Town of Middleton

Board of Selectmen Meeting

May 06, 2020

Approved By

Board of Selectmen

Called to order at 4:56 P.M

BOS Members Present: J. Hotchkiss, J. Knapp J. Varga

Pledge Recited

Signature Action:

Signature on minutes for 03/23/2020 and 03/30/30 J. Varga makes motion and J. Hotchkiss seconds all in favor.

Old Business

J. Knapp wants to extend the municipal office is closed to the public. J. Varga states that we are still conducting business. Town will be closed till end of state of emergency is lifted. Bos meeting will be moved out to June $1^{\rm st}$.

J Varga talks on behalf of Pinard they will start July 1st starting time will be 7:00am. There was a discussion on listen to recorded. If nothing has been picked by Pinard then there will be a sticker placed on why the garbage is not picked up. They will give you a warning. They also talked about private rds. They would require a waiver to come down the private roads. The town will be responsible for sending the waivers for the trucks to go down the rds. There was a lengthy discussing on what Pinard could offer the town. Jim Knapp likes the bulk way Pinard is . J. Varga talks about Pinard contract , residents paying for their own bulk. And could save \$6,000 per year plus disposal fees. J. Varga states we are not only getting tonnage fees, but we are also getting dumping fees. J. Knapp said if there something to bring that down then why not.

Deeding do we have to sign the deeding again. We are delaying the deeding due to COVID 19. Legal also confirmed that we should hold off on deeding. J. Hotchkiss move to extend the deeding for 90 days and J. Knapp seconds. Removal of gravel/stripping we want to put it out for bid and J. Varga has since then wrote the bid about 5000 yards to sell. The only thing we don't have is the bid date and where to post it and how long we should keep in newspaper. J. Knapp states they should have insurance. J Varga states that he will add that to the bid where they must have their own equipment. Post it for two weeks.

New Business

J. Hotchkiss states that how he attended a meeting at Strafford commission Surrounding towns have put all overtime on hold. J. Varga agrees but it can be hard if they are on call and not get overtime. J. Knapp says he would like to go by the overtime sheet on why they are working overtime. If we are going to go no overtime, then it should be across the board. J Hotchkiss says if it is personnel policy on call is part of the personal party. Overtime authorization should not go against the personnel policy. J. Hotchkiss says that will it be used for emergency or situation. J. Knapp ask what he is hearing can we even cut overtime. J Hotchkiss said on an ordinary day there should not be overtime. Personnel policy meeting is going to be happening soon. It must be accepted by the selectman. J Hotchkiss the point I am trying to make is that is that there should be no overtime for the week unless special situation. J Knapp wants to see what the highway is doing, what projects are they doing J. Varga states that they just want to know why they are so high on overtime and what their daily projects are. J Hotchkiss wants to know when they would like the progress report. Monday and Friday. J. Knapp states he just wants to bring up to Rick Washburn in a non -public meeting some concerns on what they can improve on. J Hotchkiss ask are you looking for pages and pages on their projects? J. Knapp and J. Varga state no we are not. We are just looking for a blurb and the reason why their overtime is so high.

- J. Varga talks about the Cares Act that we need to sign this and will this week and accept the funds. J. Knapp agrees and J. Hotchkiss asked if he needs help and will help where he can.
- J. Hotchkiss should we be talking about new hires. I see a difference between someone leaving and just wanting to hire to have extra. J.Knapp, states Chief Bourdeau wants to put out a sign looking for new members.

Mowing of the town hall lawn past practice to hire a induvial to come and do those duties. J. Varga state we should be able to ask the highway department to mow the grass on their schedule time and he has talked with the lawyer with this and we have the right to ask. It will be on next agenda schedule.

Motion to adjourn at 5:53pm	
Respectfully submitted by:	
Kathleen Blaney, Administrative Assistant	