



TOWN OF DEERING

762 Deering Center Road
Deering, NH 03244

Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes – 19 January 2023

Members present: Chairman Roy Watson, Vice Chair William Whisman, Selectman Jill Smith
Also present: Town Administrator Peter Flynn, Minutes Taker Elizabeth Kirby

Regular meeting called to order: 7:00pm
Pledge of Allegiance

Item 1: Action on Consent Agenda

- Public Minutes – 5 January 2023, Non-Public 1 & 2 - 5 January 2023

One correction noted. Page 5, Name correction. Mr. Watson moved to approve minutes as amended, Mr. Whisman seconded, all in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

LUCT Abatement Request - Map 240 Lot 10; Map 240 Lot 10-1-Girard

Mr. Watson summarized the LUCT abatement request. Selectman Smith recuses herself, stating she is an abutter. Mr. Watson motions to deny the abatement request per Avitar's recommendation. Whisman seconds. Watson, Whisman – yay. Motion passed, 2-0.

LUCT Abatement Request - Map 228 Lot 8- Ricker

Mr. Watson: Briefly there was a discrepancy between the acreage shown on our map and the actual recorded measurements of this lot. It affects whether land use correctly calculated. Avitar provided two action options and recommended option 1.

Watson moves to deny the abatement request due to it being submitted after the cutoff and per Avitar's recommendation. Whisman seconded, all in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

- Consent Agenda
Employee Payroll – 9 January and 17 January 2023
Accounts Payable Manifest – 9 January and 18 January 2023

Mr. Watson moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Mr. Whisman seconded, all in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

1st Public Comment

None.

Item 2: Reconsideration of Public Hearing Speak Policy – Discussion of Clarification of “Public Hearing” rules pertaining to authorized and/or legal speakers.

Mr. Watson: We got some legal direction on this.

Mrs. Smith: Public hearing is different than a public meeting. With a public meeting the board can put some control on who they allow to speak. With a public hearing you can control certain aspects of it. According to the legal interpretation that we received from the New Hampshire Municipal Association (NHMA), they say if we put a restriction on who could speak, we are opening ourselves up to great risk and invite a law suit. I asked we go back and reconsider the vote that was taken at the last meeting because that was specific to public hearings. The

lawyer did recommend if you do want to be able to control that instead of calling is a public hearing that you call it a public meeting.

Mr. Watson: How do we want to do these regular commentaries. Do we want to open it up to all? Any thoughts on limitations?

Mrs. Smith: Public comment would be public. If you want to limit it to Deering residents only, you would have to call it that.

Mr. Flynn: Most towns have public meetings and restrict it to residents however if it's a non-resident the board can take a vote to waive it for that particular. You have that privilege.

Mr. Whisman: When it comes to our town people that are not from our town, I feel, have no right to speak on our town business. When it comes to our town public meetings, we can restrict those however we have employees that don't live here with a vested interest they work here they should be allowed to speak just like we do at Town Meeting. Public comment, that is what it is. But public hearing for the fire department, that's dealing with our town, that should have been a public meeting.

Mrs. Smith: I move to reconsider the vote taken which was to allow only town residents to speak at any public hearings. Mr. Watson second the motion to reopen the vote on the matter described.

Mr. Flynn: You've allowed amongst yourselves to bring it back up. Now you have a new motion, now is the time to do that. On this particular matter, the floor is now open to reconsider this vote and nothing else at this time. On the matter of this vote.

All in favor? Motion passed 3-0.

Discussion ensued to consider who shall be allowed to speak during public meetings, public comment.

Mr. Flynn asked to table this to get more legal advice on this topic.

Mr. Watson: the vote we are going to take is to allow interested parties to speak at a public hearing so long as they provide their main address and can provide if they're residents or not.

Mr. Watson made a motion to rescind the action of the public meeting required where we placed restrictions on who could speak. Mrs. Smith seconded. All in favor? Motion passed 3-0.

Item 3: Fire Chief LeBlanc and Great Brook Contractor Christopher Rousseau – Continuation of 15 December 2022, PUBLIC HEARING – re: Fire/EMS Proposals and future outside contracted services or inhouse staffing plans and building, safety, and construction recommendations.

Fire Chief LeBlanc did not make the meeting and asked Captain Kris Parece to attend in his place.

