



## Town of Thorndike

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### Selectmen's Meeting

**November 4, 2020**

**Attendees:** D Berry, R Carter, J Trafton, S Bristol, R Cunningham, G Falzetta, M Granade, A Hamblet, R Nelson, W Trafton

Opening and Pledge at 630p, motioned and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Accepting Previous Minutes:** No changes required.

3 in favor/ 0 opposed: minutes accepted as written

### Fire Department:

- A gentleman turned in an application to join, under review.
- There was a flow Test done for \$300. There are 6 Air Packs, 2x were out of date. Motion to authorize \$500 to fill and update air pack equipment, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- The telecom provider has been changed from Spectrum to Unitel. There are still hardware issues that need to be worked out.
- Shawn reviewed the test results from the Pump test for engine 6 done last month. Charges went over budget by \$52., passed the test. Repairs are recommended, listed not including the shift tower and exhaust. Motion to set a repair budget at \$1000.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- Engine 6 will go in this week for shift tower and exhaust repair.

### Selectmen announce Executive Session- MRSA 405

FD requests Executive Session, D Berry motioned and J Trafton 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:45.

3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried

Returned at 7:15p, D Berry motioned and J Trafton 2<sup>nd</sup>

3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried

## Parks & Rec.

- WIFI – Due to the constraints of COVID-19, meetings have been suspended so no further steps in using community room during school hours. Schools have started opening back up. On hold for now.
- Sound panels- found A/V person who found black ceiling sound buffers for \$50, still looking at options and fabrics.

## Town Office

Amber and Mary would like to send out a heartfelt thank you to election workers. There were a total of 447 voters in Thorndike!

## Old Business:

- Salt and Sand Shed
  - RFP deadline, Selectmen opened the agency bids for the build. 3 agencies bid, they will be reviewed at the next selectman's workshop
  - Revised sketch plan is ready to use when needed
  - SSS committee will ask the Planning Board to waive fees associated. The fees would be paid then returned, request will skip this step. Motion to sign sketch plan, waive fees and forward to planning board; 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- Appointments
  - Appeals Board
    - Mike Mayer, Jesse Hargrove, Greg Falzetta, and Greg Fowler were nominated. Motion to approve Jesse Hargrove, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
  - Planning Board
    - J Ard: At the last planning board meeting all declined nominations and no one wants to be chair. Patty Pendergast is sitting Chair and Secretary. Does the Select Board have the power to make the members accept or ask non-participating members to step off the board? Answer: Selectmen will attend the meeting to discuss appointing a Chair.

## New Business:

- Payroll Processing Form, makes it possible for Amber to keep payroll continuing if Town Office has to be shut down. Payroll warrants would need only one signature instead of three if needed. Motion to sign, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- Add Mary Granade to Town of Thorndike Bank accounts at Bangor Savings Bank in order to do town banking. Motion to add Mary to accounts, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- Motion to pay \$50 fee for both Clerks to get notarized, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- EMA Plan, copy will be sent to FD, EMA, Selectmen
  - An antenna will need to be mounted onto the ceiling for the creation an emergency command center as Article 15 in the EMA Plan. Motion to allocate \$200 for supplies and labor, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried

- Motion to bill the Town of Knox for the plowing of .20 of mile, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- Municipal mowing will go out to bid with a due date of January 20, 2021. Motion to put mowing out to bid and to advertise in the paper, around town, and online. 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried

**Other:**

- Sexton, no names were submitted. Selectmen give options to call current ACO to act as interim Sexton and also to ask Lynn Worman.
- Abatements
  - Request made by Tina maccrone at 5 East Gluch Road. The property had previously been rated as a camp but is now used as a year round home. Motion to send letter of appeal denial
  - Request made by Robert Ladd at 137 East Gulch Road. The building on property on falling in and unlivable. Motion to accept request, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
  - Request made by Justin Sigouin at 279 Brooks Road. Home noted on both owned lots. Was moved 3 years ago from one lot to the other but never removed from the property card. Motion to accept request, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried
- There will be a POW/MIA Chair unveiling here at the memorial on Veteran's Day at 1p. The VFW will have a 21 gun salute, and a new flag will be raised.
- Sign needs to be taken in for the year because it keeps blowing away. It will be stored in the meeting room.
- Amber is currently shopping prices for updating the town's software.
- Ard has submitted a Freedom of Access request. He wants the CEO's official report. CEO stated that the letters sent were his official report. Ard requests a written statement that says the violation letters are his official report. It can be mailed. The Selectmen will review with Charlie tomorrow.
- Front door ADA entrance incline is starting to chip away and needs repair. Selectmen agree to assess and make calls for estimates.

D Berry motioned to sign warrants, J Trafton 2<sup>nd</sup>.

3 in favor/ 0 opposed: Motion carried

**Meeting adjourned at 8:45p**