

Date: 03/15/04

Minutes of Board of Selectmen's Meeting

Meeting held at Antrim Town Hall -Office @ 7:00 p.m. on 03/15/04

Selectmen Present: Michael Genest-Chairman, Michael Oldershaw, Ben Pratt

Others in attendance: B. Brown, B. Prokop, M. Morrow, S. Chapman, B. Merrill, A. Merrill, K. Vance, W. Witherall, D. Brown

1. The selectmen approved the minutes of the meeting held 3/08/04.
2. The selectmen voted Michael Genest as Chairman for the up coming year.
3. The selectmen were introduced to Derek Brown the applicant for policeman by Chief Brown. Derek Brown was born and raised in Antrim. He is currently a full time certified full time officer on the Hillsborough Police force. He gave a brief resume of his background and interest in the position that we have. After some discussion, M. Oldershaw made a motion to offer Derek Brown the position of Police Officer with the Antrim Police Department. The motion was passed and Officer Brown was sworn in by Mary Hammond, Town Clerk. He will begin his duties on March 27th.
4. The selectmen discussed and agreed to improve the sound system for next years Town Meeting.
5. The selectmen discussed the Town Meeting and the concerns that were raised by several citizens. A letter was written to the selectmen by S. Smith and several citizens were present at the meeting to ask the selectmen to check into the Moderator's actions and handling the last warrant article at the meeting. S. Nelkens advised the selectmen that she has been in touch with the Secretary of State and the Attorney General's Office regarding how she was handled by the moderator at the meeting, regarding her petitioned warrant article. The selectmen all felt that the meeting should have been handled differently but that the moderator did not do anything illegal. The selectmen feel that at next years meeting the rules should be made clear at the start of the meeting, and they will make this suggestion to the moderator before next years meeting. The selectmen will schedule a meeting with the moderator to discuss their concerns. S. Nelkens was concerned as to how all this was going to help L. Peltier. M. Oldershaw responded by saying that we can not hold town meeting all over and that the concern of the selectmen was to make sure that we treat all voters equal at Town meeting in the future.
6. The selectmen further discussed the quarterly meetings which will be held with all Department Heads to review budgets, goals, Master Plan up-dates and address concerns. The first meetings will be held on Monday the 22nd.
7. The selectmen will be attending a meeting @ the SAU office with selectmen for all the district towns on Wednesday nite the 31st of March. The Town Administrator was asked by selectman Genest to gather some information on enrollment statistics. The SAU will be presenting this information at the first meeting along with the estimated cost if Dublin was to withdraw from the Conval district.
8. The selectmen will activate a new committee to start looking into the park & recreation land needs.
9. The selectmen approved the accounts payable and payroll for the week.
10. The selectmen reviewed various correspondences.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

