Selectmen's minutes of meeting October 13, 2020

Members present: Mark Newman, George Riley, Dolores Harasyko, Admin. Asst.

Members absent: Brian O'Rourke, Joanne Grybosh

Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Remote participation information provided for the public.

Purchase orders reviewed and signed

George asked about the purchase order for a new laptop for the Emergency Manager. John Burrows explained that he has used his laptop for Emergency Management and for the Fire Dept. He has a lot of Fire Dept. information on it and needs to continue to use it for the Fire Dept. The new laptop will be for the new Emergency Management Director Eric Pachulski.

Tabled items 3, 4 and 5 until next week.

Discussed the sale of cemetery plots. We will invite Rich Atwood to call into next weeks meeting. Kathy is uncomfortable with selling plots unless it is clear that the plot is unused. George asked about the data entry progress by the cemetery committee. Kathy responded that they have entered 95% of the burials and 75% of the ownership.

Motion by Mark, second by George to increase the Transfer Station Sticker Revolving Account to \$75,000.

Alex Bowman asked for information on the account. Dolores explained the 2 different accounts. There is the budget line item that the town votes on that pays for the contract for the transfer station. The second account is the Revolving Transfer Station account which is funded by the sale of Transfers Station sticker. Alex asked what expenses have been paid for out of the sticker account. Dolores responded that any upgrades to the transfer station site such as updated electric, paving, signage, port a potti, recycling programs, fencing. She also explained that we have to have an independent engineer inspect the land fill and the transfer station annually. We have had costs associated with this and know that the land fill cap is failing and will need future work. We are also building this account in order to do more paving.

Larry Dwyer from the Green Committee into present an update on their annual report. Larry was able to get all the information last week to complete the report. He should have it ready to submit by this weekend.

George asked if the data will now be entered automatically. Larry confirmed that it will be for the electricity.

The selectmen thanked Larry for all his work.

Future agenda items:
Discuss cemetery plots with Rich Atwood

Reviewed mail
Reviewed and signed minutes of meeting

Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair:

Alex Bowman asked who is acting as Fire Chief, he would like to know if it is legal for Ralph Morrison to continue to be Fire Chief since he is over the age of 65. George responded that the selectmen are checking into the insurance coverage. Mark responded that Ralph continues to do the huge job of the Fire Chief Administrator work. He will not enter any fires. He is the incident commander and will respond but not enter any structure on fire. Alex is concerned about Ralph driving the fire and ambulance equipment. George responded that Ralph can still drive fire trucks, be a first responder but not enter any fires, the EMT's are exempt from the age restriction.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.
Brian O'Rourke
George Riley
Mark Newman