Town of Fletcher Select Board Meeting Fletcher Town Offices Select Board Meeting Minutes 10/18/2021

Select Board: Jon Bondy, Rich Bidwell, Bruce Douglas, and Matt Gillilan. **Attendees:** Barry Doolan, Pam Jedlicka, Aimee Tinker (Assistant Town Clerk), and Rachael Wilson (Secretary).

1. Call to order: 7:04pm

2. Old town garage land:

a. The Select Board discussed the Historical Society's proposal for the old town garage land. Bruce asked if Barry planned to get a legal description of the property. They were looking for it in the town records, but had not found it yet. Matt Gillilan thinks that the property was used as the town garage in the early 70's (the town garage is no longer located there). Bruce wondered if there was a possibility of contamination. Barry stated that the Historical Society is not planning to test the land and they would not come after the town now or in the future regarding contamination on the property. In exchange, they would like the road crew to level the property. Barry asked that the town's attorney to come up with a land agreement that would end up in the land records. The Select Board would like to include a hold harmless agreement. Jon will have the town's attorney look at the proposal and write something up based on the discussions at tonight's meeting.

3. Board Business:

- a. Lawsuit Settlement: The attorney representing the town through the league, was able to reach an agreement without going to court. The league's insurance company is paying the settlement amount, though there may be a deductible (town's expense). If there is a deductible, it would be minimal compared to the settlement amount. The Select Board unanimously approved the lawsuit settlement.
 - i. The Select Board discussed if there was anything different that could be done in the future. Jon mentioned that the town followed procedure in this instance. Rich suggested that in the future if the town tries to sell property, it do so through a realtor.
- b. MC Fiber has been using the recycling bin at the Town Garage. Jon spoke with Leslie at MC Fiber, because the recycle bin was often full. Matt will follow up with the road crew to see if it is still a problem, and if so, what do they suggest for a solution.

4. Metcalf Pond:

- a. Guardrails: Matt shared that guardrails placed at the pond access area would cost approximately \$1752.60. Matt proposed that, instead of a guardrail, they place wooden posts close together (so a vehicle cannot get through), with rope between the posts. This would look better than guardrails. Jon proposed that if Matt can do this for less than \$2000, the Select Board approves. The Select Board unanimously agreed.
- b. Water gauges were ordered and should arrive this week.
- c. Matt mentioned that he was incorrect when he said the road crew only installed pipe over one dam. They installed it over two, including "the ledges."

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5. Facilities:

- a. The town office heat pump has been moved.
- b. The town office has not received a response about fixing the bathroom floors.

6. Broadband:

a. Everything is moving forward. The Select Board reviewed the communication Jon drafted for residents. Jon will revise based on the Select Board's suggestions and would like it put on the town website, and announced on Front Porch Forum and Facebook Fletcher Folk.

7. Road report:

- a. The Road Crew did some work on Wilson Road and found a culvert that needed to be replaced.
- b. There is a section of Buck Hollow Road that will need to be ground and paved during the next 3 years.
- c. The 2003 Mack truck needs frame repairs.
- d. The Select Board needs to spec a truck to replace the single axle. A truck will need to be ordered this Fall, to pick up next Fall. This is budgeted in the equipment replacement plan.

8. Generator:

- a. Aimee reached out to three different licensed Generac service providers about annual maintenance, but only heard back from two. They offered the same services:
 - i. Brookfield: \$385/year
 - ii. Reliant: \$329/year. If you prepay with a credit card, the price is \$289/year. Aimee uses Reliant and is happy with their service. The Select Board unanimously approves the use of Reliant for annual generator service.
- The Select Board also unanimously approved the purchase of the Generac 10 year parts warranty for \$1054.70.

9. Public Comment:

- a. None.
- 10. Adjournment: 8:14pm

To Do:

- 1. Jon:
 - a. Ask the town's attorney to write up an agreement for the old town garage property.
 - b. Ask Aimee to put the broadband communication on the town website, Front Porch Forum and Facebook.

2. Matt Gillilan:

a. Talk with the road crew to see if the recycle bin is still filling up (because MC Fiber is using it) and if so, what do they suggest as a solution.

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