July 24, 2017 Meeting

Selectmen present: Christin Daugherty, Carol Jameson and William Daniels

Absent:

Meeting opened at 5:30pm

***Administrators Report

Administrative Assistant Harrington is inquiring when the next safety committee meeting should be scheduled.

***Approve Manifest

Daniels moved; Daugherty 2nd; the Board voted to approve the manifest dated July 24, 2017 for week of July 18– July 24, 2017, in the amount of $145,483.00 for accounts payable/payroll. This includes July 2017 payment to MRSD in the amount of $133,625.67 as well as monthly payroll.

***Selectmen

Daugherty gave an update on the St. Benedict’s Center new sign. Daugherty visited the site and confirmed the Road Agent’s recommendation for the sign to be placed on “the other side of the post”.

Work is scheduled to begin on Amidon field in approximately 2 weeks but the 4 Corners area must be cleared to be used as the heliport area while the field is under construction. The 4 Corners area will be blocked off and unusable during this time.

Daugherty moved; Daniels 2nd; the Board voted to approve the building permit application for M408 L028.

Daugherty moved; Daniels 2nd; the Board voted to appoint Jerry Mills as a Heritage Commission member; Term to expire March 2020.

Daugherty moved; Daniels 2nd; the Board voted to appoint John Lewis as a Heritage Commission alternate; Term to expire March 2020.
Claim for final payment of feasibility study signed off by Board. To be paid for under Community Development Block Grant.

Board discussed stumping and grading Vets Hall timbered area. Silt fencing will be installed before any work commences.

**Public Appointments**

**Hayden Budzik** met with the Board and discussed his Eagle Scout project (bulletin board for Richmond Library). His project has been approved by the Eagle Scout Board and in this evening to see if permit are required by the Town. Daugherty wants Road Agent and Fire Chief location approval before construction begins.

**Daniel, Bonnie and Aaron Pratt** met with the Board, reference use of equipment to clear behind Vets Hall.

**Jed Butterfield/AD Hoc Committee on Education member** met with the Board, reference updating Board on the activity of the Committee to date.

**Jeff Taylor/Conservation Commissioner** met with the Board, reference history of funding for the Conservation Commission. Created in 1971 under Harry Bennett leadership and would be self-funded. 1984 timbered the Bennett forest and invested money into CDs. Taylor said the original thought was it was best to continue to fund through harvesting timber from Bennett Town forest. Commission seemed to set precedence in way they are funded (not asking for tax money). Taylor is hopeful they can remain self-funded through managing the town forest.

Invasive plant spraying for September 2017 was discussed. This will be a second spraying; original spraying took place in autumn 2016.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:21pm**