Chris Rousseau apologized for missing the last meeting due to having to make calls. Owner Great Brook EMS. Since 2010 – Relocating to Hillsborough from Pembroke. 20-25 employees, full and part-time and 6 ambulances. Historically have done transfers which means bringing patients from facility to facility, hospital to nursing homes, hospice, etc. Also cover events like sporting events, where an ambulance is required. Full disclosure, I am a member of the Deering Fire Department as well. EMS provider.

I was asked to provide a quote for full time ambulance services for the town. I provided the town with a document. Previous year 280 calls – around 30 fire calls only. 30-35 called for ambulance but did not need transport. Actual transport calls about 220. Slowly the calls have been increasing over the years. For us to provide a quote to the town – we take a look at total calls, a guestimation of what we anticipate what the collections from the ambulance would be.

In the report, types of payers. A vast majority of Medicare/Medicaid patients, 73%, a small percentage will be NH Medicaid program, small percentage self-pay or private insurance. \$150,000.00 income generated from the calls. Service: Advance Life Support – BLS, EMT, ALS – advance paramedic level
Estimated operational expenses. Current pay rates, payroll taxes, fuel costs, vehicle repair costs, consumables, etc. \$400,000.00 range All public knowledge. Can be checked.

This leaves a disparity around - \$300,000.00.

\$320,000.00 estimated cost to the town.

Mrs. Smith asked why the proposal changed and Chris explained originally when asked it was an estimate based on the calls for 8 months but now this quote is based off actual number of calls for the full year. Adjustments were made based on fuel increases and a full year.

Mr. Whisman: When you do the Medicare you don't go after additional funds?

Chris Rousseau: Medicare has a predetermined cost. Anything above that we have to eat that cost.

Mr. Whisman: What about people that don't have insurance? How do you handle that situation? There are some people that can't afford insurance.

Chris Rousseau: We deal with that a lot. We utilize a third-party billing company, called Quick Med Claims. They go through a 30/60/90 day process of trying to collect where they can either use a reduced amount or payment plan. If that doesn't work then the bill gets sent to a collection company where they will settle for less on the dollar and if that doesn't work it falls off the table all together at that point.

Mr. Watson: You're constructing new facilities in Hillsborough. Would you still be needing to use the facility in Deering?

Chris Rousseau: Yes, we would. Where we are is going to be commercially zoned but not necessarily zoned for overnight accommodation. To do that there is a process we have to go through and that is not anything would happen in the immediate future.

Mr. Whisman: It would be a manned station?

Chris Rousseau: 2 providers with an ambulance.

Mr. Whisman: Is that an ambulance you provide?

Chris Rousseau: It's an ambulance we provide.

Mr. Whisman: And you guys provide all supplies, everything?

Chris Rousseau: That is correct. In order for use to be licensed with the NH EMS we have to have all trucks inspected and storage for back up meds, etc.

Mr. Watson: Updated quote won't be updated online yet. The original quotation. The last meeting. The variance is going from \$225,000 to \$320,000 for the first year.

Chris Rousseau: That's correct.

Mrs. Smith: Some of the things you see the difference in the charge is that the original amount was basing his revenue on was the 250 calls.

Chris Rousseau: We were able to get more accurate data as it's the end of the year.

Mrs. Smith: Would you be able to share that data with us?

Chris Rousseau: Public information. The chief should be able pull that up.

Mrs. Smith: Is there an option to have you fill in the 10 hour shifts.

Chris Rousseau: Potentially, yes. Right now, we contract employees to have 12 or 24 hour shifts. Which is standard for municipal services shift. We could look at it. A little more difficult to market.

Mrs. Smith: Is there any way to step that to get there?

Chris Rousseau: Yes, we can look at it.

Mrs. Smith: Would you be able to keep them per diem out of your location?

Chris Rousseau: As long there is no overnight. Deering is a bedroom community. Most of the residents here work outside of town. Increase populace at night and summers. Majority of calls come in at night. Weekends people want to recreate. For us to come in and replace your per diem during the day but the majority coming in at night where the pager goes out right now.

Mr. Watson: What if we do the opposite, have you cover nights?

Chris Rousseau: That's doable but it requires us to be in town overnight accommodations.

Steve Diers, Clement Hill Road: You're not a 24-hour operation currently?

