**Public Hearing – Ayotte’s Automobile Graveyard and/or Junkyard application opened at 6:00 PM –**

A representative from Ayotte’s spoke to the fact the required fencing had not been completed. It was on tract to be completed within the next two weeks.

Hearing closed at 6:04 PM

**July 16th, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER at 6:04PM –Chairman Scott Hunter presided. Samantha Hewey, Caldwell Jackson, Dana Dillingham, Sharon Jackson, Butch Asselin, Elizabeth Olsen were present along with members of the public using Microsoft Teams virtual meeting.**

**Dana Dillingham was sworn in for a three year term following the recent election.**

1. **ACTION ON MINUTES**
   1. ***Action on minutes dated July 2nd, 2020.***

*Motion to approve by Caldwell Jackson and seconded by Dana Dillingham. Passed 5-0.*

1. **ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA –**
2. **First reading of the Personnel Policy.**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS – Please state your name and Town that you are from for the record**
4. **OLD BUSINESS** 
   1. **To approve Tax acquired properties to go out to bid.**

Butch noted that under new business 6.a. one of the properties had a request to purchase, one of the properties fell under the requirements of the new senior law, some had tenants and one was a vacant piece of land.

It was suggested by the clerk to post bright color notices on the properties for a few weeks to see if we receive a response prior to putting out to bid. The selectmen agreed.

*Samantha Hewey motion to move forward with the Callahan Road properties and table all others until the next board meeting – post notices. Caldwell Jackson seconded, clearly passed. 5-0.*

* 1. **First reading of the Personnel Policy.**

Page 5 – CEO hours are reversed summer/winter.

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
2. **Harley Ortiz – request to purchase Tax acquired property 38 Birch Ave.**

Sharon Jackson supports people staying in their homes.

*Motion by Sharon Jackson to sell the property located at 38 Birch Ave to Harley Ortiz for $1000.00. Seconded by Caldwell Jackson, passed 5-0.*

1. **To reappoint Diane Jackson to the Economic Development Advisory Committee.**

*Motion to appoint by Samantha Hewey and seconded by Dana Dillingham. Passed 4-0 (Caldwell Jackson abstained).*

1. **Discussion and decision on renaming a part of Wyatts Way to Silver Way.**

*Motion to accept the road name as Silver Way by Samantha Hewey and seconded by Caldwell Jackson. Passed 5-0.*

1. **Discussion and decision on naming a private road off Robinson Hill Road.**

*Suggestions from family: Pike’s Way (we currently have a Pike Lane)*

*Moonlight Lane*

*Wildwoods Lane*

The board tabled this motion – more information and location and properties located on the road is needed.

1. **To approve the application for Automobile Graveyard and/or Junkyard permit submitted by Ayotte’s Used Cars and Parts.**

The board tabled for two weeks.

1. **Discussion and decision on Rules for Town of Oxford Solid Waste Facility – Pertaining to Refuse Haulers of Residential Waste Delivering to the Town Solid Waste Facility, and Some Commercial Waste by Order of the Oxford Board of Selectmen.**

This order was voted in by the Board of Selectmen on August 8th, 2016. Some of the current language should be updated, incorporated into the Solid Waste Ordinance, or made null.

This was written for the Waste Haulers picking up residential waste.

*Caldwell Jackson motioned to remove the Fee for the permit, remove the paragraph of Violations, and change the fee from $90 to $130.00 per ton. Seconded by Dana Dillingham and passed 5-0.*

1. **To approve the requested abatement from Ron Stuart of 6300 units of consumption ($252.00) due to water going to water the lawn not into the sewer system.**

*Mr. Stuart has an average consumption of 500 and his last quarter billing was 600, this quarter he was billed for 6900.*

*Samantha Hewey motioned to make the one-time abatement for this fiscal year. Seconded by Scott Hunter and passed 5-0.*

1. **Discussion on the purchase of a mini excavator.**

$15,000 worth of repairs are needed on the current backhoe. A new excavator is requested with a trailer. Total cost estimate is of about 161,000.

*Motion by Caldwell Jackson to put the trailer and excavator out to bid. Seconded by Samantha Hewey and passed 5-0.*

1. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**

**Chief Hewey:** Reported that the Ladder Truck broke on the way to be repaired. The pump is gone, and replacement is $25000. Hard to find due to year of vehicle.

Scott Hunter recommends that if should not be on the road and deemed unsafe. This is also the second time the pump has done this.

Dana Dillingham suggested buying it with other Towns in the area.

Sharon Jackson suggested reaching out to the Chief in Fryburg to talk about grants.

It was reported that on July 4th, 2020 that the overnight rescue crew received a fire call back to back with a rescue call. They covered the rescue call, but no one responded to answer the fire call. Paris picked up the call. A letter of thanks from Butch will be written.

Dana Dillingham was surprised that overnight rescue would respond to fire stating, that he felt at town meeting this position was sold as a rescue position.

Most selectmen believed that the rescue, if working should respond to fire.

ED Knightly reported that the trailer should be in next week.

Elizabeth Olsen reported that elections went well. There would be an upcoming recount for the MSAD 17 director position.

1. **TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT**

* Town meeting went well.
* According to the School District, starting day is August 31st, 2020.
* 1 mil lottery ticket was sold at Polly’s.
* A fall joint town meeting of all Thompson Lake side towns is coming up.

1. **SELECTMEN ITEMS**

Caldwell Jackson wanted to know why we needed a Thompson Lake Dam Advisory Committee.

Butch stated it was up to the board.

Samantha would like to move forward with the meeting, stating she would hate to cut off the opportunity to work with the other towns.

Both Caldwell Jackson and Sharon Jackson do not believe the committee is needed nor are they in support of an interlocal agreement.

Dana Dillingham wants the joint meeting stating he values their input and possible share of the cost and would like to discuss the next project.

Butch stated that Oxford should control the agenda and Scott Hunter should run the meeting. Ground rules should be set and no public comment should be allowed.

Set date for the meeting will be August 13th, 2020 at 6 PM. In the board room. The meeting will be streamed and available to the pubic in the Oxford Community Center.

Sharon Jackson asked about the opportunity to tour the space for lease at the Oxford Shopping Plaza.

Butch says he will be set it up.

1. **SIGN WARRANTS – 171, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7**

Motion by Samantha Hewey to sign the warrants and seconded by Sharon Jackson. Passed 5-0.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Scott Hunter and seconded by Samantha Hewey. Passed 5-0.