

I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the basement meeting room at the Town Hall. In attendance were Selectmen Roger Barham and Neal Janvrin, Town Administrator Heidi Carlson and Selectmen's Clerk Kathy Clement. School Board member Gordon Muench and Tyler Muench were also present. Bruce White of FCTV was live broadcasting the meeting. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Voter information is posted on the home page of the Town's website, and on the Town Report page. Print copies of the Town Report came in last Friday and are available at the Town Hall, Safety Complex and Fremont Public Library.
2. Voting on all Town and School District Budgets and Warrant Articles will take place on Tuesday March 12, 2019. Polls are open at Ellis School, 432 Main Street from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Anyone absent from Town that day who needs an absentee ballot can get the form from the Town Clerk page of the website, under Voting & Election Information, and should get forms and direct any questions to the Town Clerk.
3. There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at the Fremont Safety Complex on Friday, March 8, 2019 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. To Schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: FREMONTCOMMUNITY.
4. Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead 1 hour on March 10, 2019. Use the time change as a reminder to change the batteries in all of your smoke and CO detectors!
5. The 2019 RABIES CLINIC will be held on Saturday April 6, 2019 from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Fremont Safety Complex. The public is welcome.
6. The Town Clerk's Office will open at 4:00 pm on Wednesday April 3 due to training. Office hours will be 4:00 to 7:00 pm only.
7. There have been changes to what can be placed in our recycle bins, if there are items that are not acceptable the WM crews will leave them in your bin. Please sort all of your recyclables in accord with current guidelines, which can be found on the Town's website, in the February Newsletter or at the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall.
8. Abatements for the tax year 2018 are due in the Selectmen's Office by Friday March 1, 2019 and will be accepted if they are post marked by that date.

III. LIAISON REPORTS

02/27/2019 Candidates Night had a minimum attendance. This meeting was live broadcast and will also run on FCTV for any who would like to watch.

02/28/2019 The meeting with Jay Somers of Comcast and FCTV representatives was postponed due to schedule conflicts. This meeting has been rescheduled for March 20, 2019 at 10:30 am here at the Town Hall.

Carlson asked if the Selectmen thought it was appropriate to send the draft Comcast contract to the Cable Attorney the Town has consulted with previously. Board members agreed that it would be a good idea.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Janvrin made a motion to approve the minutes of February 21, 2019 as amended. Barham seconded and the vote was unanimous 2-0.

V. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

6:45 pm Public Input - None

At 6:55 pm Leon Holmes Jr came before the Board to discuss the purchase of a replacement plow. One of the current plows is over 20 years old and it is in need of repairs in the amount of \$3,500. In light of the amount and the plow's age, Holmes priced a new 11' plow for the truck at \$8,500 after the \$1,000 discount from the dealer. This would be a new plow with no extras needed and can be used on any truck that the Town has for plowing. Janvrin moved to approve PO 2019-005 for \$8,500 for an 11' new replacement plow from HP Fairfield. Barham seconded the motion and the vote was 2-0. The motion was amended to take the money from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The old plow will be sold to highest bidder and Carlson will get it advertised. Janvrin then moved to place any revenue from the sale of the old plow back into the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Barham seconded and the vote was approved 2-0. Holmes will be picking up the plow soon to have it ready for the next storm.

Selectmen then opened the two bids received for the Sandown Road barricades, signs, & lights RFP posted with a due date today at 5:00 pm. The two bids received included:

New England Barricade Company of Newmarket placed a bid for \$1,438.36 for the signs, posts and hardware only.

Atlantic Markings of East Hampstead placed a bid for \$1,350.00 for the signs, posts and hardware. They also placed a bid for \$2,700.00 for painting the lines.