Chris Rousseau: Currently we are not a 24-hour operation. I have my statistics. I know what the high there just aren't a lot of transfers after 11:00pm. There are other ambulance services that do overnight transfers. Our philosophy has always been we do not compete with other ambulance service. We try to work a partnership. For instance, in Keene if they don't have enough trucks they'll ask us to send over a truck to help them out. They

may have maintenance issues. There isn't a reason for us to be 24-hour right now. We have the ability we just haven't been called to do it.

Mrs. Smith: Have any other towns approached you?

Chris Rousseau: I would say about 2 years ago or so. I approached Stoddard and Marlow – Marlow wanted to use their own. Stoddard was with Antrim. Since then Stoddard has broken with Antrim. Washington has their own per diem service. They're insisting on maintaining their own. I told them we're here and available. If we came up with a cooperative agreement with Deering, then I would approach those towns and maybe try collaborating.

Mrs. Smith: Are you part of the mutual aid system? How do you interact with mutual aid? I didn't see your logo on the website.

Chris Rousseau: We are private, we are not in the mutual aid system. Being a private, independent ambulance service, we provide service in many mutual aid systems. Because we are not a 911 contracted service, we're not in that mutual aid system. If we do end up as a 911 contracted service then we would provide mutual aid as requested.

Mr. Watson: You would be the 911 provider here in town.

Chris Rousseau: That's correct. That would be the gateway to get into the mutual aid system in the capital area. We want to continue to be good partners and good neighbors. It's for the betterment of the community.

Mrs. Smith: What's being proposed here, is this something you're hoping to work towards, or we asked about it and now you're thinking about it?

Chris Rousseau: No, as I eluded to before. I approached other boards. It's something we clearly want to get into. For me, it's a good way to recruit more EMS providers. We're not going to be someone that solely does 911 and we're not someone who solely contacts. We have an opportunity to provide quite a variety for our employees. Good employee retention program.

Steve Diers: Where you're a local guy, I would imagine you would recruit locally?

Chris Rousseau: That is correct. We've already put out on Facebook groups to target the local area. We'll pay for your certification. We'll pay for your school and pay for you to work. We want it to be family-oriented. I go to a lot of calls, and I know a lot of the people. Some people I've known since I was a kid in school. It's nice to see a face you recognize. I haven't targeted larger.

Steve Diers: Are you aware, speaking of recruiting, that the Hillsborough-Deering School has community service hours? Could you get involved in that?

Chris Rousseau: We have actually taken on kids from other school districts and gotten them into EMT programs and stuff like that. I don't know the specifics. I haven't approached the school. If we end up partnering with you then it's a huge recruitment tool for us. Right now my full time job, and I've been there for 17-18 years, is at the State Fire Academy. We run fire programs at the local schools. That way when they get out of school, they have some certifications and for us it's a recruiting tool to get people into our profession. There is a national shortage.

Mr. Watson: Anyone else have anything?

Mrs. Smith: Knowing our situation here, with the ambulance needing replacement, we're not sure whether to purchase a new ambulance. Is there anything you might propose?

Chris Rousseau: Hire us? (laughter) I'm aware of your ambulance situation. These guys do a good job out of keeping it on the road. Hard miles on the vehicle. They idle a long time to keep the crew warm. They see a lot of use. If we were to contract with Deering, we would use one ambulance for Deering. One crew.

Mr. Watson: For Great Brook to provide the ambulance for full-time only.

Chris Rousseau: For us that line of breaking point. We would say be here on a 24-hour basis- we would have one truck for Deering. For part-time service we wouldn't guarantee the same truck each time.

Mr. Whisman: Coming from your station to say East Deering, a little more time to get out to these areas.

Chris Rousseau: Coming from across from Rymes, it would add time.

Mr. Watson: If something happens with the bridge, there's a choke point.

Steve Diers: How would you measure year-over-year?

Chris Rousseau: One year partnership. You folks can evaluate us. Maybe you just don't like us. This gives you the opportunity to say you just have to go. This also gives us the opportunity to evaluate. I just want to be sure you're happy with our service. I'm proposing one year. Hey, this worked out well. Then I would propose 3-5 year contract. That would be my proposal.

Dave Delorey: If you go to the one year contract and it proves not to be feasible? How do we get the ambulance certification back?

Chris Rousseau: Good question. I would suggest, I don't want to speak on behalf of the chief, if I was in his shoes, I would not let the certification go. Keep the transport license. If for any reason things go sideways, then you haven't lost anything and you have an ambulance.

Dave Delorey: I think you're a smart guy by the way.

