

TOWN OF LIVERMORE

Board of Selectpersons

MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2019

6:30 PM

BOARD: SCOTT RICHMOND, TOM GOULD, MARK CHRETIEN, WAYNE TIMBERLAKE

DEPT HEADS: RENDA GUILD, DON CASTONGUAY, AMY BYRON

RESIDENTS/GUESTS: DWIGHT HINES, ZACK KEMP, SHELBY ROBINSON, JEN FOSTER, BILL PICKARD, RENE OUELLETTE

PRESS: PAM HARN DEN

SELECT BOARD MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes - February 4, 2019
 - a. Wayne made the motion to approve the minutes; Second by Mark
 - b. VOTE: unanimous
3. Reports:
 - a. Town Clerk Report - RENDA
 - i. March 1 - Nomination papers become available. They must be returned by April 12th. There are two Select Board positions available: 1- 3 year term currently held by Mark; and 1 2-year term currently held by Tom. There are also 2 School Board positions available currently held by Steve Langlin and Shannon McDaniel. The petitions must include at least 25 signatures and no more than 50 signatures by registered voters.
 - ii. Renda asked the Board to nominate a candidate for Town Report Dedication and the Spirit of America Foundation award.
 - iii. Renda said she would be meeting with other department heads to brainstorm ideas for longevity bonuses
 - iv. She said it has been a little slow in the office, but expects it will pick up towards the end of the month.
 - b. Fire Department Report - DON
 - i. Don gave an update on Rescue 4. Donald presented a sample of the broken frame and the replacement materials used to make the repairs. He showed a video taken from under the truck showing the extent of damage that became evident after the body was removed. He stated the actual price came in higher than previously estimated due to the extent of damage. He stated the chassis was wire brushed and painted with POR while apart. He said Jeremy is building a boat & boat motor holder and the truck will be inspected and returned to service. Donald will monitor budget and conserve where he can. He said the other trucks are in good repair but expects we will face increasing repair costs as the trucks age.
 - c. Highway Foreman Report - AMY FOR ROGER

- i. Roger would like the Board and the residents to know they have handled 19 snow storms and 9 ice storms to date. The International is back from Morrison's and is running well. He anticipates posting roads next week and will be coordinating with area towns. He has cancelled the Road Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday due to an incoming storm.
 - ii. Tom: Question regarding letter sent to a resident regarding snow pushing. The resident denies pushing snow. Tom asked that we review the situation and if the letter was sent in error, retract letter. Amy will check with Roger; report back to Tom.
 - d. Treasurer Report - AMY
 - i. Excise Tax collected to date in February totals \$14,453.99, which is 47% of the monthly goal. We are currently working on a fleet renewal which should put collections above the goal.
 - ii. Most departments are at or below budget for this point in the year. Budget packets are complete and have been distributed to the Board and the Budget Committee. Workshops begin the first Wednesday in March.
 - iii. Amy reported there are 6 Real Estate accounts in Lien for unpaid 2017 taxes totaling \$7,639.14. They have until the close of business on Thursday to pay the 2017 taxes...after that they have 30 days to pay 2017, 2018, and 2019 taxes before Foreclosure.
 - iv. Amy reported there are 68 Real Estate accounts in Lien for unpaid 2018 taxes totaling \$54,395.65. One account has been paid off since the last meeting.
 - e. Administrative Report - AMY
 - i. Business is picking up in the office. New temporary staff is being trained.
 - ii. School budget workshops are in full swing. We anticipate some preliminary numbers in the next week or two.
 - iii. Amy and Donald attended a meeting with the Sheriff's Department and LF Police Department to work out details regarding the Mutual Aid Agreement. It was clarified that LFPD would only be dispatched if the Sheriff's Department and the State Police were unavailable.

4. Open Tax Acquired Property Bids

- a. Ten bids were received. The highest bid was entered by Mark Whiting of Livermore Falls in the amount of \$15,100. The deposit check was included. Amy will contact Mr. Whiting. The second highest bidder was in attendance and asked if the bid fell through, to contact him as he was still interested. He asked Amy to hold his deposit check until Mr. Whiting's intentions could be determined. The Bid Summary form and bid documents will be filed in the Office.

5. Old Business

- a. NONE

6. New Business

- a. NONE

7. Public Comment

- a. NONE

8. Executive Session - 1 MRSA § 405 (6) (F) - Poverty Abatement Application

- a. Tom made the motion to enter Executive Session to consider a Poverty Abatement Application at 7:08 PM; Second by Scott
- b. VOTE: unanimous

- c. Scott made the motion to exit Executive Session at 7:18 PM; Second by Wayne
- d. VOTE: unanimous

→ Scott made the motion to approve an abatement of 2017 Taxes; Second by Tom VOTE: unanimous

9. Adjourn - 7:20 PM

- a. Mark made the motion to adjourn; Second by Scott
- VOTE: unanimous