ROXBURY SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2021 7:00PM – 7:51PM THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA CONFERENCE CALL

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING: Chair Clare St. John, Vice-Chair Shane Ryan and Road Commissioner

Dave McShane

STAFF PARTICIPATING: Selectboard Assistant Tammy Legacy

PUBLIC: Tim Martin

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

- 2. No additions/deletions to agenda.
- 3. Dave moved to approve the minutes of February15, 2021 as submitted. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes.
- 4. Public None
- 5. Road Commissioner's Report
 - a) Equipment is in good shape; hopefully winter will be over soon.
 - b) Roads are in good shape. Mud season is coming, road crew is getting prepared.
 - c) Warren Mountain Road Slope Project is on schedule. Slope and dirt work portion of project is completed. The first week of May the road work and guardrails will be finished. The project should be a fair amount under budget. The property owners are happy with the project.

6. Financial Report

a) The Board reviewed the orders. Tammy requested the Board add CVC Paging in the amount of \$69.00 to the orders. The school tax check was discussed. Dave moved to approve the orders with add-on of CVC. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes.

7. Unfinished Business

- a) The Board started to discuss replacing the current copier. Tammy asked if they would hold off until the next meeting so she could get more info. The Board agreed.
- b) The Board discussed the junkyard ordinance survey that was sent to all taxpayers of Roxbury. Tammy gave the update on the survey. Question #1: Yes 203, No 76, Undecided 3; Question #2: Yes 160, No- 114, Undecided 8, no tally for Question #3 (contacting representatives). Dave suggested the Board close the survey with the latest data submitted to the Board (February 26). It gives a good cross section of what people are thinking. The Board agreed. Tim Martin asked questions regarding the survey. Tim mentioned the survey went to taxpayers but it is the voters that decide if an ordinance is petitioned. It was acknowledged by the Board that voters would make the decision but it is the taxpayer's properties that are affected by junkyards. The Board felt they have been doing due diligence by surveying the taxpayers after receiving complaints over the years. Tim requested the Board postpone until COVID is over because it will be petitioned. Clare stated the Board is aware of it and the delicacy of the process and they want to respectfully listen to everyone, serve the community and to appease as many as they can properly. The Board has not discussed the next step yet. Clare invited Tim to participate when it is on the agenda.

8. New Business

a) Washington County Sheriff Contract Renewal – Budgeted \$7,500, discussed hourly rate increase, 7 hours per week, contract amount of \$10,000 with revenue from fines to offset cost. The Sheriff is approximately half the price of what the State Police would charge us. Shane

- has volunteered to be the liaison between the Board and Sheriff. After discussing the contract, Dave moved to renew with Washington County Sheriff with same amount as last year. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes.
- b) Dave submitted the 2021 mowing schedule. Cemetery mowing is what the Cemetery Commission asked for. The corrections department has no idea when they would be able to start mowing again. Dave would like to put the contract out to bid. The person who did it last year is interested in doing again but Dave would like it advertised. Tammy will advertise the mowing contract with a deadline of April 2nd at 4 p.m. The Board will open the bids on April 5th. Dave stated that Jason did a good job last year and he also mows for Braintree.
- 9. Other Business None
- 10. Executive Session Dave moved to go into executive session with an invitation to Tammy for a personnel issue. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes. The Board entered executive session at 7:30 p.m. The Board exited executive session at 7:48 p.m.

Dave moved to increase the Auditors pay to \$16.00 an hour and the Ballot Clerks pay to \$12.00 an hour. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes. Tammy thanked the Board for considering increasing the pay for the Auditors and Ballot Clerks.

Other Business – Tammy reminded the Board that Town Meeting is tomorrow.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Tammy Legacy, Selectboard Assistant Approved on April 19, 2021