Town of Holland Selectboard Meeting Minutes Town Office November 20, 2023

Present: Select board Members: Andrew Bouchard, Jonathan Morin

Town Clerk/Treasurer: Diane Judd

Others: Karla Braunesreither, Ed Brady, Kenric Gonyaw

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Andy

- 2. Minutes from 11/06/2023 were approved. Jonathan/Andy. AIF
- 3. Adoptions/Amendments to Agenda none
- 4. New Business
- **A. Road Report** Bob was not present. Diane said that both the International and the Ford had new windshields, but the International has a leak which will be repaired. Gorman had sent a contract giving us the chloride sprayer as we have purchased sufficient chloride so that it is now ours. Andy reviewed and signed. Diane presented the Board with a couple of time card options. It was decided that a combination of both might work best. Diane will work on creating this.
- **B. Vermont Better Roads Grant Program** There is a large culvert that needs to be replaced on the Valley Road. This is something that has been hanging on but should be replaced. Eric Pope from VTRANS suggested we apply for a Better Roads Grant to pay for the majority of the work. The Board is in favor of applying for the grant. The deadline is December 20. Diane will reach out to Eric for help with the grant application.
- **5. Public Comment** Kenric Gonyaw asked if anyone had a fuel tank that could transfer fuel in to the generator at the school. Apparently, Fred's is reluctant to fill. It was suggested that he contact Leon's Fuels to see if Leon can do this.

Ed said there is a grant that NEK Broadband is applying for that would be for people who live off the grid. There is a list of Holland properties that need to be reviewed and identified as possibly being underserved.

6. Unfinished Business -

- **A. MERP Grant Ideas** Reading had an energy fair with information about cost savings and resilience. Lunch was also served. If anyone would be willing to spear head this type of project, it would be greatly appreciate. Please contact Diane.
- **7. Select Board Updates** Jonathan said that a couple of CDL drivers from Newport have recently given notice. He thought it might be good to reach out, perhaps have them available on a per diem basis.
- 8. Executive Session none

9. Review of bills and signing orders -

Highway:			General:		
Payroll	11/14/2023	\$2,743.17	Payroll	11/14/2023	\$1,295.44
Payroll	11/21/2023	\$2,325.31	Payroll	11/21/2023	\$1,135.49
Invoices	11/20/2023	\$4,370.53	Invoices	11/20/2023	\$213.62

10. Adjourned at 7:20

Next regular meeting will on Monday, December 4 at 6:30PM

Schedule of meetings: December 18