

Arrowsic Selectmen's Meeting

January 14, 2019

Present: Sukey Heard, Michele Gaillard, Walter Briggs, Mary McDonald, Barbara Boyce, Michael Kreindler, John White, Sheila Spear, Alison Heppler

#### **Affirmation of new Select Board Member**

Walter Briggs was sworn in by the Town Clerk.

#### **Treasurer's Report and Warrant:**

Warrants #12 (\$86,874.46), 12A (\$54,008.96) and 12B (\$175,000) were reviewed, approved and signed.

#### **Minutes:**

Minutes for 12/10/18 were reviewed and approved as amended.

#### **Meeting with State Representative Alison Heppler**

Rep. Heppler asked the Board to share any concern's which she would take to the Legislature. Concerns raised included:

1. Roads, specifically the continuing need to improve visibility at the Route 127-Route 1 intersection with suggestions including moving the intersection further north or limiting Route 1 southbound traffic with a single white line; the need to reduce the speed limit at the Route 127- Old State Road intersection; and the flooding of Route 127 at the marshes, which endangers the entire population of Georgetown and Arrowsic in an emergency.
2. Internet capacity, given the high cost of the proposed Three Bridges project; perhaps a bond issue or the Governor's commitment to improve rural access to the internet might be applicable. Representative Heppler took these issues under advisement.

#### **Delivery of new Fire Truck**

Michael Kreindler reported on the impending delivery of the new fire truck on January 26 at 9.30 am at the fire station. There will be training for volunteer firefighters on the new features. The Selectmen authorized the Treasurer to issue checks for \$100,000 and \$10,250, for the new truck and place them on the next warrant. The smaller amount will be withheld if there are any reservations about fulfillment.

#### **I.T. Policy**

John recommends that passwords in the Town Hall be changed every 90 days. Passwords on some state programs are controlled at that level. Laredo and Trio access passwords should be changed regularly. John will continue working with staff on this. He requested funding to provide a static IP address to improve security. The current malware system is not working well. He will review the computer files left by Bill, and will work with Burgess on the backup of Town Hall computers. The conversion of the Trio program to SQL will take place shortly.

The Selectmen approved the expenditure of \$5 per month for the purchase of a static IP address.

### **Appointment**

Ellen Kornrumpf was appointed to fill the one-year PFL Board vacancy assigned to Arrowsic.

### **Credit card payments in the Town Hall**

Training on the PayPort credit card system by the InforME department took place on January 10. Sukey, Barbara, Jon, Sheila, John and Mary attended. Mary will be the administrator and Barbara and Jon the frontline personnel. We are awaiting delivery of the credit card machine. It was noted that users of the credit card will have to pay a 2 ½% fee. Sheila will follow-up concerning the next steps in the on-line boat registration. The changes will be publicized when up and running.

### **Town Hall outside light**

Mike turned off the light, which had been staying on permanently, and will discuss with the Property Committee.

### **Abatements**

Sukey presented two assessing issues. An abatement has been requested for Map 5/ Lot 4-7 owned by Jon Biehler because the assessors did not correctly enter the requested Homestead exemption. The amount of the abatement is \$204.98. She requested the Tax Collector to issues a Supplementary Bill for Map 4/Lot 6 owned by Susan Fenn. This lot was transferred to Ms. Fenn from the Town, but the municipal exemption was not properly removed so she was not taxed in the regular round of tax bills. The amount of this bill is \$108.03,

### **Mail**

- MMA dues are going up to \$1768, a rise of a little over \$150. The formula is based on a combination of population and valuation.
- KELT is seeking input from the public on its request for accreditation renewal. It was noted that their past help had been much appreciated.
- Jon has received his certification for new vehicle registration, effective 1/12/19.
- Last month's Sagadahoc Sheriff Department incident report for Arrowsic received.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheila Spear