

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF MADISON
February 26, 2019
MINUTES**

Selectmen Present – Robert J. King, Jr., Josh L. Shackford and John Arruda

Others Present – ReVision Energy’s John Dunster; EAC Member Russ Dowd; Chief Ted Colby; DPW Director Jon Cyr; Mechanic Rob Rand; Chief Richard Clark; Deputy Chief Dave Cribbie; Resident Craig Belcher; Town Administrator Linda Shackford; Madison TV Videographer Carol Dandeneau

Where and When Posted – Town Hall upper & lower bulletin boards and Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices on December 31, 2018.

Meeting Called to Order – By Chairman King at 5:34 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by J. Shackford, seconded by Arruda, to approve the minutes of February 12, 2019 as written. The motion passed **3-0**.

APPROVAL OF MANIFESTS:

Motion by J. Shackford, seconded by Arruda to approve two Manifests: February 25 – March 4, 2019 in the amount of \$264,923.93. The Manifest breakdown is as follows: \$76,359.00 for Accounts Payable; \$30,032.13 for payroll; \$8,532.80 for payroll liabilities; and \$150,000.00 for MES. And, February 26, 2019 in the amount of \$520.59 for Accounts Payable. The motion passed **3 -0**.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were none.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS

John Dunster of ReVision Energy and Russ Dowd of EAC – Solar Array – Dowd and Dunster approached the Board to discuss a letter of intent for the solar array project. Dunster explained that there is a timing issue that is critical in regards to the Power Purchase Agreement. If the project is not built by the end of the year there is a loss risk in regards to tax credits that will go from 30% to 26% and subsequently reduce further each year. Dunster hopes that agreeing to the letter of intent would allow the company to proceed before the avalanche of other towns applying for similar funds.

Dunster noted that limiting of exposure to damages is an issue that is still being negotiated between Revision’s counsel and Town’s counsel due to some proprietary documents versus 91A compliance. Arruda suggested signing the letter of intent and allow the attorneys to hammer out the other issues.

Motion by King, seconded by Arruda to sign the Letter of Intent with Revision Energy. The motion passed **3-0**. Chairman King signed two copies which Dunster will return one copy once signed by Revision.

OLD BUSINESS – There was none.

Selectman Arruda’s List – There was an email received regarding the plowing up at the end of Eidelweiss Drive and Town Line Road expressing their appreciation for the great job the DPW crew has been doing. Director Cyr was also in receipt of the email and Rand expressed his gratitude for the recognition.

Selectman Shackford’s List – No items

Selectman King's List – No items

Administrator's List – No items

DPW Director – Cyr address the issue on the Lead Mine Road regarding the snow machine trail groomer and maintenance of the road. An email complaint was addressed to Chief Colby that the groomer is pulling too much snow into the road and it is not being maintained consistent with the other portion of Lead Mine road as per court agreement. Chief Colby feels there are no safety concern issues addressed in the email, there is just too much snow. Cyr was out that area on Sunday and there have been no issues. The court order does not state that it is necessary to clean up after snowmobiles, it is dual use. Cyr added that we treat all portions of the road the same, i.e. if one section is sanded, all are sanded. King had a conversation with the complainant yesterday and asked him his impression of how things are being handled and he couldn't be happier. King asked if the town is responsible to clear up after snow mobiles. J. Shackford stated that he thinks so, just like any other road that has a safety issue, we would have to address it. Arruda is please that for the short term the issue has resolved itself.

Truck #14 – Cyr explained that there has been a failure of the compressor on Truck #14, the same truck that had the engine replaced in 2017. There were metal particles found in the oil pan and filter. Cyr is not confident about pulling it back together and was looking for guidance on how to proceed. Rand explained that there is a chance that it could be flushed with 30 gallons of oil in hopes that it would remove all the metal; but there is still a fear of damage to bearings. Cyr has heard about other towns having problems with this same vehicle. It was decided to get it going and baby it until next town meeting until a plan can be put in place as to whether or not it would be traded in.

SIGNATURE ITEMS

Manifest

Payroll & Accounts Payable Checks

Purchase Requisition – 2019-HIGH-003 St. Pierre Manuf. Co. \$3,979.64

Tax Abatement: Bartlett 228-005 \$520.59

Conway Area Humane Society Contract

Yield Tax Levy: Harrow 203-13&15&16 \$1,237.02

6:13 PM – Arruda made a **motion**, seconded by J. Shackford to go into **Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3II (b)** The hiring of any person as a public employee.

Roll call vote: Arruda – aye; Shackford – aye; King – aye

6:25 PM – Arruda made a **motion** to return to public and seal the minutes of the non-public session, seconded by J. Shackford and so voted **3-0**.

6:25 PM – Arruda made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by J. Shackford, and so voted **3-0**.

NEXT SELECTMEN'S MEETING – The next Selectmen's Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Elementary School.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Shackford,
Town Administrator