

## Select Board Meeting Minutes July 17, 2024

**Attendance:** Doreen Berry, Charles Greenberg, Jeff Trafton Rose Hill, Tim Veazie, Joseph Frisbee, Sharon Hansen, Jonny Hazard and Eric Duffin .

Meeting called to order by Jeff with the Pledge of Allegiance

Previous Select Board meeting minutes reviewed for 6-19, Doreen made motion to accept , Jeff abstained was not present at the meeting Charles 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed 7-03 Select Board Meeting, 7-03 special town meeting Jeff made motion to accept minutes with correction, Charles 2<sup>nd</sup> , Doreen abstained she wrote the minutes, motion passed 2-0

Jeff made a motion to make an agenda adjustment and bring forward Sharon Hansen and the Mill Road Discussion. Doreen 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passes 3-0

Sharon Hansen and arrival of Eric Duffin residents who reside on Mill Road present to discuss the previous decision of the Select Board to change the name of their road to Mill Lane without discussing with the residents. SB gave reason for the change, an appraiser had called a SB member and Mill Road led them to believe it was a through road. S.B. decided that it would make more sense to change the name to Mill Lane rather than have confusion on the maps. Eric brought to the S.B. attention that on the maps it has been labeled private road all along. Why change it and where is the confusion if it is labeled Private Road. Eric also brought to the S.B. attention the financial burden that this act has put upon the residents of the road; changing all their mailing, mortgage and legal papers, not to mention fees involved with new Passports and License Updates. Jeff apologized on behalf on the board for not involving them in the previous discussion and the decision that was made, not thinking through the ramifications. Jeff followed that with a motion to rescind the previous S.B. decision of the name change to Mill Lane and the road to remain Mill Road, Charles 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, not discussion motion passed 3-0

Sharon has also brought to the S.B. attention, although the Mill Road is private and maintained by the residents who reside on it, that the placement of the new sand & salt shed has added excessive damage to the road from the shed to Mount View Road. Asking that the board to accept responsibility for that section of the road due to the big trucks. The S.B. had discussed that stripping the old pavement and turning that section into dirt would be a good direction. The residents were not agreeable to this, but would like to see proper ditching done to help with proper drainage of rain water and winter melt off. The S.B. agreed that this is doable and will connect with J&S gravel to get a proposal and a good approach to the issue. Board thanked the resident s for coming in.

Warrants were reviewed, Jeff made a motion to sign the warrants with the additions Street Light purchase, excise tax, and Lawn & order Line correction, Charles 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion Doreen brought to Roses attention that Cay Duty Clerk does not get vacation pay, she is not 30 hours. Rose will take care of this., Motion passes 3-0.

Fire Dept Update, Chief Veazie was absent Joe Frisbee updated the board. F.D. submitted the updated billing sheet for the Board to review the requested changes made at previous meeting. All looked in order, S.B. thanked the F.D.

Thorndike out of commission truck, still no sale, the Fire Dept has met and would like to donate the truck to Staceyville F.D. (who recently lost their dept in a fire) to help them get back up and running. The stipulation would be to use until it was no longer needed. Thorndike Fire had not heard back yet. Doreen brought up if it was truly needed at this point and discussion of the vicinity of mutual aide to Staceyville. Doreen made a motion to table the discussion until more information comes in from Staceyville, Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed 3-0

Engine 13, which has a pumping issues, and an estimated cost of \$22,500 to repair a small internal part in the pump itself. Discussion took the direction of alternate route for repairs, possibly buying all new pump, rather

than fixing one small part and have another break. This is tabled so that Joe can research the cost of new pump replacement and installation price.

The board brought to Fire Dept. attention about having both trucks out of town at events and not having one on standby at the station in Thorndike. Joe explained that no matter where they are at events the truck is always in service and not more than 15 minutes from Thorndike. When they sign up for events it is with the stipulation that the truck always be in placement to leave if called out.

Discussion was made about increasing credit limit at Freightliner in the event they are utilized for repairs not just parts. The Select Board chose to leave at the present rate, anything above that amount would need the Boards approval.

Thorndike F.D. Auxiliary Funds are a separate entity from the F.D. donations. Aux. will be in charge of their funds. Clerk needs to be aware of any donations coming to be sure they say aux. not F.D.

Sales of the old fire truck of \$4000.00 Jeff made a motion for that to go into the F.D. operating expense, Charles 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0

Fuel account increases were presented to the Board. The present limit at Hilltop and Depot does not allow for the fill up of either tanker. Also a request to have an account at Troy General was presented to the Board, fuel is not only cheaper but cleaner. Jeff made a motion to accept the account opening at Troy General with a limit of \$600.00 and to increase Hilltop/Depot to \$350.00 Doreen 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion motion passes 3-0

LRAP Yearly signature form presented to the board. Decision suggested by Doreen to roll it over at this time. Jeff made a motion to accept the suggestion and to have Doreen electronically file the form Charles 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0.

Jonny Hazard the towns Public health Nurse presented to the Board that she has access to medical equipment that could be of good use as a lending program for the area. The issue being she can pick up but nowhere to store it. The old fire station seems like a good option. Jonny said she will maintain the equipment and clean the old kitchen area to store it in. Jeff made a motion to allow the old fire station to be used as storage an Jonny to be able to start a lending program, Doreen 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion of a liability form to filled out by the borrower, Jonny agreed that this would be needed. Motion passed 3-0

Vault update- Rose and Cay have been busy with cleaning the vault, shredding documents that have met the retention guideline and setting up the new shelves. Rose presented the idea to order more map tubes to be sure all maps were enclosed to prevent paper fraying.

EMA Director- the town is still without one. Rose will put this position on the website and back out on the Town social pages. Also to advertise, appeals board 2 positions and Assistant CEO

Nova farm Form, tabled until next meeting missing information.

Bulky waste day date- Rose has requested of the Select Board to have Bulky waste day October 5, 2024 9 -1 Jeff made a motion to accept the date , Doreen 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion passed 3-0.

Jeff made motion for adjournment, , Doreen & Charles 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed adjournment 8.45 p.m

Respectfully Submitted

Rosemarie Hill, Town Clerk

