

PLYMOUTH TOWN BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 2018

PRESENT: Supervisor Grace Nucero-Alger
Councilman Gary Simpson
Councilman Daniel Meyer
Councilman Lewis Somers
Councilman Jerry Kreiner
Highway Superintendent Rodney Oakley

Supervisor Alger brought the meeting to order and led in the Pledge to the Flag.

She asked if anyone had any corrections or additions to the minutes of the October meeting. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Somers seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeses and no nos.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Oakley reported the following:

- Presented the Board with four checks totaling \$536.46 for scrap.
- Ditches have been cleaned on Adams Road and Tinker Ridge Road.
- Next week they plan to replace the culvert on Blackman Road.

- The crew has patched pot holes.
- Repaired trucks (new brakes on the '03 and welded Ricky's truck box)
- Oil and stoned Kirk Road and the end of Bates Road.
- Sealed pipe on Ashcraft Road.
- Patched culverts on German Hollow, the Reservoir Road and the top of Morley Road.
- Put new springs on the pickup and bought a salt spreader for it.
- Using the sand pile on State Route 23 due to the extremely wet conditions behind the garage.
- Plowed and sanded when needed.
- CHIPS paperwork is done and submitted.
- Received the Sexual Harassment Prevention Policy from the Supervisor.

Mr. Oakley asked the Board if the plan was to surplus the grader. Mr. Simpson said that would be discussed during Board Concerns. He also asked if Mr. Oakley plans to use the same size culvert to replace the one on Blackman Road. Mr. Oakley replied, yes. Mr. Oakley said that some of the beavers causing the damage have been disposed of by local citizens. The Town has a nuisance permit to get rid of the beavers. Mr. Oakley said he would be extending the culvert on Blackman Road at the request of Wayne Law Logging so the tractor trailers can make the turn. He cleared it with the DEC.

Mrs. Alger informed Mr. Oakley that Deming Road was washed out. The road is officially closed until May 1, 2019

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Mr. Ian Oldham and Mr. Isaiah Sutton from the County Code Enforcement Office spoke concerning the garbage issues on four properties that are going on in the Town. A question and answer session followed.

DOG CONTROL: Mrs. Alger informed everyone that Matt Bates has resigned.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Mrs. Alger reported that she and Mr. Simpson went to the SPCA's annual training for DCOs because of Mr. Bates' resignation. She gave everyone an overview of the training.

Mrs. Alger informed everyone that the State is mandating a Sexual Harassment Prevention Policy for all municipalities. The Policy is posted on the bulletin board outside the Town Clerk's office. A Resolution must be adopted by the Board. This will take place at the next Board meeting.

The Town Board has asked Mr. Burlingame to resign as the Code Enforcement Officer.

BOARD CONCERNS: Mr. Somers made a motion to accept Matt Bates' resignation as DCO. Mr. Kreiner seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeses and no nos. Mr. Meyer read a resolution to appoint Mr. Brian Franklin as Town Dog

Control Officer for \$3,020.00 per year. Mr. Kreiner seconded the resolution. The Board was polled and the resolution passed with five yeses and no nos. Mr. Simpson had asked Mr. Ray Clapper to be a backup for Mr. Franklin. He was interested. Mr. Simpson will call him and make a final agreement.

Mr. Somers read a resolution to appoint Mr. Thomas Prisco as a temporary Code Enforcement Officer for \$3,200.00 per year. Mr. Kreiner seconded the resolution. The Board was polled and the resolution was passed with five yeses and no nos.

Mr. Simpson read a resolution to authorize the Town to enter into an agreement for the provision of joint services with other municipalities and DCMO BOCES Print Shop for the years 2018 through 2022. Mr. Meyer seconded the resolution. The Board was polled and the resolution was passed with five yeses and no nos.

Mr. Kreiner read a resolution to establish a Standard Work Day and Reporting Process. Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the resolution was passed with five yeses and no nos.

The highway grader was brought up. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to surplus the grader and authorize Mr. Oakley to contact the auction company and set the minimum bid at \$23,000.00. Mr. Somers seconded the motion. During discussion, Mr. Simpson suggested that if

the grader does not bring the minimum bid, Mr. Oakley pulls the grader off the market and waits for the spring to try to sell it again. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeases and no nos.

Town Clerk Brown mentioned that Ms. West and Mrs. Crandall-Smith have still not paid their redemption fees for their dogs. Mrs. Alger directed Mr. Franklin to talk to Judge Madden about the problem.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: Mr. Peter Hudiburg relayed information that he had gathered about the costs of heating the Town Garage. He talked about possible options to reduce this expense. Mr. Hudiburg also encouraged everyone to sign up with Delaware River Solar for their electricity use.

Ms. Jackie Kreiner asked if a person would have to be a resident of the Town in order to be on the Youth Committee. Mrs. Alger said that anyone could serve. Ms. Kreiner also asked how many people have accessed the Town website. Mrs. Brown will get that information.

Ms. Rhonda Fairbanks asked for a job description for the DCO and the Code Enforcement Officer. Mrs. Brown said that job descriptions, as written by the state, were available for viewing in the Town Clerk's office. There was some discussion about the Code Enforcement Officer's possible resignation or termination.

Ms. Fairbanks asked how much the backup DCO person was going to be paid. Mrs. Alger said he would be paid nothing except mileage.

Ms. Fairbanks also asked for an update on the possibility of getting a cell tower. Mrs. Alger said she would ask Mr. Matt Beckwith to come to the next meeting and tell everyone what progress has taken place.

The next Board meeting will be held on December 10, 2018 at 6:30pm.

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

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

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia E. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Virginia E. Brown
Plymouth Town Clerk
November 29, 2018