

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday, February 12, 2018 (following Health meeting). 6:14

Board members present: James Consolati, Matthew Puntin, Michael Curtin & Molly Curtin-Schaefer. See attached sign in sheet.

Mail was read, previous minutes and treasury warrants were approved.

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

**MAIN ROAD CULVERT:** Molly and Noah to look into a “culvert grant” for our project on Main Road near Matthew Curtin/Tonio Palmer residences.

**RIDGE STREET** – The Town has received 2 responses out of the 5 property owners on Ridge Street. James Consolati made a motion to send a letter to the 3 unresponsive property owners. Michael Curtin seconded, no opposition.

**BROADBAND:** James Consolati stated he received confirmation that Charter received the license the Town issued for broadband. Charter is now working on the “pole work”.

**TURNPIKE EXIT:** James Consolati stated he is a member of the Working Group for the I-90 Interchange Study. MassDOT recently initiated this study, which will examine the feasibility of a new interchange on interstate 90 between the Town of Lee and City of Westfield (Exits 2 and 3, respectively). It may take up to 8 years before the exit is constructed. Blanford or Otis, Ma are the likely to get this new exit.

**SNOW PLOWING:** Michael Curtin stated snow is being plowed across town roads which is against our Town By Laws. It was unanimously agreed to send a letter with a copy of the By Law to the home owners. Mrs. Knolls, Mrs. Brown and Charles Mirotznick.

**FY19 BUDGETS:** Molly prepared information for the board on the upcoming budget. The Board will start to review the upcoming fiscal year needs.

**FILE CABINETS:** It was unanimously agreed to put our old file cabinets out to bid to residents once all the new “fire resistant” files cabinets are in use.

**COUNCIL ON AGING:** The state grant contract was signed for the FY18 grant funds.

**BRIDGE WORK:** The “Right of Entry” form was reviewed for the Main Road Bridge work. (near 144/146 Main Road). Molly to send a letter to the 4 property owners to advise them the work will be completed this construction season and let them know temporary easements will be needed to access across their property that we are in the beginning stages of the project if you have any concerns to contact the Selectmen and to respond with acknowledgements and any disruption of property would be restored to the bridge during the work and all property will be left in pre-construction condition once complete.

**HUNTER NAIL BOARD INSULATION:** No bids for the insulation were received. It was unanimously decided to list the insulation on the state auction site. James Consolati made a motion to

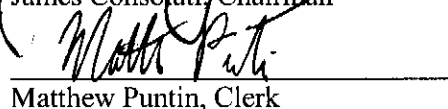
keep the reserve prices as voted at the meeting on January 23, 2017, Matthew Puntin seconded, no opposition.

**ART FESTIVAL:** Ann Gallo was in to discuss her plans for the Tyringham Arts Festival. This is scheduled for July 27 & 28, 2018. There will be films, exhibits, workshops, performances, a BBQ, square dancing and pancake breakfast. She has scheduled a community meeting so all residents can get involved. The Board is very supportive of this community festival and offered help if needed.

**HISTORICAL COMMISSION:** Mark Curtin of the commission asked the Selectmen if they plan to fix the school house. It is in terrible shape and complete disrepair. A discussion ensued on the possible next steps to refurbish this building. We will review the "condition" report prepared by Larry Gould a few years ago and James Consolati will contact Glen Crocker about this building. It was decided to put a volunteer group together to determine the use/needs of the former school house. Mark Curtin and Ann Gallo stated they would like to be appointed to this group. Molly to post for other volunteers.

Adjourned 7:49

  
James Consolati, Chairman

  
Matthew Puntin, Clerk

  
Michael Curtin, Member

BOARD OF SELECTMEN / BOARD OF HEALTH

Date: February 13, 2018

Time :

Name:

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Mark J. Curtin

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Ann Gallo