TOWN OF MONSON

"A town where friendliness is more than just a word"

September 8, 2022 – Select Board Meeting Present –Tyler Adkins, Sandra Hardy, Sue Chase, Marti Gagnon, Rick Clawson, Richard Allard, Bruce Thomas, Justin Thomas

ZOOM: Emily Davis, Brian Turner, Alaina Zelkan

Meeting opened at 6:00 PM
Selectboard approves prior meeting minutes and signs warrants

PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Allard asked why the town needs to raise more money for snow plowing. Tyler explained that the town received one bid for plowing which was more than was budgeted.

SELECTBOARD REPORT

Sue Chase stated that the Rules of Order should be reviewed, updated and discussed at the next meeting. She also expressed concern about tire burn outs on the Elliotsville Road.

Tyler Adkins asked for updates on the following:

Zoom Recordings: Marti stated that Jade has uploaded all the zoom recordings to the town You Tube channel. A link will be posted on Facebook and the website to access the recordings.

Progress on DOT Partnership Initiative: Alaina spoke to the DOT and was advised not to discuss the plans in public yet. The DOT will be able to attend the next meeting and will provide more information.

ATV Road Access Meeting: Sue spoke to Alaina about the meeting, and it was decided that since there is already so much going on in the office and it's the end of ATV season, the matter should be revisited over the winter.

Tyler suggested having meetings once per month rather than twice. All agreed. Meetings will be held on the second Thursday of every month.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Alaina met with Peter from the DOT and looked at Degestrom Road, Barrows Falls Road and the Bjork Road. Peter will email recommendations. The North Guilford Road intersection was also inspected. Peter suggested leaving that alone for now because it is already part of a bigger plan for town roads. Alaina will begin figuring out the road plan software which the town purchased a couple of years ago. There is a bridge expert who works for the DOT who can assist with the Gully Brook Bridge issues. The Dot will also be hosting a class on snow and ice control in October. Alaina will attend the class. Finally, Alaina spoke to Peter about the tire burn outs on Elliotsville Road. There is likely no damage being caused to the road, but Peter suggested checking the marks after rain. If water is puddling in the marks, the road is being damaged. Alaina will have Steve check it out.

TOWN COMMITTEE REPORTS

BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE: No Report

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE: No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Snowplow Contract: The selectboard signed the snowplow contract with Chad Davis.

NEW BUSINESS

Recreation Appointment and Oath: The selectboard appointed Christa Vainio to the Recreation Committee.

Efficiency Maine EV Charging Grant: Tyler explained that this is a renewal of a previous grant program for EV charging stations. Alaina will find out if the town owned portion of the gym parking lot would include the library as well. She will also contact installers from the Efficiency Maine website to obtain quotes for the project. Sue asked Tyler if the Monson Collaborative Group will see if there are any other grants available to cover additional costs.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM