Town of Middleton **Board of Selectmen Meeting** April 8, 2019

Called to order at 6:30 P.M

Pledge Recited

Roll Call- present. J. Hotchkiss-absent, J. Bailey, J. Knapp

Public Hearing RSA 31:95-b III. J. Bailey opens the public hearing at 6:32 PM. J. Bailey speaks about the FEMA funds that have come in for the amount of 4 16,990.15 and since the amount is over \$10,000 so a public hearing needs to be held to accept the funds. Also a refund from NHRS in the amount of \$15,964.81 from an audit of the Town from 2006 to current employees will also get refunds totaling \$ 6,791.35. Questions on what the FEMA money is for. This is from the 2017 March storm. There will be additional funds coming later for the administrative part. This money goes directly into the highway budget since that is where most of the expenditures come from. The administrative money will also be included into the highway budget. Rick Washburn mentions how the town has been apply for FEMA money since 1998 and have received other monies in the past. Public hearing will remain open for 1 hour. Public hearing closed at 7:33 PM.

Signature Action:

- J. Knapp motions to accept the BOS minutes from 03/25/2019 as read. J. Bailey seconds. Both in favor.
- Outstanding check request provided to the board. J. Bailey mentions that there are checks from 2015, 2016 and 2017 that have not been cashed and are out dated. Town is going to send out money orders to these individuals certified mail. If not claimed money will be sent to unclaimed money at the state, J. Knapp motions to advise the treasure to get the money orders, J. Bailey seconds, both in favor.
- Trash concern letter from resident Megan Fetter. J. Bailey read aloud the letter. Resident does not want to see the trash sitting on the side of the road with the change of trash collection day. Weekender's trash will sit out for the week. Ms. Fetter would like to see the board reconsider the decision. J. Bailey mentions how the town does have an ordinance on trash. J. Bailey read aloud the ordinance from March 1986. J. Bailey mentions how the ordinance does state; trash should be in a receptacle. J. Mammone mentions how he as Code Enforcement Officer will be the one responsible for monitoring the receptacles. He is going to make sure people are aware of this rule. A problem he sees is the private roads that pile bags of trash at the ends of the roads. You cannot have all those trash containers at the end of the roads. What should the private roads do? J. Mammone feels that the town should send out a letter to all explaining the change and what is going to happen. Rick Washburn mentions speaks regarding snow storms that now people put trash out Monday nights and it collected on Tuesday. Now if people put the trash out on Sunday nights (lake residents that are only here on the weekends) trash will now sit curbside until Friday morning which will interfere with snow removal. Suggestion for the Board to update the ordinance and make all aware. J. Bailey asked for possible solutions. The boards will response to the resident letter. Suggestion of Waste Management placing dumpsters at the private roads at their cost.
- Voting Ballot inquiry- at the last BOS meeting Janet Kalar questioned the BOS with when did the Town vote to approve voting by ballot. L. Parker and K. Blaney researched the vault and found back in March of 1974 article 16- a was written for the town to use the Australian ballot. Australian Ballot was a paper ballot printed at the Government expense and is hand counted.

Approve by Board of Selectmen

Old Business

Dept head-

- Highway- Rick Washburn mentions to servicing of the generators. Currently Diprizios charges approximately a few hundred to just service the motor part of the generator. Recently a sales representative from Power Up generator provided the town with a quote of servicing the town's generators at a lesser cost to the town. J. Knapp will review the quote. Rick Washburn mentions a class that is coming up to update the Hard Road to Travels rules. R. Washburn also provided a copy to the Police Chief to see if he wanted to send a representative to go to the training, R. Washburn and E. Brannan will be attending. Strafford County of Corrections will be doing a road side cleanup at the end of June for 4 days. R. Washburn also reached out to see if they would be available to paint the OTH, they do not have enough people to accomplish that task. Weight limits on the roads may be able to be lifted next week. R. Washburn mentions the possibility of the addition on the fire department. R. Washburn wants the BOS to know that this will change the cost of the paving with the having to redirect the water flow since the addition will block the current water flow. This could make it so there needs to be underground drainage. R. Washburn is also concerned with where the basement water pump system will eventually go because an addition might change that as well. Water lines will need to be replaced already and wiring to the well also. This change may cost more than the allotted \$100,000. Roger Mains mentions how DES years ago there was a conversation where the DES stated the FD may need an EVAC system. FD addition is on hold until the septic system is researched further. J. Knapp stated how things may have to be done in steps and only what can be funded.
- CEO- nothing to report
- TC/TX- Dog license are due April 30th. Lien date is set for April 15th. Town meeting minutes are being processed. Janelle will be doing additional training with Avitar.
- Fire- Mention of a wage study done at town meeting. Radio was installed in the ambulance today. Next is the state inspection. Question asked to Roger Mains on the repeater for the tower. Bill Lawrence asked who would pay for this repeater because they are approximately \$25,000. First Net is only a telephone communication not for FD/PD radios. Strafford County dispatch did have a plan to get us a repeater but the Strafford County budget was cut and there is no money for the repeater. Could wait for Strafford to redo the budget or possibly switch dispatches to Carrol County. B. Lawrence will look into the benefits of switching.
- Planning Board- Roger Mains is no longer the chair of the board. Mackenzie Brisson is the new chair. Thursday night there is a planning board meeting.
- Welfare- Working with one family currently.
- o Police/ ACAO- no report
- o Treasury- Report provided by treasurer and L. Parker.
- School Board-There has not been any reassignment of the board yet.
- J. Bailey motions to accept the funds from FEMA in the amount of \$16,990.15 and the NHRS money in the amount of 15,964.81. J Knapp seconds, both in favor.

New Business

Tracy Donovan Laviolette asked if there has been an update to the puppy stabbing that took place on Dudley Drive. J. Bailey mentions how if this is still an open investigation there is not much the police can share.

Public Participation

J. Bailey motions to enter into non-public per RSA 91-A:3 II A at 7:38 PM. J. Knapp seconds, both in favor. J. Bailey motions to adjourn at 8:07 PM. J. Knapp seconds, both in favor.
Respectfully submitted by:
Laura Parker, Administrative Assistant