Selectmen's minutes of meeting March 12, 2018

Members present: John Skrip, Mark Newman, Fred Ventresco, Bob O'Brien, Dolores Harasyko, Admin. Asst.

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. Meeting is being recorded

Highway Department updates:

They have been working on dirt roads and pot holes especially on Viets, Dodd, Sears, Cronk and Hubbard roads. They plowed snow. John said he didn't receive any complaints. Bob responded that they were prepared and are prepared for next weeks storm. They are using the new truck. Bob explained that the new truck has a computerized calibrating system which will save us money on the amount of salt and sand used.

John admitted to a lack of communication between the Selectboard and the DPW/Highway Committee regarding the purchase of the new truck. Brian O'Rourke feels this money was spent without proper authorization. John said they will work on communication.

Nina Carr explained that she had to shovel the bottom door of the Community Center in order to have playgroup there.

Larry Dwyer asked about the engineer study for the town roads, selectmen will follow up. Brian responded that the DPW Committee is working on this. Larry asked if chip seal holds up better than asphalt. Bob responded it doesn't but it is considerably cheaper. He would like to add binder as a top coat in the future. All States will be back in the spring to repair some parts of Town Hill Road. Rugg Bridge (Route 57 bridge) update, seats are being formed up. Some changes have been made to the design. Brian O'Rourke asked about engineering design of the decking. Bob responded that he has a follow up meeting regarding this. Discussed the experimental decking, it should be good for 30 years.

Selectmen updates:

John continues to work on Broadband. Frontier is out. He is meeting with other companies. He attended a meeting on Elderly Housing, it was a very informative meeting. He met with shared services for ambulance service. Many surrounding towns are having the same problem getting volunteers. Nina suggested speaking to Smitty Pignatelli as he is very involved and very much in favor of shared services.

Nina presented a letter of support for York Lake to be signed by the Selectmen.

Town Administrator updates:

Fred continues to work on budgets. He continues to work on the cardboard compactor container.

Nina asked about the mission of the DPW committee. Brian O'Rourke explained that they are focusing on three areas, the trucks, garage replacement and workforce.

Minutes reviewed and signed Warrants reviewed and signed

Mail reviewed

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

John Skrip

Mark Newman