Steve Diers: If you're going to put this on a percentage scale, what are the chances of this going sideways?

Chris Rousseau: I would say it's a very Low percentage. The proposal I put in here I feel pretty good about that. You have access to me. I know that the working relationship with the fire department is good. We would cross-license. It encourages good interagency relationships. We're more than happy to be involved in the community events like the truck show at the airport. It's the right thing to do to have the ambulance there.

Stephen Fogelson: If we have 24-hour coverage. We would be participating in mutual aid but you also said the ambulance would be dedicated to Deering.

Chris Rousseau: Just like now, it's also lent out just like other communities lend us theirs.

Mr. Watson: Anyone else?

Mrs. Smith: Would you put together an additional proposal that would provide coverage for high points?

Mr. Watson: I don't think we lose anything getting more options.

Chris Rousseau: It's better to have more options.

Mrs. Smith motions to close the Public Hearing. Mr. Watson seconds. All in favor? Motion passed 3-0.

New Business:

Item 4: Required Warrant Articles for renewal of Veterans Exemption on tax bills plus Warrant Article request for Police Cruiser – Peter Flynn

Mr. Flynn: All the towns of NH had to revisit the Veteran's Exemption RSA. The legislature changed it to add various things. What I'm concerned about is not losing the one you have now. In order not to lose that, you have to readopt it to the wording I have here. \$500 veteran's exemption. If you were not to put it on the Warrant, it would go back to the \$50 exemption. It's a formality. I'm asking it to be allowed to be put on the warrant. You're not voting on the warrant.

Mr. Watson: I'll make a motion to add to the warrant 'To see if the town will vote in accordance with RSA 72:27-a to readopt the provisions of RSA 7228, II, previously adopted, for the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit at \$500.00 per year. If readopted, the All-Veterans' Tax Credit previously adopted, will also be \$500.00 per year, the same amount as the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit. If readopted and approved, this article shall take effect for the 2023 property tax year.' Mr. Whisman seconded. All in favor? Motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Whisman: Just to be clear it's \$500 just for the Veterans.

Mr. Flynn: I'll clarify for you.

Mr. Whisman: This will only apply to honorable discharge.

Mr. Flynn: The Police sent it to me. As we're working toward the warrant I want to make sure we do this perfectly. Cross the t's and dot the i's. You people are legally forwarding this to the warrant.

Mr. Watson: At this time, I want to make a motion to adopt for the warrant the following:

"Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of \$33,440.40 to be used for the purchase of a new patrol vehicle for the Police Department, to include the purchase of various necessary additional equipment for said patrol vehicle, and the costs of transfer of certain re-useable equipment and the installation of new equipment, with the Board of Selectmen being named the agents to expend. The monies for this purchase will include \$30,650.00 from the Cruiser Replacement Trust Fund and \$33,440.00 to be raised by taxation."

Mr. Whisman seconded. Mrs. Smith requests discussion and notes that the vehicle may not be received and invoiced in 2024 and requests that the warrant article be amended to reflect placing the amount to be raised into the Police Vehicle Expendable Trust Fund. All in favor. Motion approved as amended 3-0.

Item 5: Proposed revision of Part Time Benefits pertaining to Holiday Pay

Mr. Flynn: The town clerk sent you a letter, the board, relative to employees in town do not get holiday pay or any kind of break. If it's a holiday, they don't work and don't get paid. You can't have someone that works 4 hours

getting paid for holidays. There should be an average. Other towns have 16 hours to receive holiday pay. Must be permanent part-time. I've put together a couple of motions to make this legal. There are three motions. One is to implement a new part-time category of Permanent Part-time employee which requires an employee to be employed an average of 16 hours per week annually. This category is included in the Deering Section 1: 4. Employee classifications.

Part-time – Employee manual section 1.4 – any hours not equaling 35 hours would be considered part-time in general with no required set hours just that they be under 35 hours.

Suggested Motion: The Town shall implement a new part time category of Permanent Part-Time which requires an employee to be employed an average of minimum 16 hours per week annually.

This category should be included in the Deering Town Personnel Policies under Section 1.4 Employment Classifications.

A change in this Part-time definition as originally implemented in the manual should reflect new language in the existing policy:

Suggested Motion: Part-Time Employees to work less than 35 hours per week and (adding language) and not meeting the average week of 16 hours.

Suggested Motion: All employees who work an average of 16 hours a week will be granted holidays as specified in the Town's Holiday Schedule for full time employees as specified in Section 4.3 of the Employee Manual.

