MEETING MINUTES TOWN OF ST. ALBANS SELECTMEN'S MEETING AND

PUBLIC HEARING Tuesday, October 26, 2020 <u>6:00 p.m.</u>

Roster: Todd Brown, Vice Chairman

Peter Denbow, Selectman - Absent Hiram Weymouth, Chairman

Richard Fisher, Town Manager- via skype Brady Snowman, Road Commissioner

Call to Order - Flag Salute

Public Forum – *Nothing*

New Business

- 1. Review and Approve Minutes from September 28, 2020 meeting *Todd motion to approve minutes as presented. Hiram seconded. Carried 2-0*
- 2. GA Public Hearing and approve amendment to ordinance per state guidelines *No public discussion. Todd motioned to accept GA Ordinance per state guidelines as submitted, Hiram seconded. Carried 2-0*
- 3. Tax Acquired Property sale, map 2 lot 31 Bid Opening *After a brief discussion Hiram motioned to accept Steven Butler's bid* @\$11,000, Todd seconded. Carried 2-0

\$11,000 Steven Butler

\$6,000 Allen Reynolds \$4,100 Ryan C Beard \$4,007 Fred Cooper, Chad Cooper, Nathan Cooper \$3,799.99 Happy Property Solutions of Maine, LLC and/or Assignee \$3,567.99 Robert and Michelle Denbow \$3010 Paul and Rebecca Doughty

Old Business

4. 2020 Abatement – Assessors response to Abatement #20-08 Acct # 1936 Map 21 Lot 42A – Assessors scope does not utilize comps. The real estate appraisers do. Assessors utilize a use table of sorts. Buildings are mostly built with a specific purpose in mind such as a school, a factory, a warehouse. Once the structure is not being used for its intended purpose, the tax evaluation changes based on its updated usage. In this case

- with the old school location, it is currently being used as a warehouse. The assessed value is based on warehouse use. Todd indicated this was enough to set his mind at ease on dropping the evaluation on the old school property. Todd motioned to accept the current assessed value of the school at 353100 Hiram seconded. Carried 2-0
- 5. Planning board opening update no candidates *Todd asked that we consider* Facebook ad to fill vacancy asked length of term, 5-year. Char-lin advised that we would.

Reports

- 6. Road Commissioner Report Grader back up and running well. Gravel being spread. Subcontracted Snowman's Construction for second grader and operator. Ronnie Finson ran Snowman's Grader and focused on the Pond Rd. At this point roads done are Magoon Rd, Bubar Rd, parts of Denbow Rd, Snow Rd, and Finson Rd. One ton picked up on Tuesday and died again had it towed fuel leak. Can only utilize one tank (12 gallons) now. He is not entirely sure the fuel gauge is working right. Plow truck looking at delivery of November 21st, Still need to authorize plow equipment to get in line for assembly with the new truck. There is a 2 to 3 month wait. Todd asked to get this on next meeting to determine which vendor we would be using to assemble and attach the plow.
- 7. Fire Department Report Given by Dennis Smith. Structure fire in Palmyra. EVOC (Emergency Vehicle Operator Certification) training scheduled for November. Classroom Nov 9 and Nov 12 and Nov 15. Trucks are running well, about 12-15 responders per call. About 30 members in fire department currently. Problems are arising with not enough gear to outfit current members.
- 8. Committee Report none to report
- 9. Selectmen Report none to report

Hiram Weymouth, Chairman

10. Manager Report – Kim Novak emailed office to advise that she is unable to fulfill her duties on Budget Committee until re-election due to medical issues and will not be requesting nomination papers for next term.

Todd Brown, Vice Chairman

Peter Denbow, Selectman

Approve Treasurer Warrants
Adjournment – Todd motioned for adjournment, Hiram seconded. Carried 2-0. Adjourned 635pm
Respectfully Submitted,
Char-lin R. Williams Administrative Assistant