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Town of Grantham

Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2019 – 2 PM Edition

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 2:06 pm on Wednesday, December 18, 2019, by Chairman Kimball. The meeting was held in the Grantham Town Building, Lower Level at 300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH.

Present: Chairman Warren Kimball; Selectman Constance Jones; Selectman Peter Garland; Town Administrator Melissa White; Road Agent Jeff Hastings; and Engineer Peter Blakeman

OLD BUSINESS

Miller Pond Road Safety and Drainage Improvement Project: Engineer Blakeman reviewed the plans with the Board and explained the desired easement area was expanded to allow the town more room to complete the project and maintain it in the future. Road Agent Hastings informed that the culverts CB 1 and CB 2 were shown as 12" existing, when they are 15" (galvanized) and 18" (Poly) respectively. Hastings discussed his concern with the proposed curbing and drainage pipe. Blakeman said he would rely on Hasting's opinion as to whether they should be included in the project.

The estimated cost is approximately \$400,000. Hastings expressed concern that there wasn't a contingency for blasting. Blakeman will revisit this.

The next steps in the project are flagging the easement area and then securing the easement deeds; Engineer Blakeman will talk to DES regarding the permitting requirements; White will work on the RFP.

OTHER

Road Agent Hastings informed that Trusted Rentals has a 2012 Chipper for sale for \$25,000. He explained that the chipper has 1,000 hours, diesel engine and a 12-inch throat. The CIP Committee supports this purchase. A motion was made by Selectman Jones to authorize Road Agent Jeff Hastings to purchase a used chipper for a price up to \$30,000. Further, to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$30,000 for this purchase to come from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund; seconded by Selectman Garland. Unanimously approved.

The culvert issue on Stocker Pond Road was discussed. Engineer Blakeman said he will send an opinion letter regarding the desired easement area.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Selectman Jones moved to adjourn, seconded by Selectman Garland; by unanimous vote, the Board adjourned at 3:33 PM.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held on **Wednesday, January 8, 2020**, at 5:00 pm in the Grantham Town Building; Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room at 300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa White
Town Administrator