BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 5, 2017 –6:30 P.M. TRAINING ROOM – PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

This meeting was taped for local television.

PRESENT: Kyle Johnson, Chair, Leo Janssens, Member, John Mulhall, Clerk, Heather Budrewicz, Town Administrator and Mary Calandrella, Executive Assistant.

I. SALUTE THE FLAG

Kyle Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT-

None at this meeting

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Leo Janssens motioned to approve the agenda as presented and was seconded by John Mulhall. Motion carried 3-0.

IV. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

S.O.C.S. Group – Natalie Nelson gave a quick presentation on Prop 2 ½ tax impact to the Board. Natalie stated that their website AshWestSOCS.org has a built in calculator for residents to determine if the ballot question is passed what their tax increase will be based on the home's assessed value. Natalie & SOCS will be presenting the same at the Senior Center on Thursday.

Town Counsel – Deb Phillips – Spoke to the Board on the current Marijuana laws. She stated that at the state level everything has been delayed by six months and there are currently 40 appeals on the newly adopted law. Deb recommends the Board look at the town's by-laws and the Board could vote to PROHIBIT, Free for all approach or the Board can place a moratorium on the use entirely. Deb suggests surveying the town's people and seeing where they stand on the matter. The Vote results in this town on the law was 1976 Y – 1408 N

V. OLD BUSINESS - None at the meeting

VI. NEW BUSINESS

<u>Common Victualer – Lucky Dragon- new owners name change-</u>

Motion by John Mulhall to approve the new owners name change on Lucky Dragon's common victualer license and was seconded by Leo Janssens. 3-0

- Implementation on a Winchester Park Committee

Kyle spoke on forming a committee but feels the Board should get public input on the park and their wishes for the future of the park. John Mulhall and Leo Janssens agreed.

Motion by Leo Janssens to move over the implementation portion and was seconded by John Mulhall. 3-0

The Board discussed the previous and the future requests for memorials at town owned parks. The all agree that a plan needs to be in place.

Motion by Leo Janssens to place a moratorium on all future memorials on all town owned properties and was seconded by John Mulhall. 3-0

- Appointments- The Board is asking the Town Administrator's office contact all chairs of their appointments to see if the member up for appointment has served as required. The TA office will contact each chair for a response.
- Surplus Disposal Policy- Heather addressed the Board on the need for a surplus disposal policy. There are items that need to be sold and a policy needs to be adopted.
 Motion by John Mulhall to accept the first draft of the Surplus Disposal Policy and was seconded by Leo Janssens. 3-0
- IT Advisory Committee from BOS to Town Administrator authority- Heather stated that she is on the committee and that the Committee advises her on technology issues and feels better served under her authority.

Motion by John Mulhall to move IT Advisory Committee from BOS to the Town Administrator authority and was seconded by Leo Janssens.3-0

- VII. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE - Heather read her report into record
- VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<u>May 15, 2017</u>

Leo Janssens made the motion to approve the minutes of May 15, 2017 and was seconded by John Mulhall. Motion carried 3-0.

IX. BOS CORRESPONDENCE

X. MAY MEETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kyle Johnson read the following Town Clerk Reminders:

• JANUARY 1st AND ON-Open registration of voters at the Town Hall, Town

Clerk's Office, 32 Main Street, Ashburnham from 7:30 AM to 7:00 PM Monday, 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Tuesday through Thursday. Town Hall is closed on

Friday.

- Wednesday, June 14th at 6:00pm Flag Day celebration and Re-Opening of Meeting House, 79 Main St light refreshments will be served.

- Special Election June 20, 2017 – 7am -8pm at JR Briggs – Ballot Question for Prop 2 ¹/₂ Override for AWRSD

- Saturday, June 24th 10am- 5pm Community Days at Winchester Park sponsored by the Lions Club The next scheduled regular Board of Selectmen meeting will be held on <u>Monday</u>, June 19th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Training Room at the Public Safety Building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – none at this meeting

XI. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 pm. Leo Janssens motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by John Mulhall. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Calandrella, Executive Assistant