TOWN OF LEMPSTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN Approved Meeting Minutes February 13, 2024

Board Present: Traci Homol, Everett Thurber and Mark Lightner

Administrative Assistant Robin Cantara

Others Present: Daryl Simino, Phil Tirrell, Theodore Kraus, Al McNeill, Linda Callahan, David Richards, Melanie Kraus, Derek Ferland (Sullivan County Manager), Scott Goodspeed, Jennifer Gildner-Blinn and Read Gildner-Blinn.

Traci called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

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

Approve/Amend Minutes of the January 9, 2024 and January 23, 2024 Selectmen's Meeting and the January 30, 2024 Selectmen's Budget Meeting. Traci moves to accept all as printed, seconded by Everett; all in favor.

Old Business

Highway Department:

Culverts – Spring 2024 Mountain Road Paving – Lane Marking Lines– Spring 2024

Long Pond Lot: Mark announced that an offer was accepted on Map/Lot 241-20 for \$36,000.00, the purchase and sales agreement has been signed.

New Business

Derek Ferland: Sullivan County Manager discussed the County's "Welcome to Sullivan County" sign project. There will be one sign in Lempster on Route 10, ideally the sign will be near Honey Brook Forest and NHMX with State of NH and property owner permissions. Derek inquired if there was anything that was needed at the town level, Traci responded there was not. It was noted that the year Lempster was established was incorrect, it will be corrected to read 1767.

Scott Goodspeed asked what the cost per sign was, Derek answered about \$700.00 per sign. There are roughly 20 signs to be erected in the county. The majority of the project is grant funded.

Department Reports

Highway Department: Review Beltronics quote for a new base station at the highway garage and an antenna for the recently purchased radios. Everett makes a motion to allow the highway department to spend no more than \$3,133.54, seconded by Traci; all in favor.

Review All States Paving quote for budget purposes only.

Administrative and Correspondence

Veterans Exemption – Signed by the Board.

Traci announced that Bill Lambert, State Highway Safety Administrator will be attending the February 27, 2024 meeting to discuss the Mountain Road/Second NH Turnpike/Route 10 intersection. The State wants a four way stop at the intersection. Based on input from residents, Traci moves that we hold the next Board meeting at the school, seconded by Mark; all in favor.

Public Participation

Al McNeill is concerned with the old hearse sitting outside, Daryl will put it upstairs over the shed. Traci will ask the Historical Society if it is something they would be interested in.

Ted Kraus wanted the highway department to know that the grading done on Long Pond Road helped with travel, Melanie Kraus thanked the department. The highway placed material (1 ½ inch dense pack) on Long Pond and Keyes Hollow Roads and smoothed up Lovejoy Road.

Scott Goodspeed resigned from the Conservation Commission, he read his resignation letter. Discussion ensued regarding the unauthorized work done to the Long Pond Beach area by the CC. Jennifer Gilner-Blinn stated that it is very easy to find information online prior to beginning any projects. Everett wanted it to be known that the DES violation has two parts not just the beach; there was a clerical error on the original application for replacing the wharf as well. Traci thanked Scott for serving and hates to see him resign.

Non-Public RSA 91-A 3; II (a)

At 7:52 PM Traci moves to enter non-public session, seconded by Everett; all in favor.

At 8:35 PM Traci moves, seconded by Everett to end the non-public session and return to the public meeting; all in favor.

Traci moves to seal the minutes of the non-public session, seconded by Everett; all in favor.

There being no further business, Traci moved to adjourn the public meeting at 8:40 PM, seconded by Mark; all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Cantara Administrative Assistant