m. Mark Roberts made a motion to come out of executive session. Matt Drost seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** No motions or votes were made during or after the executive session.

At 5:40 p.m. Attorney Larouche left the meeting. He will be sending the Board members his edited version of The First Amendment to Lease Agreement between The Town of Randolph and Portland Cellular Partnership for their approval.

Bob Henderson asked the Board about a recent decision made when he was not in attendance at the meeting regarding a “buy-out” for health insurance for Janet Richards. The other Board members stood by their decision and vote to give such a “buy-out” to Ms. Richards of \$100 per week.

Mark Roberts made a motion to adopt the updated Emergency Action Plan for the Town Office with updated information. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

All Board members signed the Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User rates in conjunction with the December 15, 2016 sewer billing cycle.

Art Forand was at the meeting to update the Board on his activities as public works director. He said that he did receive 3 minor complaints about the snowplowing during and after Monday’s storm but after discussion, it was decided that these were minor issues and did not need to be addressed with Ellis Construction. Art is also going to be finishing up the installation of signs around town. It was thought that he would remove some of the “No Parking” signs on lower Kinderhook Street. He has

not finished up with patching yet. He has worked out an agreement with the DOT to store the cold patch at the State Garage on Birmingham Road. He has two outstanding bills at this time.

The parking ordinance was discussed. Matt will be presenting the Board with a proposed ordinance soon. This will require a public hearing before adoption and will be set up as soon as the agreement language is finished. At the present time, the winter parking ban is in effect so there is no parking allowed on ANY street in Randolph and violators will be subject to towing.

Art left the meeting.

Sonny James was at the meeting to report to the Board that a transformer for the heater in the main pump station quit and he had McFarland Electric come. They took the transformer out and ordered and will install a new one, hopefully by next week (Tuesday). In the meantime, Sonny has placed a portable heater that he had down there so there will be no problems. Sonny will inform the Board when this issue has been resolved.

Sonny asked about Art Forand using Dan Nadeau as a laborer rather than Sonny – when Dan charged \$25 per hour and Sonny would get less. The Board told Art to use Sonny last week but since that time Art has been seen putting up signs with Dan. Sonny told the Board that if they want to tell him that he will just be responsible for the 3 pump stations and not as a laborer, he will accept that. Bob Henderson said that he is going to call Art and talk with him about the situation.

The Board asked Bob St.Pierre to look into the sewer on Libby Lane and inform them as to whether or it was a “private way” with public sewer. Sonny James told them that this was indeed a private road with public sewer.

Sonny James left the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Christmas bonuses were discussed. The Town Clerk will check with the treasurer to see if we received a fuel reimbursement this year. In the past this money has been used to give bonuses to the office staff. Decision will be made at next week’s meeting.

Bob Henderson made a motion to close the office on Friday, December 23, 2016 for the day as the State of Maine is closing also. Mark Roberts seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Next week’s meeting will be from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to allow a Christmas party/dinner at Sun Sun Restaurant at 6:00 p.m. Agenda will be kept to a minimum.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk

*there was no recording of this meeting due to a recorder malfunction. A new recorder will be ordered ASAP