PLYMOUTH HIGHWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

AUGUST 29, 2017

PRESENT: Mr. Gary Simpson

Mr. Rick Alger

Mr. Dan Meyer

Mr. Jerry Cushman

Highway Superintendent Mr. Pete Marshall

Mr. Simpson called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Mr. Marshall reported that he ordered a new truck after the last Board meeting. It should be delivered in January or February.

He also said that the highway has finished paving the Bates Road, Underwood Road, and North Road and finished the shoulders on them. The crew is going to oil and stone the Jones Peck Road and the Reservoir Road until they run out of money. Mr. Simpson asked about the broken down mower. Mr. Marshall said the mower was repaired in about a day. The time the Town has the mower will be extended to compensate for the down time. They will be mowing for the second time around.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION: Mr. Simpson asked Mr. Marshall if he had been preparing the highway budget for 2018. Mr. Marshall said that he had it all ready.

He presented everyone on the Committee with a copy. He also made a copy for Supervisor Alger. He briefly went over some of the figures.

The only piece of equipment that will be replaced this year will be the loader. The loader has approximately 380 hours on it.

Mrs. Alger asked Mr. Marshall if he had gotten quotes on the improvements needed for the Town Garage. He said he had received one which was about \$400,000.00. That would add on 40 feet and put in insulation.

Mr. Simpson asked Mr. Marshall for an update on the Fairbanks situation. Mr. Marshall brought the County Engineer to the sight. He agreed with Mr. Marshall. The Engineer will return to measure exactly how deep the ditch on the private property will have to be to correct the problem. Mr. Cushman reiterated that the Town can not go on private property to do any work. The land owner is responsible to have the work done properly to correct the problem.

Mrs. Alger asked about the complaints from Mr. O'Malley, Mr. Cohen and Mrs. Hamstra. Mr. Marshall said that the crew is currently working on the Road near Mr. O'Malley's property. He had not heard anything from Mr. Cohen or Mrs. Hamstra.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: Town Clerk Brown brought up the reasoning behind inviting the candidates for Highway Superintendent. They need to know that this is the time of year that budgeting starts. Mr. Marshall said he would help anyone who got elected if they wanted his help. Mrs. Brown asked if the maintenance of Foster Park was a duty of the Highway Superintendent or if it was a voluntary position. Mr. Marshall volunteers for it. The Town will have to consider finding someone to accept these responsibilities when Mr. Marshall is no longer Highway Superintendent. It was suggested that an additional deposit for the park should be required. The deposit would be returned if the park was left in good clean condition by the people renting it after an inspection was made by the park's maintenance person.

Mr. Cushman asked who was responsible for the Historical Society's Depot building. He reported that it was in unacceptable condition. No one knew who actually owned the property. Mrs. Brown will find out.

Mr. Collar asked who keeps access to fire hydrants in the Town cleared out. Mr. Cushman said that the Fire Department is responsible. It was stated that some private citizens help with the task.

Mr. Collar asked if the Town did not get CHIPS money, would taxes go up. Mr. Marshall said they definitely would.

Mr. Simpson set the date for the next meeting to be September 19, 2017 at 6:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Virginia E. Brown

Plymouth Town Clerk

August 31, 2017