

Town of Holland
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2022
Holland Town Office

Present: Select board Members: Trevor Gray, Jonathan Morin
Town Clerk/Treasurer: Diane Judd
Road Foreman: Larry Judd

Others: Ed Brady, Karla Braunesreither

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Trevor

2. Minutes - from 01/04/2022 were approved. Andy/ Jonathan All in favor.

3. Adoptions/Amendments to Agenda - none

4. Public Comment - Ed said that the Communications Union District (CUD) will be reaching out to ask for some of our ARPA money. They (CUD) are working on a grant to help households with school age children that are off grid. There is one family in Holland. They would be requesting ARPA funds for their matching money.

Holland Community Center - Karla presented a printout with potential ideas such as a solar installation, skating rink, bike race, playground improvements and a walking path. They are requesting \$10,000 of the ARPA funds towards matching grant funds. They are applying for an ACCD Better Places grant.

Mitch Wonson submitted a letter with a complaint regarding snowmobile access to Twin Bridge Road and travel on Twin Bridge Road by snowmobiles. The board discussed what they as a board can legally do about this. It was thought that it was more of a violation of Vermont law. Sheriff Harlow will be contacted and asked once again to speak to the offenders.

Wendy Wright and Linda Wilkie have contacted Trevor and suggested that masks be worn at board meetings as they don't feel safe otherwise. Other options were discussed to make all those who want to participate feel safe. It was decided to once again offer Zoom as an option and to order an owl camera. The owl camera is a device that swivels to show the speaker and also works as a microphone/speaker. ARPA funds will cover this. It won't be available for next week's meeting but the Zoom option will be.

Gary Leavens who owns a property on North Shore Road approached Andy about help getting a phone line installed to his property. This was discussed but it is felt that investing in fiber optics for internet-based phone lines might be a more forward thinking option. No action taken.

5. Unfinished Business -

Town Meeting - As the Governor has signed Act 77, this allows the board to move Town meeting to a later date. The board feels if they move Town meeting to a later date, there may be more participation. Andy moved to postpone Town meeting until Saturday, May 21 at 10:00AM, 2nd by Jonathan. All in favor.

Budget was reviewed. Trevor moved to approve the budget total of \$818,128.28, 2nd by Jonathan. All in favor. The proposed budget has been virtually level funded.

6. New Business -

A) Certificate of Mileage - As no roads were re-classified in 2021, the board signed the certificate of mileage.

B) Warning - Work will be done on the warning at future meetings. Any organization that was collecting signatures now has more time to collect them.

C) Road Foreman Report- The crew is plowing and sanding/salting as needed. He has also been working to keep a culvert thawed on Valley Road.

7) Review of bills and signing orders

Highway:		General:	
Payroll	01/11/2022 \$2,107.62	Payroll	01/11/2022 \$713.26
Payroll	01/18/2022 \$2,2284.44	Payroll	01/18/2022 \$537.48
Payroll	01/25/2022 \$2,258.15	Payroll	01/25/2022 \$707.76
Invoices	01/25/2022 \$21,016.15	Invoices	01/25/2022 \$4,031.35

8) Adjourned at 8:00

Next regular meeting will be **Tuesday, February 1** at 6:30PM at the **Holland School**
Schedule of meetings: February 22