APPROVED SELECT BOARD MINUTES OCTOBER 09, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Philip E. Mazzucco, Thomas Wilson, Linda Montague and Mark Lourie.

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrea Lenhardt and Donald S. Lewis.

Meeting called to order at 6:36 p.m.

After reviewing the minutes, a motion by Tom, seconded by Phil to approve the September minutes with minor corrections as noted. Motion carried.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

1. Andrea and Don were taking stock of the numerous boxes of old Town records which possibly need to be destroyed. Andrea is going to consult the Records Retention Schedule to assist her in what needs to be kept and also find out the cost of having someone come here and shred the papers onsite or, alternatively have Mark or Don take them away for burning.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. Cash on Hand 09/01/2018 \$533,103.53
Receivables 741,827.64
Disbursements 677,978.22
Cash on Hand 09/30/2018 \$596,952.95

- 2. Accounts payable, the September general fund financial statement and payroll were examined by the Board.
- 3. Mark and Andrea have reviewed the draft copy of the three year audit done by Mudgett, Jennet & Krogh-Wisner, P.C. and have signed off on it. Six copies of the final report will be sent to the Town. COMMUNICATIONS:
- 1. Mark did not attend the Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance meeting held on September 26th. OLD BUSINESS:
- 1. Highway Report: Tom picked up and with assistance from his sons Patrick, planted the landscape trees at the Highway Garage. Jeffrey Lourie dug the holes. Many thanks to these men for their help with the landscape project. The Board will send Ray Smith a thank you note for donating his assistance and advice for the landscape design. It was the consensus of the Board to pay Tom \$150.00 for mileage to pick up and deliver the trees, Jeffrey Lourie \$150.00 for his work and Patrick \$50.00 for picking up truck parts at DeLurey's on his commute home from work in Bennington. Linda reported that she reviewed all minutes for the meetings since January 10, 2017 when the Board was getting ready to finalize the amended Employee Work Policy and found that it had not been formally adopted by the Board. Discussion. Motion by Linda seconded by Phil to officially approve the Employee Work Policy dated 12/27/2016 and effective as of 10/09/2018. Motion carried, with one abstention. Tom mentioned that the Town's two way radios need to be replaced so the signal will reach over the mountain to the east side of Town. He will look into prices for them. A culvert inventory is being done by Jim Henderson, which will show on a map the location of and the specifications for each culvert in Town. The culvert inventory grant has to be completed by December 1st. Tom talked to Joseph Riemer about potential water run off problems which his new stone wall will cause. They came to an agreement whereby a culvert will get installed under the Riemer driveway. Because Suncrest Road has been built up so high, two loads of gravel were dumped at the access to Mary Haines' property to make the portion of her driveway near the road less steep. Tom said it is still steep there and may need more gravel.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Phil said the Select Board needs to appoint another Planning Commission member to replace Thelma Georgeson who retired a few months ago. Mark will post several advertising notices around Town about the vacant seat on the Planning Commission.
- 2. Orders were signed by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Don told the Board that he wants to donate his survey maps and files to Town Attorney John Thrasher.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Montague Select Board Clerk