

TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE

Wednesday December 27th, 2023 at 6:00pm via Zoom and Town Offices

Meeting called to order at 6:07pm

Present: Mariah Cilley, Gary Mullen, Mike McPhetres, John O'Brien, Becky Hoyt, Susan Salster, Andy Bogardus, Adam Kenyon, Simon Bradford, Shawn Young

Road Report-Rodney Hoyt via Mike McPhetres

Rodney Hoyt is very sick. Roads are horrible from the thaw and all the rain. Quarry Road will be closing on Friday. The crew is working on fixing a plow; it needs a new pin and spring for \$600. The grader is back now. Larry's truck is on its way to Viking to get more hydraulic pressure. Chris Bump owes the town around \$20,000 in material they used for the Route 110 project. McCullough Crushing is almost out of stone for the season.

Transfer Station Attendant Interview

Adam Kenyon comes to interview for the position. He is interested in working both Wednesday and Saturday. He is currently a student at VTC.

Andy Bogardus comes in to the interview. He is interested in helping if we need extra help, but it will be tough for him on Saturdays in the summer because of tournaments. He is willing to fill in if we need it.

Budget Meeting #3

The Selectboard discusses the final figures for approving the budget next meeting.

Conservation Commission Annual Membership Fee Request

McPhetres makes a motion to pay \$50 in dues out of the Conservation Commission funds. O'Brien seconds. All aye. So moved.

Other Business

Simon Bradford and Shawn Young want to discuss the purchase of a new fire truck. Years ago when a new truck was purchased, a loan was gotten by the town to finance the truck. Young has been in contact with a financing company that the Fire Department can use on their own without the town. The interest rate would be 6.75%. The payment amount would be \$45,000 for 10 years. The town could take a loan out with the Fire Department for a lesser municipal rate of 6.5%. The first payment is \$118,927 when the chassis comes to the shop and then the remainder of the payment is due when the truck is delivered.

They are needing to lock in the price before the end of the year. There is 425-500 days until the truck is delivered. Chief Bradford is looking for the Selectboard's blessing to sign the paperwork. McPhetres makes a motion to allow the Fire Department to purchase a Fire Truck for \$655,631 and to have Treasurer Hoyt make the first payment of \$119,000 when the chassis comes in. O'Brien seconds. All aye. So moved.

Approve Warrants:

All warrants signed and approved.

Approve Minutes:

Minutes were signed and approved.

McPhetres makes a motion to adjourn. O'Brien seconds. Meeting ceased at 7:34.

Gary Mullen, Chair

Mike McPhetres, Vice Chair

John O'Brien, Clerk