Jamaica Selectboard Meeting

July 11, 2016 7:00pm Minutes

Present:

Selectboard: Andy Coyne (vice-chair), Lou Bruso, Judith Flower, Lexa Clark

Public: Andrew LeValley, Joel Bluming, Hazel Denton, Joel Katz, Ed Flower, Keith Hazard (Road Foreman)

Andy Coyne called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Additions to the Agenda.

Lou Bruso requested to add an update from Road Foreman Keith Hazard to the agenda.

Approve the minutes of the June 27th Selectboard meeting.

MOTION: Judith Flower moved to approve minutes from the June 27th Selectboard meeting.

Second: Lou Bruso **Motion passed.**

Appointment of Authorized Representative(s) for Vermont Municipal Bond Bank.

Lou Bruso explained that on July 20th, the bond bank will issue the bond to the town. The money will go into our account, and we then need to appoint 2 or more people who are allowed to be in contact with the bank regarding those funds. Since we will not be using most of the money until April, it will be invested into CDs or a money market to earn some interest.

MOTION: Lexa Clark moved that the four representatives for the bond be Terri Garland - Town Treasurer, Pam Tweedy - Town Clerk, Paul Fraser - Selectboard Chair, and Lou Bruso.

Second: Judith Flower **Motion passed.**

Time for Public Concerns.

Andrew LeValley of Goodaleville Road spoke on the lack of speed limit signs on his road. He is concerned for the safety of children and residents with all of the summer traffic speeding by. It was confirmed that the speed limit on that road is 35mph and Road Foreman Keith Hazard said he will put up new speed limit signs. It was also mentioned that a traffic study could potentially be done by the Sheriffs to lower the speed limit to 25 if needed.

Report from Road Foreman.

Keith Hazard reported that the one month rental period for the wheeled excavator is about to end, so a decision needs to be made to return or purchase it. He said it is a very good tool for them to have and is very efficient for ditching.

MOTION: Lou Bruso moved to purchase the wheeled excavator at 0 or 1% interest for 3 years.

Second: Lexa Clark **Motion passed.**

Keith also reported that they are down one man on the road crew for about 6 weeks, but they are beginning to scrape the roads again, which is a two man job anyway, so he does not foresee needing to hire additional help.

Any other business that comes before the board.

Lou Bruso announced that the sidewalk in front of Andy Avery's house has been fixed. An expansion joint will be put in once it settles a bit more.

Judith Flower asked Pam Tweedy to report on the information she received about the insurance policy for Town Hall Rentals. Tweedy stated that in the end it is up to the Selectboard to develop a policy for risk management, and that is what they've done.

Judith also said she has a couple projects in the works for the transfer station but she not ready to report on them yet.

MOTION: Lou Bruso moved that the board enter executive session for personnel issues.

Second: Lexa Clark

Motion passed, board entered executive session at 7:45pm.

Board exited executive session at 8:18pm.

MOTION: Lexa Clark moved that the board enter executive session again for personnel issues.

Second: Lou Bruso

Motion passed, board entered executive session at 8:19pm.

Board exited executive session at 8:30pm.

Lou Bruso moved to adjourn. Seconded by Judith Flower. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.