Selectmen and Board of Assessors meeting minutes for 12/03/2024

In attendance:

Willie Ingraham, Joshua Larrabee, Jeffrey Stevens, Ivy Larrabee, Sabrina Roberts

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Josh Larrabee

Previous meeting minutes were reviewed. Voted all in favor for approval.

The warrants were reviewed and signed.

Expense and Revenue reports were reviewed.

RE 241 has been upset about the ATV use on the Kenney Road. Per further discussion with Ivy, it is not actually the ATV's or dirt bikes going too fast. Resident feels that because there are signs for ATV use, other people feel they can race on the road. Ivy informed her this wasn't an ATV club or Selectmen issue, this is a matter for the police to deal with.

Ivy has been in contact with Direct Communication regarding the line down between the office and the state camp. They will put it on their list but could not provide a timeline for repair.

RE412 came in requesting an abatement as she was supposed to have a homestead applied in the past, but it was not. The Selectmen approved the 2024 abatement request for \$473.00 as this is the homestead exemption amount this year. Ivy will prepare the abatement and have it signed by the Selectmen on 12/17/2024. This will be processed 12/18/2024.

Morrill has been in contact with our office requesting attendance. They would like to have a group to offer support to each office if/ when needed. The Selectmen declined the invitation at this time. Per the email, they would like office staff to be available for other offices to use. Josh stated he didn't feel right putting that on someone else's plate without asking.

RE536 has been in the office and requested an abatement for the last 10 years for the homestead exemption. Ivy informed him he has had the exemption the last 3 years, and we are not able to abate more than a year back.

The Unity Ambulance is looking for a new representative for the Town of Knox for their committee. They are trying to have full time staff vs on call. Ivy will be emailing the town 12/04/2024 to request a new rep.

RE192 has requested a revaluation. Ivy and Josh will review the next time Jacky is in the office.

Josh noted the Abbott Road work is complete.

The Knox Station Road and the Flat road work was paused due to the snow storm and the freezing weather.

Kip Penney spoke to Josh before the meeting about possibly pulling out of the recycling center. Josh said this was an idea the Selectmen have tossed around as we are spending about \$16000 a year for that facility. If we pulled out, residents are still able to pay \$40 a year to use it, we just wouldn't

be members. Josh said ultimately this is a town vote, and we are putting an article in the warrant to discuss it.

Willie is still trying to get ahold of someone from Loretta Grass's family to present the Boston Cane to her.

J&J Recycling has resubmitted a proposal for monthly curbside recycling pick up. Josh stated he's been in contact with the owner regarding one specific resident who has now not been picked up for 6 months. He would like to not renew the contract as he does not feel is the best use of tax payer money. The other two Selectmen agreed.

Bo called Josh regarding the Bryant Road. The resident at the end of the road has a new dumpster in the way of a big plow truck turn around. Bo told Josh he would be using his smaller truck to plow this as he has no room for anything bigger.

Josh spoke that he'd like to replace Contessa's Sick time she used last week, as well as do a full week of pay this week. She has not physically been in the office but has been on call the entire time and helping still. All three Selectmen voted in favor of replacing her 9 hours of sick time used last week, and a full week of pay this week. Willie asked that we reevaluate this next meeting to see where we stand.

Meeting Adjourned 7:06pm