

Haverhill Corner Precinct
Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2023
6:30 PM

Attendance: Doug Dutile, Mike Lavoie, Albie Estes, and Mary Ann Rood

Public Meeting called to order at 6:33

Public Attendance: Paula and Tom Gillen

Public Budget Hearing: Doug Dutile reviewed the overall budget. The precinct budget hardly moved. The water budget is up 43%. Doug Dutile explained that this was due to revenue loss. District suffered loss of farms, which utilize a lot of water. Additionally, we have delinquent accounts. There are several in the district that are unable to pay their water bills. Mike Lavoie also explained how the amount farmers use for cows is huge. Mike said that three houses alone have water shut off and we are not sure when or if they will ever be turned back on, which also includes the trailer park. Paula Gillen asked about article 04 (warrant) regarding the land purchase. And, questioned what “unanticipated funds” meant. There was a discussion regarding the land purchase and how it would benefit the precinct. Mike Lavoie explained that using the money for this purpose would benefit and protect the precinct. Doug Dutile explained that the unanticipated funds were a result of taxes from a previous year and the resulting interest collected on the account. The Gillens mentioned Dan Boutin and his impending retirement (from the precinct, not his business) and the precinct’s decision to sign on with Woodsville Water & Light.

Motion to close public meeting by Doug Dutile at 7:05. Second by Mike Lavoie. All in favor.

Break

Precinct meeting called to order at 7:13

Approve Agenda: motion to approve by Mike Lavoie. Second by Albie Estes. All in favor.

Approve prior meeting minutes: motion to approve by Doug Dutile. Second by Mike Lavoie. All in favor.

Approve Manifest: reviewed and signed by all three commissioners.

Old Business:

Review all warrant article drafts: Mike Lavoie confirmed numbers for land purchase and spoke with Earl and told him we were moving ahead with the warrant article for land purchase. The precinct will cover the expenses. Discussion on remaining warrants. Correction to warrant #6.

New Business:

Treasures report from Barb: Doug provided financials for Barb.

Unanticipated funds \$55,945.37 / Water/Now Checking \$53,862.46 / Donations \$3,164.94 / Building Acct. \$85,669.23

Water Dept. System: Contract with Woodsville Water & Light Department: Doug Dutile made it official that he and Mike Lavoie signed the contract with Woodsville Water & Light. Albie Estes will need to sign as well. Contract effective February 1, 2023. Doug Dutile spoke with Dan Boutin and informed him about the takeover. The alarms will have to be switched over to Woodsville. Dan Boutin wants to go over some stuff with Woodsville because the system has changed. Discussion about the takeover. One year contract.

Other Business: census request – per Albie Estes, this request is not mandatory

Motion to adjourn by Doug Dutile. Second by Mike Lavoie. All in favor.

Adjourned at 7:35