BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

7:00 pm Tuesday April 18, 2023 Fayette Central School

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Lacy Badeau, Brian Holman, Toby Pond, Michael Carlson Jon Beekman

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE Joe Young, James Wright, Elaine Wilcox, Marty Maxwell, Marty Rigoulot, Belinda Bothwick, Dave Hutchins and Joe Young

Pledge Stated

Public Comments:

Elaine Wilcox as a new member of the Daughters of the Revolution she is volunteering to keep up the Veterans Memorial at the Town Office. Brent expressed the point of getting revenue from the sale of Town land.

Town Managers Report: Mark reviewed the Last Mile Infrastructure Grant Committee give a positive vote hopefully leading to an affirmative vote April 21, 2023. Road posters have been lifted as of today. Road sweeping has started. Tax Foreclosure day has come to pass and there were no tax foreclosures this year. Town Office activity picking up as seasonal snowbirds return to Fayette Brent St. Clair expressed concern about the Lucas Trees equipment on Sandy River Road.

OLD BUSINESS

23-34 Road Paving Bid Award

Brian Holman introduced Dave Hutchins and Joe Young. Brian, Dave and Joe serve as the Road Committee. After spending over 3 hours last Saturday on Bamford Hill and Fayette Corner Roads and Sandy River Road. Brian expressed that Bamford Hill needs an extensive amount of repair and reconstruction. We either have to hire someone to go in there and do some reconstruction or get our guys trained up to do it correctly.

Sandy River Road needs ditching done but we felt there were more roads in need of paving more than Sandy River Road. So we were talking about picking a contractor to do the work and figuring out a budget to pay for it and then the Road Committee needs more time to assess the projects we want to get done. We were not ready to award a contract tonight on any of the 3 roads that were bid on.

Joe Young encouraged choosing a contractor and then working with the contractor from there. Motion to award the pavement product bid to Spencer and encourage the Road Committee to have a recommendation for which roads get what treatment in two weeks so we can get it printed made by Jon Beekman seconded by Toby Pond 5 in favor o opposed

New Business:

23-42 2024 Proposed Budget Adjustments

Mark reviewed minor changes to the 2024 budget request. Fire Chief Marty Maxwell spoke to the need for putting something in the equipment reserve for a decent down payment and put at least \$25k a year. Realistically can keep the 30 year old truck for another 5 plus years. Motion made by Michael Carlson to have the Budget Committee put in \$35,000 as a place holder for Fire Equipment Reserve seconded by Brian Holman Vote 5 in favor 0 opposed. no other budget adjustment action was taken.

23-43 Heat Pump Incentives

Brian Holman relayed information about \$2,800 Effeciency Maine rebate for each unit installed that is nearly 60% of the costs.

23-44 Warrants Motion to approve Town and School payroll and accounts payable warrants #21 made by Toby Pond seconded by Jon Beekman vote 5 in favor o opposed.

23-45 Minutes Motion to approve Board of Selectmen minutes for March 21, 2023, April 4, 2023 and April 11, 2023 made by Toby Pond seconded by Brian Holman vote 5 in favor 0 opposed.

23-46 Board of Selectmen Comments

Toby Pond inquired about the fire apparatus age and suggested that buying used equipment is something that the Fire Department should consider as opposed to buying a \$700K piece of equipment for a volunteer department. Toby Pond asked that an assessment what the road crew can do versus just expecting that they know how to build a road. Toby also express concerns about the land conversation. Jon Beekman inquired about the sweeping status. Lacy suggested we contact our congressional representatives regarding grants for fire apparatus and solar. Lacy also commented on current proposed legislation regarding accessory dwelling units. Lacy also reported on the Solid Waste Committee meeting and complimented the content of the discussion and how things were managed. Michael Carlson mentioned that Senior Thursdays is no longer.

Lacy asked if there were any names for Town Report dedication and Spirit of America Clyde Walton, George Joseph, Jed Davis.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Jon Beekman seconded by Toby Pond

Vote 5 in favor o opposed 8:55 p.m.