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November 7, 2016  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
Burke Town Clerk's Office**

PRESENT: Sam Sanderson, Darryel Corrow, Joe Allard, Herm Hoyt, Doug Gilmer, Keith Clark, Amy Nixon

Darryel opened the Selectmen's meeting with the reading of the October meeting minutes. Darryel made a motion to accept the minutes. Sam seconded.

**ROAD FOREMAN REPORT** – David Kaufman, new road foreman, told the Board that they have gotten the winter sand up. Burke Hill is completed except doing the sides which Pike will be doing. George Frank has been working to repair the Salt shed. They have put gravel on the Victory Road. They have also been digging out the ditches and doing culvert replacements. The tree on the corner of Brook Road and Burke Hollow Road has been cut back to give a better view when exiting the Brook Road.

Dave told the Board that Jim has been out with the Grader most every day. Truck repairs have been an ongoing thing.

Dave asked the Board if they would approve the purchase of drop down chains for the only truck that does not have them. All of the trucks have them except one. The Board all agreed that they should have them. The estimate for the chains is about \$2,100.

**VISITORS: Susan Leskin** – Not present

**Herm Hoyt** asked if the Board was aware that the Selectboard cannot refuse the construction of Wind Towers or Solar Panels. Sam told him that they were aware of that.

**Keith Clark** said that he was only there to observe, but did have a question on the upcoming special meeting concerning the listers position. Sam told him that they would be signing the warning and the Special Meeting vote will be December 12, 2016 by Australian Ballot and the Informational Meeting will be at the December 5th Selectboard meeting.

**CONSTABLE REPORT** – There was no report.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** Doug Gimler was in attendance and there was discussion on the next step for the two remaining Zoning violations that have not responded to the attorneys letters. They are David Ruggles on Depot Street and Tom Williamson on Route 5 in West Burke. The board decided that the next step was to issue tickets to them.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** The Board appointed Shauna Bessette as the Secretary to the Development Review Board.

The Board also appointed John Ross Stevens to the Conservation Commission.

The Board was presented with the ROW permit for Glen Bean who has completed the project and authorize the office to return his deposit. They did not sign the paperwork, instead asked the road foreman to go look at the project. Dave thought there may be an issue with the size of the conduit that was used, because there is a minimum size which is different than what was on the original permit.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Warning for a special vote on December 12, 2016 which asked to have the Towns elected Listers position eliminated. Instead of having elected Listers the Town will use our outside appraisers, New England Municipal Consultants, who we have used for over 12 years. This is necessary because we have had difficulty finding qualified Listers to fill the positions. We currently have two openings available and no one wants the positions.

Priscilla wanted to confirm with the Board that Jon Corey was entitled to receive his accumulated sick leave after his dismissal. Sam said that he should get all that is coming to him. All agreed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** No action taken.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:** The Board reviewed the payables and signed the warrant as submitted.

With no other business to come before the Board, Sam made a motion to adjourn. Joe seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Priscilla Aldrich, cvc, cvt, cmc  
Town Clerk and Treasurer