

**TOWN OF DEERFIELD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
December 1, 2014
MINUTES**

Call to Order

5:30pm: Chairman, Steve Barry called the meeting to order.

Present: Steve Barry, Chairman; Richard Pitman, Vice Chairman; Rebecca Hutchinson, R Andrew Robertson and Jeff Shute Selectmen

Also Present: Michael Wright, Town Administrator; Jan Foisy, Town Finance Director; Penny Touchette, Bookkeeper/Assessing Supervisor

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chairman Barry asked all to rise and pledge allegiance to the Flag.

Regular Business & Signatures

-Minutes of November 24, 2014

Motion – Vice Chairman Pitman moves the minutes as written

Second – Selectman Robertson

Vote to approve – Yea 5, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

-Accounts Payable - \$562,068.36 (\$500,000 transferred to the School)

Motion – Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve

Second – Selectman Robertson

Vote – Yea 5, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

-Timber Tax Levy - \$549.97 to Pearl, Diana & Robert Stevens

Motion – Selectman Robertson moves to collect

Second – Selectman Shute

Vote – Yea 5, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

-Warrant Article to Appoint Cynthia McHugh as Director of the Rescue Squad as previously approved

Signatures Executed

-2% Pay Raise for the Chief of Police effective January 1, 2015 as previously approved

Signatures Executed

Correspondence

The Town has received \$1,658.46 from Primex as an insurance payment for the electrical panel work at the Town Hall. The funds will be returned to the Municipal Government Buildings and Infrastructure Expendable Fund.

Chairman Barry noted that a celebration of life for Mary Mahoney will be held on Saturday, December 6th beginning at 1p at the Deerfield Community School.

Town Administrator's Report

M. Wright spoke that the CIP Plan Committee will meet on Thursday to discuss dollar thresholds for items to be included in the plan and to assign priorities.

The School was opened as an Emergency Shelter during the Thanksgiving storm and several residents made us of the facilities. The storm will likely impact the budget as the Highway Agent has put in an order for additional salt to be delivered this week.

The Fire Department had a busy weekend with the storm, several automobile accidents and mutual aid calls, but were able to execute the Christmas parade on Sunday and the event was well attended.

J. Foisy informed the Board that the storm caused major damage to the batting cages and fences at Bicentennial Field. They can expect additional information from Joe Manzi in the coming days.

Unfinished Business None

Other Business None

New Business

Selectman Robertson spoke that he visited the Emergency shelter over the weekend to check in and felt there was a need for additional signage announcing the availability of the facilities. Many in the community were unaware they could visit the School for a meal, etc.

Citizens Comments

John Dubiansky spoke that some time ago the Town had looked into Grant monies to purchase an electronic message board and asked what had become of that? J. Foisy spoke that they do have the sign, but that issues with the computer system prevent them from being run. All agreed that traditional sandwich board type signage would be more than adequate.

Adjournment to Non Public Session – 5:40p

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to adjourn to Non Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3, II c

Second: Selectman Robertson

Vote: Yea 5, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Reconvene

Chairman Barry notes for the record that no action was taken during the Non Public Session.

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to seal the minutes from the Non Public Session

Second: Selectman Robertson

Vote Yea 5, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

The Board of Selectmen accepted the resignation Michael Wright, Town Administrator effective immediately.

Adjournment

M Motion: Selectman Robertson moves to adjourn the meeting of December 1, 2014

Second: Selectman Shute

Vote: Yea 5, Nay 0, Abstained 0 – Motion Carries

Next Meeting Monday, December 8th @ 5:30p

*The Minutes were Transcribed and Respectfully Submitted by Katherine A. Libby, Recording Secretary.
Pending Approval by the Board of Selectmen*