

Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes

February 10, 2020

In Attendance: Gavin Ryan, Gene Archambault, Norm Menard and Charlie Thomas

Road Foreman: Maurice Jettie

Visitors: Brian Dubie, Penny Dubie, Dennis Hendy, Jewetts, Demetrius Boduc, Peter Burns, Melanie Riddle, Taylor Newton, Moe Lamothe, Gary Taylor, Gary Dukas, Ed Sargent, Larry Garrow and Jim Clawson

Town Administrator:

Secretary: Melissa Manson

1. Meeting opened with SB Public Hearing on the Proposed Zoning Bylaws. Changes reviewed. Public comment noted.
2. Opening of the regular meeting at 7:15pm
3. Moe Lamothe and Gary Taylor, St. Albans PD came to discuss the changes to the Central Dispatch contract and services. Town was concerned about a 25% increase in cost. Many upgrades made to the system improving coverage in all areas. Changed the cost share to \$12/capita, which means \$0.03/day per person. No other options for 911 coverage.
4. Gary Dukas and Ed Sargent came to discuss the sidewalk project and who will maintain them in winter. The Town could make an ordinance to have landowners responsible for clearing in winter, but the ultimate responsibility lies with the town.
5. Larry Garrow and Jim Clawson came to appeal the Zoning Boards decision not to issue a junkyard permit to Mr. Garrow in the Uplands District. Junkyards are not permitted in Fairfield. SB to take request under advisement and asked them to return on Feb. 24th for the decision.
6. Moe reported on roads. They did survive the big snow and did a great job clearing roads. Moe is happy with the new truck. The 2015 got a new clutch. Jake is doing a good job according to Charlie (who lives on his route). Alternator on grader caught on fire. \$900 for a new one plus labor. Should be fixed tomorrow
7. Amanda's report reviewed. Jim Barlow said that according to ADA requirements, Towns are ultimately responsible for the maintenance of sidewalks. Nov. 1 storm declared a disaster. Amanda to follow up with reimbursements.
8. Reminder to revisit the recreation agreement with St. Albans. Charlie meeting with Kelly Viens next week and will report back.
9. Franklin County Sheriff does not offer dispatch services.
10. St. Albans PD contract reviewed and signed.
11. Consultant selection form for the sidewalk project Construction Inspector signed.
12. Gavin made a motion to approve Fairfield Market's liquor license. Norm seconded. All in favor.
13. Wednesday evening executive session to discuss personnel issue.
14. Bylaw discussion. Gene made a motion to approve with two amendments. The minimum lot size in the Pond/Swamp district shall be changed from 2-acres to 1-

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- acre. Junkyards will not be permitted in any part of town. Norm seconded. All in favor.
15. Gavin made a motion to approve the warrants and adjourn. Gene seconded. All in favor.