Town of Stoddard

**SELECTMEN’S MEETING**

Monday, December 11, 2023

Town Hall – 7:00 PM

**MINUTES**

Pledge of Allegiance

Present – Christopher Madden – Chair, Robert Fee – Selectmen, Terri LaRoche – Selectmen, Michelle Pong – Town Administrator, Vickie Williams – Secretary and Harry Power – Compliance Officer

Guests – Joe Traniello, Jen Merrill and Ray & Noreen Durand

Appointments –

Harry Power – Sent letter to Town Council on the Cheverier property on Shedd Hill Road

424-8 – Aten Road – Gunn – took photos of the apartment. Kitchenette, bedroom, separate entrance. Need an ADU application for lower apartment unit. Send them the original building permit they filled out for the treehouse, does not match what they did or said what they were doing. Need at least a 4 bedroom septic system. They also need to apply for an ADU which was built and never applied for.

424 – 9 – Nelligan – Cold Storage Room – has it all framed out. 12 x 24 meets setbacks – no building permit filed. \*Board will not approve application\* - going to the Town Council for a cease and desist letter. Pay $600.00 fine. Can reapply in the spring when they want to build.

108 – 26 – Bedard – Hidden Lake 19 solar panels - $50.00 PD

Property on Island Pond Loucercierne – Contacting neighbors to sign form they approve of the work he is doing close to their property.

To Be Signed/Approved:

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifest
2. Minutes
3. Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber
4. Tax Collector’s Warrant

**All above signed & approved.**

**No vote on the minutes to accept but where signed.**

Old Business:

Land use violations and building violations – people are building with no permits more and more. The town must do more for violations and make people aware that permits must be filed and approved before any building is done or started. **Permits must be approved and applied for before any building can be done on property.**

Public Comment:

Stephen McGerty – Had a discussion with Steve Rockwell about adapting part of the Old Fire House for storage of the food bank supplies. Want to use Chase for work. Chase has a bond for work. The Town will need a copy of that bond. What would be the cost to insulate the Old Fire House? Can Stephen get a copy of the invoice for the job done at the firehouse for the compressor and installation?

Old Business:

Police Discussion with the Town of Nelson. Michelle will be meeting with them on Wed at 3:30 pm to discuss the sharing of a full-time position police officer between the 2 towns.

New Business:

Credit Card for Maintenance – The Town decided to open an account with Hamshaw in which he can charge his purchases for town needs.

Unanticipated funds - $8,586.31 for Municipal Bridges.

**Chris Motioned to Accept the Unanticipated Funds. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Can this be used for the culvert that failed on King’s Highway during the storm?

Payment to Granite Lake – Received Request for $28,748.00 taxing district. They are not supposed to collect the money till the taxes have been paid to the Tax Collector.

**Bob Motioned to pay only 50% now ($14,374.00), the rest once the taxes have been collected. Chris Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Approve Sign Purchases

1. Transfer Station sign – **approved for purchase**
2. Stoddard Town sign – Route 123 going to Hancock – **approved for purchase**

Budget –

Went over the Executive Budget and the Assessing Budget. Nothing will be finalized till Town Budget Meeting.

Misc Correspondence

County Budget copies given to Board

Republican Primary will be on January 23, 2023 – Chris will not be able to work this primary.

Dec 25th meeting for the Selectmen rescheduled to December 27th 2023.

**Chris Moved to Adjourn the Public Meeting @ 9:38 PM. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Submitted

Vickie Williams

Secretary

Christopher Madden\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Robert Fee\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Terri LaRoche\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_