

**TOWN OF LEMPSTER
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Approved Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2022**

Board Present: Mary Grenier, Everett Thurber and Traci Homol
Administrative Assistant Robin Cantara

Others Present: Phil Tirrell, Kevin Onnela, Scott Goodspeed, David Richards, Joseph Moulton, Linda Callahan and Barbara Richards.

Mary called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

The Board reviewed and approved the payroll and accounts payable manifest.

Approve/Amend Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting held on December 14, 2021.
Everett moves to accept as written, seconded by Mary; all in favor.

Old Business-

Use of Town WIFI: Phil Tirrell contacted NH Broadband; they agreed to install a public access router and the line for a onetime fee of \$65.00 - \$100.00, with no reoccurring monthly charges.
Traci moves to install the router, seconded by Everett; all in favor.

Traci wanted to make it clear that she does not approve of spending town funds to broadcast the Board's meetings and she doesn't want any questions allowed from those not physically in attendance; if residents would like to participate in the meetings they can attend the meetings.

New Business-

Transfer Station: The Lempster School brought some items to the transfer station; the total charge for demo was \$25.00; Mary makes a motion to charge the school for the demo, seconded by Traci; all in favor.

Budget & Warrant: The Board reviewed the operating budget and warrant, Everett explained it has been a work in progress, Traci does not see anything out of the ordinary. Traci asked about the Cemetery CR and the Lawrence Johnson Estate, Mary explained monies from the estate are to be used only for items above and beyond regular maintenance.

Mary would like the Board members to review the budget and warrant in detail.

Traci inquired as to when the public hearing would be held; the Board will hold their hearing on February 8, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. to finalize the numbers.

Guardrails for Dodge Hollow: Mary received a phone call regarding placing guardrails for safety at the base of the hill and across from the River Road at the newly installed culverts; the Board agreed that the area will be taken care of in the spring. The resident stated a wonderful job was done on the culverts.

Department Reports-

Highway Department: Scott updated the Board on signs that were replaced on Hurd Road, Sand Pond Road and Mountain Road. Kevin Onnela stated that the chevron signs were not in the right place and would like a sharp turn ahead sign installed.

Scott informed the Board that the heater under the compactor at the Transfer Station had been replaced and was functioning properly.

Mary asked how the Town's salt supply was holding up, Scott stated he just ordered another load.

Fire/Rescue Department: Phil updated that the Richardson Brook Dry Hydrant was tested and worked well, one fitting was not glued at the time but was corrected on Monday. Daniels will be back to cut additional trees and add another load of gravel for better access by the fire trucks.

Joe read the November Activity Report for the departments; two trainings were held all local fire departments are invited to attend.

Beth Clark-Moulton is currently working on the Fire and Rescue report for the annual report.

Joe stated that the Department is seeking volunteers, they will be setting up at the Transfer Station to try to solicit new members. Traci asked what was required, Joe responded they must be 18 years old with a good driving record, obtain a CDL license and pass a background check.

The Town will pay for EMT classes (120 hours required) they must pass the classes and guarantee a minimum of 1 year of service to Lempster.

Traci will make a public service announcement on behalf of the Town.

Administrative and Correspondence-

Timber Warrant signed by the Board.

Right to Inter signed by the Board.

ATV Trails the Board re-adopted the current trails, Mary and Everett for, Traci requested more time to think about it.

Public Participation- None.

Mary made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:59 PM; seconded by Traci, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Cantara
Administrative Assistant