



MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order – 10:03am by Pete Fornengo, Chairman

Roll Call / Quorum Call / Verification of Public Notice – all board members, 2 citizens. Quorum present, verification of public notice performed.

AGENDA ITEMS

• **Workhorse Replacement for Quickbooks and budget** review – discussion of budget, use assessor funds since we will not need the assessment funds for this year, potentially use the town hall rentals to the principal on the building until the end of the year – further into the budget year. Recommend splitting the initial costs. RP motioned to purchase, DD only if it is essential and by law must provide the information on the pay stubs, all in favor via voice vote; motion carried 10:36am. Apply for Innovation Grant to assist with the costs.

• **Review snowplow ordinance** – Randy against plowing driveways and against the setbacks for driveway. Town purchases the equipment with the Town people's money. Town previously opted out of plowing driveways – got stuck, broke equipment. Lydia asked about insurance. Brian stated there is a 10-million-dollar policy, which should cover it. Residents will need to understand that the service comes last and that there is a cost for the service. Update form. Greg to fill out the form and get it to Stacy and Lydia for billing. Add the Driveway Snowplow Policy to the agenda for April. DD motioned to continue the driveway policies with some changes, RP seconded, all in favor via voice vote; motion carried.

• **Comp/vacation for union workers** – Shawn asked about using comp time instead of over time. Shawn can accrue comp but must have a limit. Dana doesn't want a limit on comp time. Pete wants the timecards to be squared away so that hours match. Greg can continue to earn OT and Shawn can accrue comp time or OT, whichever he would like. Lydia stated that we cannot track comp in Quickbooks.

• Public Comment –

- Pete - Judy on the lake would like to mark some of the rocks in the lake. PF motion, RP seconded approved with DNR approval, all in favor via voice vote; motion carried.
- Ordinance – repeal the Deputy Clerk ordinance – no longer need a referendum of the voters, clerk can appoint whoever she needs. DD motion, RP seconded, all in favor via voice vote; motion carried via voice vote.
- Resident – Resident asked for clarity on the reasons that DD does not feel that a committee should exist
 - Insurance and liability – Resident asked to understand the difference and distinguish between this group, the community group, the board and the land use. Should be under the extension of the current insurance and liability coverage.
 - Breach of fiduciary – mismanagement of public funds. Resident reaffirmed that the committee would only advise the board on decisions and that the board ultimately has the final authority and decision-making powers.
 - Ethics training
 - Qualified and unbiased – Resident explained that the members would be volunteer or appointed by the board.
 - Conflict of interest – Resident asked if this is a conflict of interest in having a committee, or personal conflict of interest with the resident presenting the proposal.
 - Pete asked about the committee and how it works. Resident responded that the intention is to meet like the planning commission, monthly or quarterly or whatever the board would like. The committee would help advise, research contracts, etc with no decision-making capability and serve as a filter between the people and the board.
 - Brian – asked if other communities have this budget/finance committees. It would be easier to pattern the ordinance and policies from something already existing. Resident found that the Town of Wascott has a policy manual and finance budget committee that everything could be patterned after.
 - Pete – would like to find out more information.
- Board is not bonded – need to get bonds.

Adjournment – RP motion to adjourn, DD seconded; all in favor via voice vote; motion carried, meeting adjourned at 11:33am.