

TOWN OF ACWORTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Selectmen
Approved Minutes for Business Meeting of April 29, 2024 at 6:03 p.m.
Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Rd, Acworth, NH 03601

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Jim Jennison; Kathi Bradt; Ryanne Schoonover

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Bland, Hwy AA/EMD; Charlotte Comeau, Town Administrator; Collin Crosby, Road Agent

OTHERS PRESENT: Greg Bascom; Melinda Loiselle; Steve & Lori Murray; Ricardo & Amanda Scarello; Robin Ungeheuer

CALL TO ORDER: Jim called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2021 FLOOD RESPONSE:

- Kathi said there hasn't been a check-in for the past two weeks. Nothing new to report.

2023 FLOOD RESPONSE:

- We just received the first reimbursement of \$44k.
- Tomorrow is the preconstruction meeting with the contractor and engineer for Bowers Brook. The funding approval is on the Governor Counsel's agenda for the meeting of 5/1.

MINUTES: Meeting and NPS of 4/15/24: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Kathi; *the Board voted to approve the minutes. Motion passed.*

BILL MANIFEST: On a motion by Kathi, seconded by Ryanne; *the Board voted to approve and sign. Motion passed.*

PAYROLL MANIFEST: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Kathi; *the Board voted to approve and sign. Motion passed.*

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

- R&D starting Monday to pave Charlestown Rd. This will take 7-10 days and one lane will remain open during this time.
- Two trees need to be taken down which are on the town right of way on Crescent Lake Rd. Consensus was to use Russell Tree.
- 10-wheeler is still down. The body is all set. Discovered leaf springs were broken so are repairing that now.
- Logan passed the CDL course.
- Still working on pot holes but cold patch is 128/ton whereas asphalt is 85/ton. Waiting to be able to use asphalt.
- Crack sealing on Beryl Mtn Rd is complete.
- Temporary repairs on Crane Brook will be done soon but can't be open until they put up signs indicating "road under construction, drive at your own risk".
- Kathi asked if there is adequate space for plow turn arounds. Collin confirmed they were all set. (Note: small roads follow-up).

PLANNING BOARD UPDATE:

CONSERVATION COMMISSION UPDATE:

PUBLIC:

ACTION ITEMS:

- Demo Permit-R Scarello M258 L11: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Kathi; after some discussion and comment that the contractor is handling the disposal, *the Board voted to approve and sign. Motion Passed.*
- Intent to Cuts-Bascom Maple Farms M 239 L9; B Bascom Rev Trust M248 L5; R Miller M257 L4: On a motion by Kathi, seconded by Ryanne; *the Board voted to approve and sign both Bascom's intents. Motion passed.* On a motion by Kathi, seconded by Ryanne; *the Board voted to approve and sign R Miller's intent. Motion passed.*
- Report of Cuts-B Richards M229 L71; D Bascom M242 L1; P&D Rhoades M259 L5 & M252 L 11&12: On a motion by Kathi, seconded by Ryanne; *the Board voted to approve sign. Motion passed.*
- Road Improvement Application-G Bascom, Stebbins Rd: On a motion by Ryanne, seconded by Kathi; *the Board voted to approve and sign. Motion passed.*
- Elderly Exemption-J Smith: On a motion by Kathi, seconded by Jim, *the Board voted to approve and sign. Motion passed.*
- Compliance-S Simmons M246 L60: On a motion by Kathi, seconded by Jim; after some discussion on a letter stating the requirement to immediately clean up the burn remains left on the property from last year, *the Board voted to approve and sign the letter and send certified. Motion passed.*

DISCUSSION:

- Draft MS-535: Kathi mentioned this shows our books balance, it is a big project that Melinda has taken on and done a great job. The final version to sign will be presented next week.
- Russell Rd: Kathi brought up what the Russell's had communicated with the town during the small road process about not wanting their road town maintained and turning it into a driveway. Charlotte will reach out to them to see if this is still the case.

On a motion by Ryanne and seconded by Kathi; ***the Board voted to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. Motion passed.***

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Comeau
Town Administrator