

**Town of Tinmouth
Select Board
January 26, 2017
Minutes**

Members present: Laurie Phillips, Matt Patry, and Frank Sears

Others present: Eric Buffum – Road Commissioner, Cathy Reynolds, and Gail Fallar- Board Assistant

Matt called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Board reviewed proposed highway budget, discussed at length whether to increase the budget this year for a new chloride program – cost would be \$15,000 for the chloride and a onetime cost of equipment of around \$10,000. Pros and cons were bandied about, a different way to apply would be with a lime spreader and using flaked chloride. In the end, the Board decided to not roll this out in FY18. Reviewed other aspects of the highway budget, decided to keep the proposed increase in the Equipment Fund line in order to be able to replace the older tandem truck in two years. FY18 highway budget of \$503,050.00 was approved.

Board reviewed proposed general budget, moved money from planning to Sheriff's patrols, approving a budget of \$214,265.00 for FY 18.

Laurie moved and Frank seconded to approve the highway and general budget proposals for town meeting. All voted in favor.

Board reviewed warning for town meeting, approved and signed it.

There was a complaint about someone plowing across the town road and leaving nearly a foot of snow in the road, Eric will speak to the person.

There was a complaint about maintenance on McCoy Road, Board took under advisement pending further investigation.

Cathy advised the Board that she was applying to the Tinmouth Community Fund for a grant to plant flowering crab apple trees along the roadside of the town green. She participated in the Rutland Blooms project and felt it would be a good project for Tinmouth. If the grant is funded, she will return to the Board with more details – what kind of plants, location, etc. for their permission to install them on the town green.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Fallar Board Assistant