

TOWN OF SHARON
Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting

Draft until approved at next meeting

January 26, 2016

Brent Colley called the regular meeting to order at 2 PM with the following in attendance: Dale Jones, Jessica Fowler, Bob Carberry, Ed Wilbur, Howard Randall, Mary Robertson, Betsy Hall, Jamie Casey and Brent Prindle (taping for Channel 6).

The Agenda, as posted, was taken in order with the addition of Transfer Station update following Mr. Carberry's report via motions of Fowler/Jones with in favor.

The minutes of the previous meeting held January 12, 2016 were reviewed and the following clarifications were made and amended via motions of Jones/Fowler with all in favor:

First full paragraph beginning with Janet Carlson.....5th line to be changed to: *It would also help the transportation network to make it easier to access places by car, bicycle, transit, rail and on foot, as well as promote a well-connected network of off road bicycle/pedestrian facilities.* The second to last sentence in the same paragraph was corrected to *Each member.* On the second page, second paragraph: *Both Sharon and Salisbury are working on the final draft of the STEAP Grant application to be submitted by Friday, 1/15/16. Each town is applying for \$500,000 to help pay for the proposed Transfer Station.*

There was no Public Comment

Road Foreman Bob Carberry was in attendance to update the Board and present a written report (on file) on work completed and progressing since December 22, 2015. The list was reviewed and all questions were answered. The Town has taken delivery of the new 550, which will need to be returned to for a damaged-in-transit under body box—however it is out on the job today. Bob presented his draft budget for

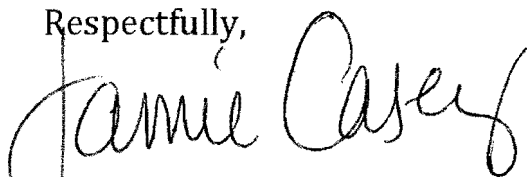
the coming year (also written and on file). He and the Board agreed to look at future equipment needs with attention to the replacement of the Grader. This has been on a "replacement plan" for a number of years and has required a great deal of maintenance. Bob and the Board noted that almost ½ of Sharon Roads are dirt and this type of machine is needed. His written documentation of the repairs needed on the unit is on file. All members thanked Bob for his time and the efforts being put forth with the Town Crew and the garage facility.

Transfer Station: Jessica provided a just received update from Curtis Rand on the USDA and their participation in the grant/loan program for the Transfer Station. USDA will offer each town an 18% grant, which amounts to \$343,863 each. USDA will offer to fund the remaining \$1,567,000 at 1.87% for a period of up to 40 years, no repayment penalty. USDA calculates that this would be about \$56,000 per year for the full term. Each town can choose its own term. All Selectmen were pleased with this update and Jessica reported that the next step is for this information to go before the Finance subcommittee of the SSRRA. There was no action in setting of any dates pertaining to the Transfer Station informational meetings or voting. It was the wish of Selectmen Jones and Fowler that the Town chose Friday evenings for meetings as that is the evening, which has been chosen for Town Meetings in the past.

With the news on the above and a reminder to all residents that budget season is upon us....the Community Update was to all residents to share concerns, ask questions, get information available regarding all town projects, future school projects and budget information.

With no other business, motions of Jones/Fowler adjourned the meeting at 2:33 PM.

Respectfully,



Jamie Casey
Secretary Pro Tem

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