PLYMOUTH TOWN BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

6:30PM

PRESENT: Supervisor Grace Nucero-Alger

Councilman Daniel Meyer
Councilman Jerry Kreiner
Councilman Frank Williams
Councilman Garry James

Highway Superintendent Rodney Oakley

Supervisor Alger brought the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

She asked if there were any additions or corrections to the July minutes. There were none. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to accept the minutes as sent. Mr. Meyer seconded the motions. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeses and no nos.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT: Brian Franklin's report is on file in the Town Clerk's office. He had conveyed to Mrs. Alger that he had not been issuing tickets during the pandemic shut down. He wanted her to ask the Board if they thought he should resume ticketing offenders. The Board all agreed that it was time to do that.

Mrs. Alger informed the Board that she had found a potential code enforcement officer to fill the Town's vacancy in that position. She said the person would like \$4500.00 to do the job. There was some discussion. Mrs. Alger said she would look into the qualifications of the individual and get back to the Board about it.

Mrs. Alger read Tom Prisco's letter of resignation. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to accept Mr. Prisco's resignation with regrets. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeses an no nos.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTEND'S REPORT: Mr. Oakley reported on the following:

- Patching roads.
- Cleaning Ditches
- Paving 1 ½ miles on the Hoag Childs Road on Wednesday and Thursday.
- Bonding process. This would come into play when a Town road would be used extensively by heavy trucks, such as logging trucks, to alleviate any expense that might be incurred to repair damage done by those trucks. Mr. Oakley said he would look in to bonding.
- Completed forms from Homeland Secutity. There is one issue left from the 2018 flood.
- Plans to work on the culvert at the Plymouth Reservoir sometime around the end of September.
- The gate for Foster Park is in. The highway crew will install it before the snow flies.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Mrs. Alger updated the Board concerning the Town Justice position. She was informed by the State Board of Elections and the Unified Court System that Judge James Fox would be able to fill the position until December 31, 2021. This means that there will be no election for Justice in November of 2020.

Mrs. Alger met with Shawn Cushman and Linda Powell-Owens to explore ideas about the upcoming holidays.

Things are moving forward with the NBT loan to cover the cost of the new excavator.

BOARD CONCERNS: Mr. Meyer said he had heard from Ed Pierno that he had received complaint papers about the junk on his property. Mr. Pierno disputes this accusation. Mr. Kreiner plans on talking to Mr. Prisco about the issue.

Mr. James made a motion to accept the bid of \$23,052.00 for the bobcat. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeses an no nos.

Mrs. Alger offered information concerning the AT&T cell tower project. No written complaints have been received since the Public Hearing. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to authorize Mrs. Alger to send out the Environmental Impact Assessment Form to affected parties. Mr. James seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeses and no nos. Mrs. Alger presented the Board with three resolutions. Discussion followed. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to approve Resolution 9-3-2020 Notification of AT&T cell tower project to interested Agencies. Mr. Kreiner then withdrew his motion to give Mrs. Alger a chance to explain the other two resolutions. Mr. James then seconded Mr. Kreiner's motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeses and no nos. Mr. Williams made a motion to approve Resolution 9-1-2020 Classifying the AT&T cell tower project as a "Type 1" project. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was passed with five yeses and no nos. Mr. James made a motion to approve Resolution 9-2-2020 Classifying the Town of Plymouth Proposed Local Law 1 of 2020 to be a "Type 1" action. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. There was some discussion. Mrs. Alger called the Town attorney for some clarifications of Resolution 9-2-2020. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to table the previous motion until the attorney returned Mrs. Alger's phone call. Mr. James seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was passed with five yeses and no nos.

Mrs. Alger informed the Board that the Town Attorney had negotiated the figure of \$1,500.00 per month for the lease of the property to be used by AT&T for the cell tower. She went over the Lease Agreement with the Board. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to authorize Mrs. Alger to sign said Lease Agreement on behalf of the Town. Mr. James seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was passed with five yeses and no nos.

After hearing back from the Town attorney, Mr. Kreiner made a motion to remove the motion that was tabled. Mr. James seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was passed with five yeses and no nos. More discussion followed. The Board was then polled on the motion to approve Resolution 9-2-2020. The motion was passed with five yeses and no nos.

Mrs. Alger announced that the next budget workshop will be on September 15, 2020. The next Board meeting will be on October 13, at 6:30pm.

The bills were reviewed and signed. Mr. Williams made a motion to pay the bills. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was passed with four yeses and one no. Mr. Kreiner voted no.

Mr. James made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was passed with five yeses and no nos. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

Virginia E. Brown

Plymouth Town Clerk

September 28, 2020