

APPROVED

Minutes of the Select Board Meeting, Bridport Town Office, February 13, 2017, at 6:55 P.M.

Members Present: Leonard Barrett, Chair, Joan Huestis, Clerk, Jerry Forbes

Not Present: Sue Walker, Earl Audet

Others Present: Irene Zaccor, Bridport Town Treasurer

Meeting was called to order at 6:55 P.M. by Leonard Barrett, Chair

Public Comment:

There was no public comment

Treasurer's Report:

Town Treasurer, Irene Zaccor, reported cash on hand of \$311,547.00. Irene presented \$69,293.00 in bills to be approved by the board. She also reported the office will be closed Monday February 20, 2017 for President's Day and the following day Tuesday 2/21. Julie Howlett, Assistant Treasurer will be in the office on Wednesday and Thursday the 22nd and 23rd. Irene will be in the office on Friday the 24th. The motion was made by Joan Huestis and seconded by Jerry Forbes to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed, all in favor.

Road Report:

Joan Huestis, clerk for the DPW, reported that the road crew was exhausted and was home sleeping after many hours on the job due to the terrible weather conditions of the week and weekend. The question was brought up as to whether the road crew fixes mailboxes that are hit by the snowplow. The answer is yes. Joan presented a paper that needed to be signed by all select board members to accompany grant applications. Joan is working on several grant applications at the same time. We will apply for a Better Back Roads grant to hire an engineering firm to evaluate the 356 metered segments of road ditches that have potential to adversely impact waterways. We will also apply for a structure's grant for replacing the Sunderland Bridge as well as a Road Way Paving grant to pave part of the Crown Point Road. Lastly, we will apply for a PACIF grant through Vermont Leagues of Cities and Towns to reimburse the town up to 50% for the cost of safety equipment.

Old Business:

The board wants to set up a meeting with Jim Foley to explain the contract with Mobiliti, a WIFI company, seeking to place a pole on Market Road. Foley is away at present.

New Business:

Joan asked where the Town Charter is lodged. The Town Clerk is away and when she returns Joan will ask her.

Contracts for person's hired by the Town need to be formulated and signed so that the money they are paid does not get added to our Workers Compensation policy. Also a certificate of proof of Liability Insurance needs to be provided by each contractor.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion was made by Jerry Forbes and seconded by Joan Huestis to adjourn the meeting at 7:41. Motion passed all in favor.

Joan Huestis, Recording Clerk

Minutes approved at 3/21/2017 SB meeting