**I.** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the basement meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Neal Janvrin, Roger Barham, Town Administrator Heidi Carlson and Selectmen's Clerk Jeanne Nygren. Selectman Gene Cordes is out of state and not able to attend tonight's meeting. Bruce White from FCTV was live broadcasting the meeting. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

# II. ANNOUNCEMENTS were read by Selectman Janvrin.

- 1. The Town's Winter Parking Ban is in effect through April 1st from midnight to 6:00 am.
- 2. Candidate declaration begins on Wednesday January 24, 2018 and runs through Friday February 2, 2018. Contact the Town Clerk for more information on signing up, and consult the Town's website and postings in Town buildings for a list of open positions.
- 3. School Deliberative Session will be held on Saturday February 3, 2018 at 9:00 am with a snow date of Tuesday February 6, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Town Deliberative Session will be held on Monday February 5, 2018 with a snow date of Wednesday February 7, 2018 both at 7:00 pm at the Ellis School.
- 4. All Town Offices are OPEN on Monday January 15th and there are NO DELAYS in trash collections.

#### III. LIAISON REPORTS

Carlson stated that at the January 6, 2018 Selectmen's meeting it was decided to continue the generator installations in the spring as it is too difficult to pursue at this time due to frozen ground. They also discussed the MRI report and how to proceed with the next steps of the study.

Janvrin reported on the January 8, 2018 FCTV Committee meeting. The franchise renewal is on hold pending information from Comcast's contact Jay Somers. Bruce White and Kevin Woods are working on repairs to the existing FCTV computer, and Janvrin reported that they will need to either replace the hard drive, or replace the desktop entirely. After some discussion, the Board decided that they would authorize whichever repair was needed. It is estimated that the hard drive would be approximately \$300 and the desktop replacement approximately \$1,200. This cost will be reimbursed from the FCTV Revolving Fund.

Carlson reported that the Town and School District Public Budget Hearing was held on January 10, 2018 at the Fremont Town Hall in the basement meeting room. The meeting was attended primarily by Department Heads and Board members, but about half a dozen members of the public were also present. The hearing was informative and the handouts are still available at the Town Hall if anyone wants to drop by and pick them up, or contact Heidi Carlson for more information.

## IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Barham to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2018 as amended. This seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

Motion was made by Barham to approve the minutes of January 6, 2018 as written. This was seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

#### V. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

6:45 pm Public Input - none

7:00 pm Department Heads - none

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. A final copy of the 2018 Town Meeting Warrant will be available next meeting as Carlson needs to edit a few things that came up at the Public Hearing. Carlson stated that the Budget Committee voted to not make a recommendation on Warrant Article 22 that was a citizen's petition.
- 2. The DayStar Managed Services contract paperwork will be revisited next week when there is a full Board present.
- 3. Town Hall renovations update Selectmen like the newly installed chair rail and how it looks good in the room. They asked for Carlson to talk with Minasalli about getting a cost to do the rest of the room, save for the bump outs. Carlson will contact Minaselli regarding this work.
- 4. Town Report A reminder that the Board's annual report needs to be submitted for publication.
- 5. The final budget paperwork is nearly complete. The DRA needs to finalize the budget submission and then Budget Committee members will be contacted to sign the MS 737. Selectmen need to sign the Default Budget Form for posting as well. The draft was reviewed last night, and Carlson will contact Board members when the final form is released by DRA for posting.

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Barham moved to approve the payroll manifest of \$25,085.07 for the current week dated 12 January 2018. This was seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

Barham moved to approve the accounts payable manifest of \$33,470.53 for the current week dated 12 January 2018. Janvin seconded and the vote was approved 2-0.

- 2. Selectmen reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence. Selectmen reviewed the outgoing draft letter to FFRD members to be sent out with the MRI study. The final run of the letter will be complete by Monday and Carlson will contact Selectmen and Chief Butler to come by and sign it.
- 3. Two bids were submitted for old plows and a trailer which were advertised for sale by sealed bid. It is noted that the advertisement was posted on the Town's website and at Town buildings, and bids were due January 10, 2018 by 5:00 pm. The first bid read aloud was from Michael Holmes for one of the Goodroads barrel front plow for \$300.00. It was noted there was a minimum bid of \$350.00. Road Agent Leon Holmes Jr will be asked if he will accept this bid. The Board will defer to his decision. The other bid read aloud was for the 9' tag along wing plow made by John Fernald Jr for \$261.00. A motion to accept this bid was made by Janvrin. This was seconded by Barham. The vote was unanimous 2-0.
- 4. Motion was made by Barham to approve and sign two Land Use Change Taxes for Map 02-001.007 at 99 Thunder Road for \$10,000 and Map 02-173.017 at 99 Gristmill Road for \$11,000. This was seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 2-0.
- 5. On Thursday January 18, 2018 the Board will hold a Public Hearing at 7:30 pm at the Fremont Town Hall Basement Meeting Room. The hearing is pursuant to NH RSA 674:40-a and is the opportunity for the public to offer comment on the requested acceptance of Spaulding Road as a Town Road (Phase II portion) as requested by the Developer Frank Catapano.

The public is encouraged to attend. Written comments will be accepted up until the date of the hearing and can be addressed to the Board of Selectmen via email to <a href="FremontTA@comcast.net">FremontTA@comcast.net</a> or sent by mail to PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120; or dropped off at the Selectmen's Office in the Town Hall.

6. The next stages of the MRI contract were circulated for Board review. This will be an agenda item next week when there is a full board present.

### VIII. WORKS IN PROGRESS

Pictures and an article for the cover story of the Town Report was reviewed and both Board members are fine using this information.

With no further business to come before the Board a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm was made by Barham. This was seconded by Janvrin. The vote was 2-0.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the basement meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Nygren Selectmen's Clerk