

Town of Freedom Select Board Minutes December 20, 2021

Present: Elaine Higgins, Ron Price, Steve Bennett, Cindy Abbott, Dyann Anderson, Jim Waterman, Travis Price and Amanda Jamison.

Present via Zoom: Tyler Hadyniak

Absent: Steve Bennett

Ron Price called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

Motion by Ron: To accept minutes from December 13th Select Board meeting and place on file. Elaine 2nd. 2 in favor, 1 absent.

FVFD: Jim Waterman delivered 14 food baskets. Jim gave Select Board information about truck. 2002 Ford 550, \$44,000 sale price. Jim would like to do a three-year lease for the truck.

Motion by Ron: To give himself permission to sign three-year lease from Gorham Leasing Group to purchase truck. Elaine 2nd. 2 in favor, 1 absent.

Public Works: Travis Price moved the Tirone's mailbox. He said they don't want town to take out the turnaround. They are willing to keep it on their property to help town out with plowing. Travis has been training Ryan on plowing. Travis reported that Ryan fell getting out of his truck at the Town Garage when he came to work. Select Board advised that an incident report should be filled out. Travis will have Ryan fill out report. Ron said he spoke with Jackie about Brandon Suitor's driveway. He will speak to Jackie again about it. Travis said all wiring is completed at Town Garage including indoor and outdoor electrical. Outdoor electrical includes the fuel tanks and a dusk to dawn light installed in citizen's sand shed.

Treasurer's Report: Dyann Anderson reported the Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$4,391.20 and the A/P Warrant in the amount of \$15,510.78. The ending checkbook balance is \$497,717.39. Dyann said she spoke with MEMIC again to fix health insurance premiums. Lauren from MEMIC offered to come to Town Office 1/24/22 to make sure that correct amount is being deducted from paychecks and to make sure MEMIC has everything correct on their end. Dyann is working on getting short audit done in time to be in Town Report. Dyann confirmed last date of Montville trash pickup and when recycling trailer was returned. She will send Montville a bill.

Motion by Elaine: To approve Treasurer's report and pay the Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$4,391.20 and the A/P Warrant in the amount of \$15,510.78. Ron 2nd. 2 in favor, 1 absent.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Cindy Abbott gave Select Board list of property owners with a balance due on real estate taxes. 2019 list is of possible foreclosures if taxes are not paid by end of year. Lists of 2020 and 2021 taxes not paid were given too.

Citizen's Issues: Elaine discussed dedication of Town Report. Cindy said she needs a picture and write up.

Correspondence: Numerous charitable donation requests were received.

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Town Official Reports:

Recreation Committee: Elaine said she has possibility of getting fake Christmas tree. Cindy said Recreation Committee could use that.

Budget Committee: Next meeting is December 28th at 6pm at the Town Office.

Community Development Advisory Committee: Next meeting is January 5th at 6pm.

Old Business: Ron said he spoke with Tammy McDonald about trailer on High Street. He was told they are in the process of getting the trailer moved. Ron will keep giving updates about this. Ron talked with surveyor. In the next two weeks they will set pins. They may find issues on property boundary line between Skidgell Lot and Freedom General.

New Business: none

Motion to adjourn at 7:10pm.

Respectfully submitted, Amanda Jamison