

**Town of Goshen  
Select Board Meeting  
Minutes of Meeting  
October 12, 2020**

Present: Dianne Craig, Steve Smith, Chief Dan Peterson, Ryan Hall, Chief Edward Andersen, Barbara Paronto, Claudia Istel, Bonnie Belden

The meeting came to order at 6:32 pm.

- The check reports were reviewed and signed.
- The September 28<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved
- Bonnie Belden plans for the library project are not complete. Ray Porter is going to do the site work. The shed is going to be moved to the far corner of the building, it will give more area to the court yard A crane company will move the shed as not to damage the septic system. The property line is too close to the building and the library will need to get a variance. May need to get the property line surveyed. The neighbors might have a record of the property line. There is an issue with when PSNH moved the telephone poles.

The Library received questionnaires from the playground designer. It is a lengthy form. A section of it is for the decision makers for the space. Bonnie started filling out the form based on what they had ready. She wants to leave with the Select Board to fill in what they need to know. Diane and Steve agreed to have the forms done in two weeks. Bonnie stated the Library received a grant from Claremont Savings Bank Foundation for \$5,000.

- Steve will contact Patrick in regards to the survey for the Town Beach.
- The conference call in regards to the webmaster candidate will be tabled until the next meeting.
- Dianne gave an update on the grange project. There will be a meeting on Thursday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm to go over the contractors to select for various portions of phase one. Site work needs to be done before ground freezes. There will be more information at the next meeting. Need to find out if either it will be an hourly rate or project rate for rough inside, ramp, and site work.
- Barbara Poronto stated the needs for budget meeting due to the Covid Pandemic. The majority of the committee are over 60. The town hall room does not work for spreading people out; the room is echoey, which makes things hard to hear. Some of the members may resign because of safety concerns. Barbara did research on barriers that accommodate 6 people at the cost of \$1,068 for 2 barriers which would cover the committee. Barbara said Cindy told her the stimulus money has be spent. Steve stated this is important. Dianne said the budget would have money for the smaller one
- The road salt estimates were reviewed and will go to American Rock Salt
- Steve state the Lumber Barn is for sale and would make a good municipal building. Steve contacted the realtor and the building is under contract. If the deal falls through the realtor will contact Steve. Barbara stated the town should do research on how to go about purchasing a building if someday one does come up for sale in the future.

- Chief Peterson stated the air packs are still in excellent shape. A new bottle is \$1,300 each. A couple years ago he bought a few used packs. Air pack maintenance person has found some used bottles that are 2.5 years old. He can get the for \$720 each. This would upgrade bottles from 30m minutes to 45 minutes. This would increase time to work. Also, would need to upgrade packs. Total cost would be \$24,030 out of the Personal Fire Fighters Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. They could be purchased brand new next year \$115,000 or purchase the used. Usually you can get 20-30 minutes out of a bottle. The bottles expire in 15 years. Dianne made a motion to accept Dan's request, Steve 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor.
- Chief Andersen stated the police curser needs Between \$1,200 - \$1,400 for a new exhaust. The cruiser also needs new rocker panels at the cost of \$2,000 each. He wants to get the cruiser through inspection and use until next October. The cruiser will be 9 years old. Wants to ask for a new cruiser in 2021 and keep the truck. Dianne asked if there was money in the budget. Ed will talk with Cindy.
- Claudia Istel, from Acworth is running for State Representative spoke to the Select Board about her background including being a teacher. She knows many people from the Langdon, Acworth and Lempster area. She stated she really cares about the communities. She wants to focus on public education taking care of families and the elderly and help maintain our economy and environment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm