

Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes

January 13, 2014

In Attendance: Tom Howrigan, Gavin Ryan, Gene Archambault, Norman Menard, and Greg Christie Visitors: Walter Kruel – AMCARE, Rodney Judd
Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes Secretary: Absent

1. Walter Kruel from AMCARE talked to us about his rise in expenses, especially workers comp. He has to pass it along. Walter suggested that we could split the increase over the next 2 years(\$7542 per year) instead of jumping up, then incremental increases after that. The SB decided to go with a 10-year contract that would include 2% increases per year. Walter to send a contract for us to consider.
2. Rodney Judd to talk over truck specs and prices. Loader has now been repaired. May cost around \$3K. Talked about other equipment and repairs, hauled sand today, salt has been delivered. Working on getting another load for emergency needs to have on hand. Culverts seem to have opened up and are letting water go through. Trucks need windshields and mirrors after the ice storm. Rod to continue to look at truck information.
3. Gavin made a motion to approve the minutes. Greg seconded. All in favor.
4. Select Board approved the proposed town report letter.
5. Gavin made a motion to enter executive session to discuss a legal issue. Gene seconded. All in favor. Gavin made a motion to exit executive session. Gene seconded. All in favor. Gavin gave an update on the legal matter still in process. No decisions.
6. Amanda reports that the 2014 budget increase of 8.49%, \$73,050 represents 4.5 cents on the tax rate. Select Board approved the 2014 budget.
7. Aldrich and Elliot were to reapply to the State priority list for septic.
8. Tom signed the sidewalk grant agreement and the SB assigned Amanda as local project manager. The State mileage survey was also signed.
9. Private road signs policy reviewed and revised.
10. Tax map update – current use maps have been scanned and there was \$1100 fee. To come out of lister/reappraisal fund.
11. Gene made a motion to approve the warrants. Gavin seconded. All in favor.
12. Gavin made a motion to adjourn. Norm seconded. All in favor.

These minutes exist in draft form until approved by the Select Board.