

**Town of Goshen**  
**Select Board meeting**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**March 28, 2021**

Present: Dianne Craig, Steven Smith, Derek Tremblay, Chief Andersen, Alicea Bursey, Brandon Stoddard, Nathan Watson, Cindy Williams, Barbara Paronto, Bob Hodgman, Gary Dennis, Cindy Rouillard.

- The meeting came to order at 6:30 pm.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Bob Hodgman asked the Select Board if the Sholes Road would be sweeping the road this year. Kevin was not present to answer the question. The Board will discuss when Kevin arrives.

**• Old Business**

- Employees expressed their concerns in regards to the Purchasing, Procurement Policy. Derek answered the questions that were asked. There are 5 pages to the policy and complicated. Barbara stated the policy is tailored from the County's and is too large for a small town. Dianne suggested that they policy she wrote last year should be reviewed again. The employees met and didn't like the policy and Derek and Steve decided not to go with the policy. Dianne stated she wants to discuss taking the policy she wrote and the new policy and customize one policy, and get copies to department heads to review and come to the next Board of Select meeting to discuss. Alicea stated she has 20 comments on the new policy and read each of them.

**Public Comments**

Gary Dennis stated if the board is looking for suggestion to improve the transfer station, he is willing to help. Dianne stated Kevin isn't at the meeting and he would need to talk with Kevin. Kevin is the Supervisor and he would make decisions on hours and hiring people. Discussed the demo pricing.

Chief Andersen stated he wants to hire a part time police officer. He has a candite in mind that is certified. Dianne asked how many hours he would work. Eddie stated 8. Dianne wants to have the Board meet him. Derek stated he wants to see more public awareness and introduce him to the community.

- Dianne stated she reached out to Ron in regards to painting the buildings and he is giving almost a 30% discount on his hourly rate of \$55 - \$40 plus materials. He doesn't think there is a lot of repairs to be done to the wood. Dianne wants to make a motion to get the town buildings painted. They have the money. Derek asked if he has given a revised bid. Dianne stated no, he sent an email on the hourly rate. On how much he would charge. Derek stated he would be more comfortable with a revised bid. Dianne said it was the 3<sup>rd</sup> time she has gone back to Ron to discuss the painting and is no need for a revised bid. If the Board waits too long Ron will move on to other jobs. Derek stated he didn't want to make a decision with just two board members because it is an expensive project and would not change his mind on the vote. Dianne stated she didn't understand why Derek wouldn't vote when the money is available and would not be costing the tax payers money. Dianne stated when she did not attend meeting things were voted on. Derek disagreed. Dianne stated this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> time she has asked to have the painting of the town buildings with three bids and all the material for the Select Board and cannot get a motion for the Select Board to pass it. Derek stated he wants the purchasing policy adopted because he wants to model it how it is done for the departments. Dianne

stated she would make changes in the policy she wrote because she is not comfortable with the new policy. Dianne stated that Steve and Derek would vote the purchasing policy in and the painting wouldn't get done. Dianne asked if Derek was comfortable with the 3 bids she received. Derek said he wants the purchasing policy first and appreciated all Dianne has done with the policy she wrote. Derek stated he hopes they could move forward with the painting. Dianne asked Cindy to send out both policies for department heads to review and would be discussed at the next meeting and maybe combine the two of them.

- The NHRC gave a proposal to fix the bank behind the grange. Dianne sent it to Shawn Carroll because it is his property and is waiting to hear back from Shaun.
- Monthly budget review. Cindy has not set up the budget yet when she does, she will send to Barbara.
- Alicea gave an update on the planning board. Between the last Select Board Meeting and now there was another planning board meeting. They have gone through and discussed the NHMA response all the information is in the minutes. There will be a Public Hearing on April 7th to discuss the changes in the Capital Improvement Plan. Derek stated he may not be able to make it, Dianne said she would cover the one meeting. Derek stated he would let Dianne know if he can't make it.
- The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Planning Commission will attend the Select Board Meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm
- Dianne stated the grange has running water and a toilet. There has been discussion on the phone line and internet with Mike from Consolidated. They may be able to run the fiber line and leave it until they move. Dianne will follow up with Mike. There is not an occupancy permit done yet.

Dianne made a motion at 8:34 pm to adjourn the meeting. Derek 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in Favor.