

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday, January 22, 2019 (following Health meeting). 6:04 PM

Board members present: James Consolati, Matthew Puntin, Michael Curtin & Molly Curtin-Schaefer.

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

Mail reviewed – December 15, 2018 uncollected tax reports from the Tax Collector, Margaret DeSantis, SBREPC notice of a study being completed in relation to the current state of EMS capabilities in South County., text to 911 now available throughout Massachusetts and pricing for state contract – copier/scanner/fax.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** *James Consolati stated he spoke to Charter this week and our representative left on maternity leave and is not going to return to work. Her boss Melinda Kinney and Mr. Consolati had a discussion and agreed that all is in order to build our network this year. Charter plan to build Tyringham and Peru at the same time. Mr. Consolati will follow up with Ms. Kinney.*

*Noah Choquette requested and was approved to take 2 weeks of vacation of together. He will be away the last week of June and the first week of July 2019.*

*Carol Hardy-Fanta requested to lead a group of people from the community to knit, sew, embroider, quilt etc. and asked to use the Library for this. It was agreed with no opposition that the Town Hall could be used but not the Library. The Library has no bathroom facilities and the heat would have to be started a few hours before the group could meet (to warm up the Library) The Town Hall has the heat, bathroom and space. Molly to contact Carol Hardy-Fanta.*

*Timothy Taylor emailed the board about using the Church basement as a community center and a disaster evacuation center. Town Council was consulted. The Town has 3 Emergency Operation Centers, Town Hall, Fire House and Lee Middle & High School all with backup power and are handicapped accessible.*

**PARK FENCE:** A discussion ensued regarding installing steel fencing along the bank in the park to match what is run across the front. Currently there is an old 8-12 feet metal fence with trees and brush growing thru it and actually holding it up. (This could become a liability if a child was to try to climb on it and get hurt.) An article will have to be placed on the Annual Town Meeting warrant for funding this project. Matthew Puntin stated the Park Commission should submit a Request For Determination (RDA) to the Conservation Commission for approval to remove old fence and install new. The Town would only have to pay for the legal ad. Molly to follow up with this.

**BID AWARD:** James Consolati made a motion to award the Tree bid to John F. Field and the Heavy Equipment to L.B. Corp. Michael Curtin, seconded, no opposition. Award letters to be sent.

**BREAKNECK ROAD PLOWING:** A discussion ensued regarding plowing Breakneck Road to the “bottom of the big hill” during the winter. It takes a lot of time and energy for no benefit. Charles Slater,

Fire Chief says he cannot use the brook for water as it is frozen. Matthew Puntin made a motion to plow Breakneck Road to Peter Curtin, Jr.'s driveway and James Consolati, seconded, no opposition.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF INTENT:** A discussion ensued regarding the Highway obtaining a "bundled Notice of Intent" for maintenance on existing structures. (i.e. – ditches, culverts, catch basins, etc. If this NOI is approved it is in effect for three years. It was agreed to get prices from Berkshire Engineering, Hill Engineering Guntlow & Assoc. and White Engineering for a price to develop a bundled NOI for the highway dept. (Scope of services will be developed). Molly to send to engineers.

Adjourned 6:35 p.m.



James Consolati, Chairman



Matthew Puntin, Clerk



Michael Curtin, Member

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Date: January 22, 2018

Time :

Name:

6:00

Noah Choquette