Town of Durham Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes December 9, 2019

1. Call to Order: Kevin Nadeau called the meeting to Order at 7:30 p.m., directly following a Special Town Meeting.

Members present: Kevin Nadeau, Chairman; Rob Pontau, Vice Chairman; Todd Beaulieu; Rich George; and Marc Farrin

Quorum: Quorum met with five (5) members present

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Done

- 3. Amendments to Agenda: None
- 4. Public Comment: None
- 5. Action/Discussion: None

6. Departments/Committees:

Road Commissioner Calvin Beaumier presents his report (see attached). Fire Chief Joseph Moore presents his report (see attached). TA/AA Ruth Glaeser presents her report. Lengthy discussion about marijuana ordinances. Ruth will follow up with Town Attorney to ask if Durham wants to start work on marijuana ordinances, where do we begin? This follow-up will be done by December 30.

7. Consent Agenda

Rich George Moves to Accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Marc Farrin Seconds. Motion Carries 5-0. 8. Selectmen's Comments:

Kevin Nadeau announces that the next regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 30, at the Durham Town Offices. A joint meeting of the Budget Committee and the Select Board will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2020.

Kevin Nadeau Moves to adjourn. Marc Farrin Seconds. Motion Carries 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Dion Meetings Secretary



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Durham Public Works Department Head Report 12-09-2019

- Public works crews have switched over to full winter mode with treating roads and plowing as well
 as putting up salt, after treating it with anti-icing agents. In-between events, the crews are busy
 washing the trucks free of the corrosive materials.
- Crooker continues working on shoulders on Meadow, Leighton, and Bowie Hill to wrap up the Bond work for 2019. They only have a few hundred feet left on Meadow. They are headed to Leighton Road tomorrow.
- Crooker continues paving in driveway transitions as weather permits. They just have a few driveways left to do.
- I am working with Crooker to get the 400 ft of Meadow Shimmed before they close the plant for the season. If they can't get to it, we will shim the holes with patch using the bucket loader.
- I went to Viking Cives and saw the new plow truck with the body on it. It went to paint today and we are hoping to get it before Christmas. I am told the paint department is behind so we are about a week wait before it gets in.
- Public Works still has driveway culverts to install that we have been trying to get to. We will be working those in between winter events.
- I have been working on a plan to add water tanks in the garage for truck washing storage. This will give us 1200 gals of reserve water and allow us to wash the trucks with 20 gpm instead of the 5 gals that we get currently. It is the volume of water that dilutes salt, not pressure. I should have the final drawing from the engineer by end of the week.
- Engineer is still working on a proposed plan to improve Day Road.



DURHAM FIRE & RESCUE Chief's Report on Department

Durham Select Board

12/10/19

<u>Report Date: 12/7/19</u>

General Overview:

• The department is currently functioning well with many discussions and projects underway.

Departmental Changes/Major Projects:

- <u>2020 Budget</u> 2020 Budget being finalized and will be working with the town administrator to prepare presentation.
- <u>Annual Mandatory Training</u> Scheduling and following up with all members for annual state compliance training as well as respiratory standard training.
- <u>Finalizing 2020 Goals –</u> Making a final goal and major project list for 2020. Much of it will focus around SOG revision, CIP projects and improvement of operational and safety standards.

Apparatus:

• Nothing new to report

Discussion Topics:

- <u>Retired apparatus disposition</u> Will be picked up the week of 12/9/19. The school was delayed, having to jump through the hoops of insuring the truck before they could be offered a temporary permit to move it.
- <u>Billing for Fire Department Responses</u> Looking for answers to the questions I submitted following the last. This was also brought up in a conversation with our current EMS billing agency and I have a tentative meeting with them on the 16th of this month to discuss the matter so I would like us to come to some consensus on which direction is best for me to move in.



• <u>2019 Budget Balance</u> – Compared to this time last year, we are in a very healthy and comfortable position. I believe this has happened for several reasons. Our most significant underspent line is labor. Given the positive balance, there are some late year purchases I would like to consider making. I am in no way suggesting a last minute spending spree, I will be making sure contingencies are planned for able to be utilized. I am simply requesting the board provide some guidance in what the process is for this, as the purchases wouldn't be from the lines originally designated for them.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph C. Moore Chief of Department