This would be a total bid of \$4,050 for signs and painting from Atlantic Markings. Holmes Jr added that he has been talking to Ron Brown of Atlantic Markings, and he is also working on the barricades, as no bids were received for barricades. Holmes said that in talking with Brown, we could buy 44 used barriers for \$60.00 each for a total cost of \$2,640. They are 10' sections as required by the State and this would be a great savings from having to buy new, and potentially also less than renting. We have other bridge work to do in town, and they would likely have more than one use. Holmes will look into trucking and whether the Town backhoe can move them, or if he needs to rent an excavator. He will also call the Town Engineer next week once he returns from vacation, as he was looking into these things as well.

Holmes also called Reliable about lighting which is \$675.00 monthly to rent and there is a \$150.00 delivery and return fee. These would need to be rented for at least six months possibly more than a year. They also run on diesel and need to be on from dusk to dawn every day. Holmes will be checking on more lighting options.

Janvrin made a motion to accept the bid from Atlantic Markings for the signs, posts and hardware for \$1,350.00 and also to accept the bid of \$2,700.00 for painting the lines. Barham seconded the motion and vote is unanimous 2-0.

Janvrin made a motion to allow up to \$2640.00 for purchase of 44 used barricades and allow Holmes Jr and Carlson to sign any purchase orders and move forward on these items. Barham seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous 2-0.

Holmes said Atlantic is also willing to help him with setting the barricades, and doing the one lane reduction layout, as Mr Brown has done many of these jobs and he also has the layout for setting paint. He will work with Holmes Jr to set this and we will not need to pay an engineer to do these layouts. This will need to be a hybrid project to save the Town money.

The Selectmen thanked Holmes and he left the meeting at 7:28 pm.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Janvrin moved to sign PO 2019-006 for a new mobile camera for FCTV as reviewed and voted to support at the last meeting on February 21, 2019. Barham seconded the motion the vote was unanimous 2-0.

2. Relative to meeting with Mr Ferwerda and his attorney about Governor's Forest, Carlson said that Mr Ferwerda's attorney has contacted the Town again about a date to follow-up. Carlson has forwarded the documents to the Town Attorney for review. Barham says it is very selective in terms of what is presented, and the Town needs to spend some time reviewing their materials and having backup for a response. Barham will review and begin work on a response. This will be scheduled for review at the Selectmen's meeting in two weeks. Janvrin mentioned having the Town Attorney attend the meeting with Ferwerda and his attorney, and this is already planned.

3. The Selectmen will review the updated worksheet for MRI Recommendations before the regular monthly meeting with the Fire Chief on March 13, 2019. After they review this Carlson will send it to the Chief with anything they may want to update or focus on.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Janvrin moved to approve the Accounts Payable manifest of \$570,321.84 for the current week dated March 1, 2019. Barham seconded the motion vote was unanimous 2-0. Barham noted that \$500,000 is for a payment to the School.

2. The Selectmen reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence.

3. Janvrin moved to approve the Intent to Cut for Gristmill LLC on parcels 02-156.002.002 through 02-156.002.012 and 02-173.014 (the balance of the Glen Oakes/Copp Drive/Gristmill Road Phase III subdivision). Barham seconded the motion the vote was unanimous 2-0.

4. Janvrin moved to approve the Intent to Excavate for Fremont Land LLC on parcel 02-151.002 and Barham seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

5. Carlson reported that the wind storm on Monday blew open a backhoe door, smashing the glass in the door panels. This happened while the machine was parked at the shed. Carlson filed an insurance claim as the deductible on glass in only \$100. The replacement windows were installed Thursday at a cost of approximately \$600. The invoices are pending for payment.

6. Janvrin made a motion to approve the Abatement request from Michael Traphagen parcel 06-020.004 in the amount of \$132.42 in interest on 2018 property taxes. Barham seconded the motion and the vote was 2-0.

7. Carlson distributed the expense reports for the current period through 03/01/2019 for the Selectmen's review.

With no further business before the Board, Janvrin moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 pm. Barham seconded and the vote was 2-0.

The next Board meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on Thursday March 7, 2019 at the Fremont Town Hall in the basement meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Clement
Selectmen's Clerk