

TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE

Tuesday November 12th, 2024 at 6:00pm via Zoom and Town Offices

Meeting called to order at 6:02pm

Present: Mike McPhetres, Mariah Cilley, John O'Brien, Gary Mullen, Rodney Hoyt, Becky Hoyt, Ervin Yahr, Anna Dechart, Peter Hayden, Maryann Caron, Todd Tyson

Road Report- Rodney Hoyt

Bellavance will be able to pave the Strafford Road Bridge this Thursday 11/14. Pike was unable to get to it. Mullen signed the contract today and sent it in to be completed this week. Hoyt is working on finishing up some stuff that needs to be done before plowing season starts. Hoyt is making sure all the trucks and sanders and are up and running. Sandpile is now down to less than 300 yards that we need to get. The town crew has been hauling sand and we hired Matt Lincoln for a 1.25 days until his truck broke down again. The tractor is still being worked on. The town crew is back to five days a week again now. Hoyt will be taking vacation next week. Flags will be taken down tomorrow morning through town. New tires were ordered for Larry's truck (two new for the front and eight capped). All of the spring material has been hauled.

Update on the Tunbridge Solar Expansion- Ervin Yahr & Todd Tyson

Yahr is part of VLGS. He discusses the options that we have. Currently we need to sign a Clinic Engagement Agreement to continue moving forward with this process. We also need to allow the Clinic to move forward by having a Certificate of Public Good (CPG) completed to send over to the Public Utilities Commission. 10.7 kW will be put in next to the adjacent system. This will go to a separate converter so that it goes back into the power grid. The total cost is about \$30,000 without any sort of funding. The MERP Grant went out which would cover some of the cost. Looking at other funding options but could possibly be looking out taking out funding. Tyson states that if the CPG is approved then we can go ahead and do the project, but if we do not get funding we do not need to go ahead and do it. If we get the CPG approved then we would be grandfathered in and would be able to move forward and do it at our leisure. McPhetres makes a motion to sign the Clinic Engagement Agreement. O'Brien seconds. All aye. So moved. McPhetres makes a second motion to move forward with the Certificate of Public Goods. O'Brien seconds. All aye. So moved.

Library Trustee Appointment-Anna Dechart

Anna Dechart asks that the Selectboard appoint Leland Whitehouse as interim Library Trustee until the next town meeting. McPhetres makes a motion to appoint Leland Whitehouse as a library trustee until the next town meeting. O'Brien seconds. All aye. So moved.

Other Business:

Maryann Caron states that we were approved for the MERP Grant of \$255,411.20. We are now getting 90% back from FEMA instead of 75% so all of the projects we have already been paid for we will be getting extra money back on top of those projects.

Kathy Galluzzo has reached out and asked Caron to help her look into Recreation Grants for a new playground. Caron will be able to once her FEMA projects are over.

Approve Warrants:

All warrants were signed and approved.

Approve Minutes:

Minutes from October 22nd, 2024 meeting were approved.

McPhetres makes a motion to adjourn. O'Brien seconds. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Gary Mullen, Chair

Mike McPhetres, Vice Chair

John O'Brien, Clerk