

Town of Jackson Town Board Meeting
April 4, 2018

The Town Board of the Town of Jackson met on April 4, 2018 at 8:00 pm at the Town Hall for the regular monthly meeting.

PRESENT:

- Jay Skellie..... Supervisor
- Mike Nolan..... Councilman
- Travis Rea..... Councilman
- Carol Rich..... Councilwoman
- Edward Rouse..... Councilman
- Sean Carney.....Highway Superintendent
- Tammy Skellie-Gilbert..... Town Clerk
- Donna Nolan..... Budget Officer
- Sharon Dunn..... Historian/CARES
- Noel Hanf..... Planning Board Chair
- Mark Mahoney.....Planning Board member

Also Present: Kimberly Finney

QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC – Kimberly Finney from the Lakota Farm at 99 County Route 62 was present to ask if the Highway Department could be tidier especially the south portion of the lot where the sand pile and screener set. Mrs. Finney is trying to enhance the picturesque views from the *Wedding Barn* looking north. She commented on the tires, culverts and scrap metal that lie around. Typically, the metal is removed from the property when there’s a full load to take out. The culverts will be used for upcoming projects. Mrs. Finney also wondered if the berm could be extended further towards the road. No formal solution was agreed upon.

TOWN HALL RAMP

Washington County Board of Elections has a 12 foot aluminum ramp (and a six foot ramp) with ADA approved railings that Jackson might be able to adapt to the ramp that needs to be rebuilt at the Town Hall. Supervisor Skellie and Mark Mahoney will go to the County to look at the structure.

RESOLUTION #27-18

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 5-0, **to approve the March 7, 2018 Town Board minutes as written.**

RESOLUTION #28-18

A motion by Councilman Nolan, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 5-0, **to approve the March 2018 Town Clerk and Supervisor Reports as follows:**

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| Town Clerk Fees to Town | \$243.39 |
| Supervisor Receipts | \$1,974.57 |
| Supervisor Disbursements | \$59,199.85 |

REPORTS

Highway

- Plowing snow continues. As soon as the snow stops, road sweeping will begin.
- The '08 truck has some damage to the wing from contact with the railroad tracks at the intersection of County Route 64 and Fish Hatchery Road. A Claims Adjuster is scheduled to look at the damage.
- Brush has been cut on Skellie Road.
- Plans for paving are being made for Johnson and Rouse Roads as well as a small section of Skellie Road. At this time Supt. Carney anticipates receiving the same amount of CHIPS money for paving as in 2017.

Planning Board – The Planning Board

- Approved Bob & Irene Headwell's minor subdivision;
- Completed the SEQR for Carol Rich's minor subdivision. Public hearing is scheduled for May 1st; and,
- Chairman Hanf communicated with Patricia Burke at the Department of State about the Planning Board's authority relevant to Site Plan Review. The Planning Board's understanding of their authority was consistent with what Ms. Burke shared with Chairman Hanf. The Planning Board cannot regulate any land-use characteristic that's not included in the site plan law.

Historian/Washington Co. CARES (Senior Advisory Council)

- April 15, 2 pm – Robert Mulligan will portray Rice Bull, Union Soldier of the 123rd Regiment Washington County at Freight Depot, Hubbard Hall.
- April 15, 4-6 pm – Salem Firehouse will offer a Reality Forum on the Opioid Crisis; and
- Military people should be aware that there are many preventive tests for them through Medicare Services.

OLD BUSINESS

SAM Grant – Jackson's SAM Grant from DASNY moved to the State on March 30th for final approval which could take months.

NEW BUSINESS

Tour of the Battenkill – Organizers of the 2018 Tour of the Battenkill have once again requested the Town's support and permission to use any roads in Jackson that are part of the race route which will be the same as in 2017. The *Municipal Letter of Acknowledgment/No Objection* will state that that *the Town of Jackson requests that any emergency vehicles are permitted to get through regardless of what stage the race is in. Also, we ask that all trash along the route be collected at the end of the event.*

RESOLUTION #29-18

A motion by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilman Rouse; Resolution passed 5-0, **to support the Tour of the Battenkill on April 28, 2018 and approve use of Eagleville Road for the race.**

Easton Fire Department – The Easton Firehouse located at the intersection of State Route 372 and County Route 74A that serves a small portion of Jackson is in desperate need of volunteers. They are currently initiating a membership drive, but if new members cannot be recruited, the location will be closed. If that occurs, Jackson will have to negotiate with either the Cambridge or the Greenwich Fire Department for coverage of that area.

Supervisor’s Report -

- Supervisor Skellie attended the Salem Fire Department dinner in March as well as the Cambridge Rescue Squad Appreciation Dinner. He commented that both organizations have new, young members which is positive for our area.

8:55 PM

RESOLUTION #30-18

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilman Nolan; Resolution passed 5-0, **to move into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing proposed, pending or current litigation.**

9:20 PM

RESOLUTION #31-18

A motion by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilman Rouse; Resolution passed 5-0, **to close the Executive Session.**

RESOLUTION #32-18

A motion by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 5-0, **to approve the following budget transfer:**

- \$477.40 from A1990.4 Contingent to A8160.4 Garbage and Refuse

RESOLUTION #33-18

A motion by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 5-0, **to approve payment of the following bills as audited on April 4, 2018, Abstract #4 and authorized the Supervisor to pay said bills from the respective funds:**

| FUND | BILL # | AMOUNT |
|---------|--------|------------|
| General | 42-52 | \$1,285.32 |
| Highway | 55-69 | \$6,489.17 |

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Skellie-Gilbert, RMC
Town Clerk