Mr. Whisman: How did you come up with 16 hours?

Mr. Flynn: This is what is done in other towns? You can use whatever amount of hours want.

Mr. Watson: Do we have anyone that works less than 16 hours?

Mr. Flynn: I don't believe so. We have two employees that this would qualify for.

Mr. Whisman: What about the police chief assistant?

Mr. Flynn: That would include her, too.

Mr. Watson: Per diem employees?

Mr. Flynn: No, that would be police and fire. Separate agreements. You'd be paid time and a half on holidays. This is clerical.

Mr. Whisman: They don't work on a Monday and Friday which are when most holidays fall unless Christmas and that fell on a Wednesday. I think we should take care of part-time employees. But honestly, If they don't work on a certain day, they can come in another day. I don't know. I have a hard time with this. It could open that up to a big, huge things.

Mrs. Smith: I raised this concern with Meagen when reviewing payroll. Before I receive the letter from Carol. Acting Chief Cavanaugh worked the holiday and didn't get holiday pay or time and a half. It's not in there so he didn't receive it. He's also part-time.

Mrs. Smith: I would like to see permanent part-time not include probationary employees.

Mr. Watson: Do we want to add specific language?

Mr. Whisman: Up until now I've never seen any part-timers get holiday pay.

Mrs. Smith: In retail my employer gave us holiday pay. It was critical as a part-timer.

Mr. Flynn: They get paid holiday for only the hours they would work.

Discussion went back and forth.

Mr. Flynn: This doesn't require immediate attention. Put it on old business.

Mr. Watson: There are a number of deficiencies in the personnel policies. We'd like to make a concerted effort.

Mr. Whisman: Table it to another day.

Old Business:

Item 6: Deering Patriotic Committee

Donn Mann III, Manselville Road: The information was emailed to the TA.

Mr. Watson read the Mission Statement & Bylaws document. -See attached for all details regarding.

Mr. Whisman: I would recommend alternates.

Mr. Watson: 2?

Donn Mann: I just want to get this done.

Discussion - 2 Alternates, staggered terms of 1 and 3-years.

Mrs. Smith clarifies the change - "comprised of three (3) voting members *and* (2) *alternates* serving staggered 3-year terms."

Mr. Watson: Make a motion to approved the mission statement and bylaws as amended. Whisman seconded. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

Mrs. Smith moves to appoint to the Deering Patriotic Committee - Mr. Donn Mann for a 3-year term, Mr. John Reynolds for a 2-year term and Mrs. Kirby for 1-year term. Watson seconds. All in favor.

Mrs. Smith moves to appoint to the Deering Patriotic Committee - Ruth Reynolds as Alternate for a 3-year term.

Mr. Watson seconded. All in favor? Motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Watson: TA will get the proper paperwork with Mr. Mann.

Mr. Whisman: Congrats to the Deering Patriotic Committee.

Item 7: Town Administrator Report:

Mr. Flynn: Last day at Hooksett. I'm now full time committing to Deering! I'm thrilled. I'm focused on the Warrant and budget.

Requesting proposal from new auditing firm. Someone I dealt with before. Not committing. Just to get an idea of what they can do.

Mrs. Smith: Can you get one more for bid formally?

Management letter received from Melanson. Present auditor. We finally got it after some pressure.

Contact with Brad Frye regarding OHRV Trails – in conjunction with Hillsborough policy. For 3 or 4 months they've been trying to get information. He was very happy I called. Trying to get educated.

New policy considerations for Board approval in the next few weeks. One has to do with how to run the meetings. Not criticizing the chairman. Just to make it a smoother operation.

TD Bank Card on hold – using Peter's personal card for immediate need at hand - to be reimbursed. Working out the details. \$30 a month for 3 months. We proceeded to get the software updated.

Elizabeth Kirby to continue minutes – still not sure if paid or unpaid.

Paving issue in front door area of Town Hall – ongoing for review of past discussions. It's pretty rough. TA to follow up to have it paved. It is being followed up on.

Mr. Whisman: Pavers and gravel?

Mr. Watson: Continue the motif of the Library pavers. It's slosh on voting days.

Talking with the Road Agent – scheduling a tour of the town and roads. I've been getting calls regarding road condition. I'm excited to get to these things.

