

Minutes for the Dallas Plantation

Board of Assessors

Tuesday February 7, 2023

Assessors Present: Linda Jones, Patti Ellis and Mark Bridges.

Public Present: None.

Acceptance of Minutes January 24, 2023: Linda moved to accept; Mark seconded; 3-0.

Tax Collector: None.

Treasurer: Bills reviewed and paid. This pay period is the first period where Paychex was used to process employee pay checks. Linda Dexter questioned if the board would like to change the pay date from Wednesday to Friday in the event the board does not approve a timecard. The board discussed and decided to maintain Wednesday as the established pay date. If something needs to be adjusted on a timecard the adjustment will be noted and made during the following pay period.

Ongoing Business

Town House: Katrina will order *bump* signs.

Maintenance Contractors: George Crosson said he can make necessary fixes to the truck garage door but won't be available to complete until the Fall. The board voted unanimously to hire George for this project. George noted interest in filling the maintenance position with the town. Patti made a motion to hire George to fill this position. Mark seconded. Unanimous vote 3-0 to hire George.

Winter Roads: Things are frozen and looking good.

Broadband Update: The town is waiting on Fidium Fiber to issue an official press release. Some residents service has been activated.

Emergency Mitigation: Linda met with FEMA, MEMA, and Franklin County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) to review the reimbursement claim for Storm Elliott clean up expenses. Photos, quantity of debris removed, and how the debris was processed, along with financial debts were provided to substantiate the claim. Linda learned there is specific funding available for storm damaged cemeteries. Patti offered to walk in to the Bubier Cemetery to check for damage.

Linda resubmitted the Hazard Mitigation Municipal Survey. Areas of concern noted for the town of Dallas Plantation include several roads that are susceptible to flooding,

severe storms, the amount of acreage that is wooded and poses a risk of forest fire, our senior population, and roads that are dead ends. The County is updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan seeking to identify areas of concern with available funding of mitigation projects. Funding for road improvements seems readily available and the forest service is establishing forest fire mitigation strategies.

LUPC: LUPC is due to meet on February 8th. The Prospective Zoning Plan for the Rangeley Lakes Region is included on the agenda. LUPC's 2022 Outreach Report and Recommendations on the next steps for the area will be linked on the home page of the website under announcements.

Quarterly Regional Meeting: No official meeting set. The Board of Selectmen in Rangeley has been discussing a possible proposal for the area municipalities to hire weekend police coverage.

Meeting: Next Assessors Meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2023, at 6:00PM.

Motion: Linda motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 PM.

Second: Mark seconded.

Action: Meeting adjourned at 6:41 PM.

Minutes: Taken by Katrina Gacki