

Town of Northport

Select Board Meeting

March 14, 2022 @ 6:03 pm

Chair: Shelly Patten

Vice Chair: Jeanine Tucker

Municipal Officer: Breanna Pinkham Bebb

Town Administrator: James Kossuth

Finance Director: Vicki Eugley

Town Clerk: Amy Eldridge

Road Commissioner: Amon Morse

NVC Representative: Janae Novotny

Present: Shelly Patten, Jeanine Tucker, Breanna Pinkham Bebb, James Kossuth, Vicki Eugley, Amy Eldridge, Amon Morse, Janae Novotny.

Bid Opening: Kossuth provided the Board with two bids for 2022-2024 Winter Clean-up/Mowing Contract. One bid was from James Knight and the second bid was from Driftwood Lawn Care. Upon the review of both bids;

Patten motioned to accept the bid from James Knight in the amount of \$3,050.00 annually, seconded by Tucker, Board voted 3-0.

Kossuth provided the Board with a bid received from RJD Appraisal for 2022-2024 Assessing services for the Town. After review of the bid;

Patten motioned to accept the bid from RJD Appraisal for \$25,000.00 for 2022-2023 and \$25,750.00 for 2023-2024, seconded by Tucker, Board voted 3-0

Kossuth provided the Board with a bid from Maritime Energy for 2022-2023 Heating Fuel. The Board reviewed the bid and acknowledged receipt of bid, but decided to reject the bid due to rising fuel cost in hopes the cost would level out. The Board requested to repost the Heating Fuel contract with an award date at the Board meeting on 04-11-22.

Citizen Concerns: None at this time.

Northport Village Corporation (NVC): Novotny reported that the Overseers are looking to update the Northport Village Corporation Bylaws.

Road Commissioner: Morse reported the sand pile should last for the rest of the season. He stated paving costs may increase this year due to the price of asphalt. He is working on the Road & Bridges budget and will have it ready for the next budget meeting. Kossuth requested that Morse to look into an area on Shore Road.

Town Administrator:

Specs for Winter Sand 2022: Kossuth provided the Board with the Winter Sand specifications for 2022. Morse stated that mixing in 900 tons of salt is part of the specifications. The Board reviewed the specifications and provided feedback.

Tax Acquired Property Updates: Kossuth reported 175 Rocky Road submitted payment in full for taxes owed and would like the Board to issue a Quit Claim Deed to the property owners.

Pinkham Bebb motioned to accept the funds for full payment of taxes on 175 Rocky Road and have a Quit Claim Deed issued, seconded by Patten, Board voted 3-0

Kossuth reported Dan Small had one contingency on the purchase of 1246 Atlantic Highway. He would like to get a soil test. If the soil test passes then Small would like to close before 04-01-22. Kossuth also reported the sale of 17 Oak Drive will be finalized by 03-15-22.

Sand Pile Complaint: Kossuth reported he spoke to Town Attorney Kelly about the sand pile complaint and after further discussion advised the Town to proceed with filing the Small Claims complaint against Brad Aitken.

Website Update: Kossuth provided a rough draft of the new website design and information. He requested any questions or concerns be forwarded along to him.

Bayside "No-Wake Zone": Kossuth reported he spoke to Jim Coughlin, NVC Waterfront Committee, and Scott Munroe, Harbor Master, about the "No-Wake" Buoys. Scott Munroe as the Harbor Master has the authority to enforce any rules or regulations. Brochures and pamphlets will be for education to violators.

Town Clerk: Nothing to report at this time.

Finance Director: Eugley provided the Payroll and Accounts payable warrants to the Board for review and signature. The Board reviewed and approved the Payroll and Accounts payable warrants.

Eugley reported she spoke to Fire Department Chief Paul Rooney about equipment, turn out gear, and a reserve account. Rooney would like to take funds from a donation the Fire Department received to purchase 2 coats, 2 pants and 1 pair of boots. The Board approved the purchase.

Eugley reported \$1,250.00 is approximately the cost per person for the Emergency Medical services Training class. The Board agreed to add \$1,250.00 to the First Responders budget. Pinkham Bebb reported State Senator Chip Curry supported a recent bill in the legislature to give financial assistance for student's tuition and education.

New Business: Kossuth reported DM&J Waste Inc. will be at the Selectboard meeting on 03-2-22 to talk about upcoming bids.

Executive Session: Under motioned of Shelly Patten, seconded by Jeanine Tucker, the Board voted 3-0 to enter Executive Session at 6:45 pm per M.R.S.A. Title 1 § 405(6)(C) disposition of publicly held property.

Under motioned of Breanna Pinkham Bebb, seconded by Jeanine Tucker, the Board voted 3-0 to return to regular Session at 7:16 pm.

Tucker motioned to have a 30 day notice sent to Sandra and James Butters, allowing them to retain their property if full payment of taxes, interest and cost is paid in full by 30 days of date of notice, for the Town and Northport Village Corporation, seconded by Pinkham Bebb, Board voted 3-0.

Old Business:

CMP tree removal cost share: Kossuth clarified with the Board actions needed by the Town for any future tree removal.

Adjourn: Pinkham Bebb motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm, seconded by Patten. Board voted 3-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy Eldridge, Town Clerk

