Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 13, 2021 Meeting via Zoom

Attendees: Chairman Gene Chandler, Selectman Vicki Garland, Selectman August Vincent

Meeting opened at 2:31 p.m.

Chairman Chandler and Selectmen Vincent attended the meeting in person. Selectman Garland attended via Zoom due to COVID concerns.

Selectman Garland came to Town Hall on Tuesday, 1/12/2021 to sign checks, letters and building permits. Chairman Chandler and Selectmen Vincent signed items throughout the meeting.

Chairman Chandler reported that there is resolution to the issue of plowing at the Morrell Family Community Complex. Three volunteers so far have offered to plow a couple times each. We are still seeking volunteers if anyone is interested.

Chairman Chandler reported the town received a letter from Tony Simone regarding the condition of Town Hall Road. The letter was forwarded to the Road Agent. The Road Agent reported this road is on the list for repairs this year.

Chairman Chandler reported that Bartlett Emergency personnel have been receiving COVID vaccinations. The next session is scheduled for Thursday, 1/14/21.

Chairman Chandler reported that letters have been sent to non-profit agencies who have submitted petitions annually that if they want a special article again this year for the same amount of funds as last year, the Selectmen will put it on the warrant, but if they wish to request a different amount, they must submit the required petition by 1:00pm on February 2, 2021.

Selectman Garland gave a Health Officer's update stating that she has received calls from local citizens and the Attorney General's office with concerns regarding COVID protocols. Her interactions with local business owners have been very positive and impressive.

Chairman Chandler updated the Town Meeting and voting situation. The bill requesting a change passed the NH Senate, but the NH House did not take it up. He is hoping that the Governor will issue an executive order doing what the bill would have done. Currently we can have the deliberative session of Town Meeting in May, but voting would need to take place on March 9, 2021 and the Budget Hearing would need to take place in February. The current plan for voting will be to hold it in the Meeting Room at the Glen Fire Station. This room has two egresses to allow for a one-way flow of traffic in and out of the voting room.

Chairman Chandler reported that the utility vehicle that the board approved being donated to the Career Technical Center at Kennett High School was declined due to timing, costs and space restrictions. All selectmen agreed put it up for sale with the tanker truck.

Chairman Chandler reported that we are trying to schedule a meeting for the Bartlett Jackson Transfer Station on Wednesday, 1/27/21 at 3:30pm. He will let everyone know if that will happen.

Chairman Chandler reported the minutes of 1/6/2021 had been approved.

All three selectmen approved sending a letter to Governor Sununu requesting he issue an executive order to allow moving voting day and the budget hearing date until later in the spring of 2021.

Kevin McEnaney asked further questions regarding job descriptions, wage programs and performance reviews. He asked if there was someone the town could hire to assist with implementing this. Chairman Chandler responded that it could be looked into at some time. Selectmen Garland commented that her experience at the Bartlett School District was that job descriptions were too confining. Selectman Vincent spoke of his experience in the private sector and found that the descriptions were generally not needed. Tony Simone spoke to his experience in education saying job descriptions gave the employer tools for evaluations.

Kevin McEnaney requested that the Zoom recordings of meetings be placed on the town website. Selectman Garland replied that there might be space issues with the website due to the size of the video files. Chairman Chandler said the board would take it under advisement.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Miller Secretary

Building Permits Issued:

01/12/2021 3RT302/196/L10 Building Permit/New construction 01/12/2021 2RT302/37/L01 Commercial Building Permit