APPROVED MINUTES TOWN OF RYEGATE PO BOX 332 RYEGATE, VERMONT 05042

SELECT BOARD MINUTES November 27, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Andrew Smith. Other members present: Paul Keenan and Claudette Sortino. Also present: William Hetu, Richard Fraser, Nelson Elder, Marsha Nelson.

Claudette moved approving the minutes from November 13th. Paul seconded the motion and it carried.

Treasurer's Report: The Board viewed bills and signed orders. The Medicare Supplemental Plan from Blue Cross/ Blue Shield will reduce the rates from \$165.29 in 2017 to \$159.11 in 2018. It was decided to hold the Select Board meetings for December on December 11th at 7:00 PM and have a meeting on December 27th at 7:00 PM to sign the bills. Gene brought in a training hours sheet for the Treasurer to pay individual trainees.

Road Report: All dump trucks are back and in running order. The winter tires are on. NO wings have been put on yet. There are two more routes needing whips. Discussion was held on the new salt shed and using LED Solar Lights that are motion sensored instead of installing a new conduit. Nelson was asked to get more information on the solar lights. Andy asked about plans for trading trucks. Nelson would rather not trade a truck this year and be able to trade the 2004 grader at some point. Andy said we need to talk to Caterpillar too because the trade offers from John Deere have not seemed adequate. Nelson would like to put \$75,000 into the *grader fund changed to highway equipment fund* this year.

The Chairman signed the Hazard Mitigation Grant Applicant Funding Certification certifying the town's capability to meet the financial obligations of the 25% cost share under this Pre-Disaster Mitigation grant program. The Board asked the Clerk to request a budget figure from the State for the cost share.

The Board discussed the South Ryegate Sewer Project's requirements to have inspections and asked the Clerk to check on the status of the contract with New England Water.

There being no public comment and no further business Paul moved adjournment at 7:40 PM. Andy seconded the motion and it carried.

----- Marsha Nelson, Clerk