Selectmen's Meeting Minutes March 9, 2020

At the Selectmen's Meeting held on Monday, March 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. the following people were in attendance: Stanley Holz, Peter Corey, and John Tholl.

John Tholl Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rob Larson said he was going to postpone the discussion on the loader, as he is getting more information and will get back to the Board when he gets more information.

Rob had paperwork for the Board of Selectmen to sign to submit for the grant for the vehicular charging station.

Shawn White was in attendance and had some questions on the loader. Shawn contacted Rob that the loader he got was too small. He feels the one we were got is too small, and he wants to be sure we get something bigger. Rob said he looking to go to a 926. Shawn said that he hates to see us get something that is not going to be useful.

The Board reviewed the warrant and budget for tomorrow night's town meeting with Moderator, Bruce Brekke.

Mr. Larson reviewed with the Board that the 918 loader that was originally quoted was a direct replacement of what we had. For years it has been undersized and we have known it. Rob said not knowing it was undersized as no one told him it was undersized when he spec'd it out he used the 918 loader specs. Shawn notified Rob last week and said that loader you are ordering is undersized. Rob said that he asked for a new quote only from CAT. He did not reach out to John Deere and Case as their original quote for the 918 was considerably more than the CAT quote. Rob went back to CAT for a 926 quote, which they requoted. CAT is a 7-year warranty. 7 year payment plan--\$24,700—It is \$5,000 more a year over 7 years. Rob said he also found out the forks have been welded 6 to 8 times and really need to be replaced. Rob needs to replace the forks with new forks, which is \$4,000. He had one fitted for the 926 and the rest will be no down-payment with \$25,000 a year payment. Rob said we do not need to increase the budget at all. It is a shared cost between highway, water and sewer. Equipment rental in the highway budget covers their share. To get knew forks, he is using that as the down payment and the rest will be included in the budget. Peter thought it might be worth checking on the price for the forks and see if we can get a better deal.

A motion was made by Peter Corey to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2020 and February 19, 2020 Selectmen Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Stanley Holz. All in favor, 3-0. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.