Minutes Alford Select Board

June 24, 2019

Present: Charles Ketchen, Peggy Rae Henden-Wilson, Peter Puciloski, Monty Green,

Others in attendance: Alice Halstead

Meeting called to order at 12 Noon

Minutes of June 10, 2019 Approved

Historic District Commission: Alice Halstead, Chair, would like to add an alternate to the Commission. Motion by Henden-Wilson to appoint Juli Scott for the remainder of Calendar year 2019. Second by Puciloski. Motion passed unanimously. Halstead reported the Commission has gotten a couple of quotes for the handrails at the front of the Town Hall which seem to be high so they are putting that on hold for now.

Highway Update: Black top and full depth reclamation bids have been published and the bid opening will be July 11, 2019. The line painters have been contacted for North Egremont Road and have not responded. Monty will look into fixing the handrails for the Town Hall front entrance.

Town Counsel: Puciloski contacted KP Law. A contract for FY2020 was sent to the Town (attached). Motion by Henden- Wilson to accept the contract from KP law, seconded by Puciloski. Motion passed. A letter will be sent to Donovan, O’Connor and Dodig thanking them for their years of service.

Berkshire Hill Regional School District School Committee sent a letter to the Town of Alford about either forming or consolidating into one regional high school district to serve grades 9-12. In response to BHRSD Motion by Henden-Wilson that a forming or consolidating grades 9-12 would not be in the best interest of the Town of Alford or the district as a whole. Ketchen Seconded. Motion passed. Puciloski will draft a letter.

Lucy Prashker drafted a letter to Jane Burke SBRSD school committee chair requesting a meeting. The letter was reviewed by the Board and will be sent out.

The Board had prepared a request for the Finance Committee to transfer $1180 out of Emergency Reserve to cover overages on 3 salary accounts.

Arthur Dellea will be invited to the next Select Board meeting to discuss updating the Town website.

Henden- Wilson suggested trying to work with the Town of Egremont for the COA since we have not been able to find someone in Alford willing to be the COA representative for Alford. Henden- Wilson updated the Select Board she has attended one training session and will attend a second session on June 25th for the Town Clerk position. She will be sworn in on July 2, 2019

Meeting adjourn 12:45pm

Respectfully submitted
Roxanne Germain