Item 8: Selectmen's Report

Mrs. Smith: Betsy brought this to my attention as Supervisor of the Checklist. They have 3 computers upstairs and they are having some serious issues. Betsy can speak better to it than I can. It's not in the budget so it'd come out of the Computer Trust Fund. She can explain what she needs.

Elizabeth Kirby: We have 3 laptops for 3 Supervisors and just trying to get them to start up is taking 30 minutes so we called in Granite State computers for a free estimate. At first someone said we needed new computers but

they're only from 2020 so what he found was we need to increase the RAM from 4GB to 16GB to make everything move a little faster and replace the hard drive and bring those up to 500GB.

Mr. Whisman: What are they at right now?

Elizabeth: 4GB – I called the State to see what they recommended, and they said 16GB RAM and 256GB hard drive but Granite State said the 500GB drive is the same price.

Mr. Flynn: Do we know what we have now?

Mrs. Smith: It's not necessarily that she needs the storage – with only 4GB the operating system is already bogging things down.

Mr. Watson: No restrictions?

Elizabeth: He will back up all the data, reconfigure and reinstall the entire system.

Mr. Whisman: How much to have all that done?

Elizabeth: \$1,056 to have all three done. He can do it in a day and we need these for Tuesday's session. We've been struggling with these laptops for all the elections so we have the funds in the computer systems trust fund. This is saving a ton of money.

Mr. Watson: I'm sure with 16GB RAM and 500GB drive they should last a long time.

Elizabeth: They should last us at least 3 years.

Mr. Watson: Do you want to make a motion?

Mrs. Smith moves approve the expenditure of \$1,056 to Granite State Computers out of the Computer System Expendable Trust Fund. Mr. Watson seconded. All in Favor. Motion passed 3-0. Elizabeth notes that she is preparing the necessary paperwork for Trustee of Trust Fund review and approval.

Elizabeth: Thank you!

Mrs. Smith: Kris, do you think you could answer a question on behalf of the Chief? If Murdough were to be decommissioned as an active station, what has to be done to have that happen? So it doesn't require an engine and so we'd be down to 2 manned stations.

Kris Parece: We'd have to move equipment. We'd have to add to the Donovan station. We need a shelter for the Engine. The boat was going in the additional bay at Donovan.

Mrs. Smith: Tanker 1 was scheduled to be replaced in 2025, but the Chief had noted that Engine 2 was more pressing concern for replacement.

Kris Parece: Please clarify –

Mrs. Smith: One at Donovan and one at McAllister.

Kris Parece: We can't eliminate an engine. We lost a vehicle in a car accident. One of the tankers. Our old engine is very slow... we got rid of that so we did already downsize by one. To get rid of engine 2, you can't do that.

Mrs. Smith: The next thing I was going to mention was for the CIP - we have a draft document. I wasn't sure what to do with that line item.

Kris Parece: By the sizes of the town and population we need the three engines.

Mr. Watson: The only thing I have is that we have Town Reports due. Normally it's written by the chairman. I'd like to go around the horn. Does anyone have highlights/lowlights of the year. The deadline is coming up.

Mr. Whisman: I'll send something into you.

Mr. Flynn: Send me your comments and I'll create the report for you.

Mrs. Smith: Meagan found that our contract is from 2021, Back Bay. She's found some limitations. She has some questions on protection and how to figure that.

Mr. Flynn: We're looking into that but let's not get into that now.

Public Comment #2:

Jeremiah Smith, 25 Locke Farm Road - Forestry vehicle.. when was the last time that thing ran?

Kris Parece: In the wintertime we drain the tanks and store it.

Jeremiah Smith: If it hasn't run in a while, the battery, tires, etc., if not run, repairs could be around \$6000. That model's an old version and it might be worth looking into about investing money on. It's a great vehicle.

Lou Ellen Beard, Fish and Game Road: When could we expect to be notified on the meeting for the quincennial? Seeing how we are cruising right along. We don't have much time to proceed.

Mr. Watson: We should get one of those scheduled. My best answer is soon.

Lou Ellen Beard: Sooner rather than later, I hope. There are not a lot of people on the committee. We should be promoting it. We have a lot of talent in town and I don't think this is something we want to fall on our faces with. I take this seriously having lived here my whole life.

Mr. Watson: Anyone else? Going one? Twice?

Mr. Watson: At this time, we're going to non-public.

Mr. Whisman: I make a motion to request a non-public. Mr. Watson seconded. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Kirby.