

**Town of Deerfield
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
October 3, 2016
MINUTES**

Call to Order

5:30p - Chairman Barry called the meeting to order.

Present: Stephen Barry, Chairman; Richard Pitman, Vice Chairman, Fred McGarry, and Jeff Shute, Selectmen

Excused: Andrew Robertson, Selectman

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Non Public Session

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to enter into a Non Public Session under RSA 91A:3II(c)

Second: Selectman Shute

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Reconvene

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

Motion: Selectman McGarry moves to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session

Second: Selectman Shute

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2017 Budget Review

Information Technology

The Information Technology budget was presented with a decrease of \$310. J. Foisy recommended an adjustment to Steve Jamele's hours from 20 to 24 and a change of rate to \$33.58/hour. The recommendation would raise the Department budget from \$49,160 to \$54,098. The Board had no objections, there were no other changes.

Municipal Budget Committee

The MBC budget was presented with a \$32 decrease.

Welfare Administration/General Assistance

Denise Greig spoke that the recommended Budget is largely unchanged from 2016. J. Foisy recommended increasing the Welfare Administrator Salary Line to \$25,688.47, a \$700 increase. There were no objections and no further questions.

Agency Health and Social Services

Denise Greig spoke that there were no changes expected to the budget. Two agencies have merged; the other programs are level funded. The Board thanked D. Greig for her work.

Regular Business

Minutes - September 26, 2016

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve

Second: Selectman Shute

Discussion: Selectman McGarry asked that page 2, line 4 of the Police Department budget be corrected to address the type, the word should be "has".

Vote to approve as amended: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Accounts Payable - \$197,608.09

Motion: Selectman Shute moves to approve

Second: Selectman McGarry

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Renumbering of High Meadows Drive homes

Chairman Barry reported that waivers have been received from all residents, an effective date of October 31 is recommended.

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve

Second: Selectman McGarry

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

November 8, 2016 Election Warrant

Motion: Selectman McGarry moves to sign the warrant

Second: Selectman Shute

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Request to appoint Arthur DiBacco - Inspector of Elections

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to appoint

Second: Selectman McGarry

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Timber Tax Levy - \$1,582.81 - Jill Holmes

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to collect the tax

Second: Selectman McGarry

Vote to approve: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Refund Request - Automotive Renewal Overpayment - \$46 - Mary Brinson

Motion: Selectman McGarry moves to approve

Second: Selectman Shute

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

NH Listens Contract - \$2,000

Motion: Selectman McGarry moves to approve and authorize the Chair's signature

Second: Selectman Shute

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Review of Correspondence

Due to an Overtime Rule approved by the Federal Court, the Town is required to raise the salary of Kevin Barry from \$43,680 to \$48,484.80, effective November 17th.

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve the change

Second: Selectman McGarry

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

The Board has composed a letter to Gary Roberge of AVATAR Associates authorizing him to act on behalf of the Town in regards to the settlement with NNECT (FairPoint).

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to authorize the Chair's signature

Second: Selectman McGarry

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Steve Jamel has requested to surplus an Eaton 3105 Universal Power Supply.

Motion: Selectman McGarry moves to approve

Second: Vice Chairman Pitman

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Town Administrator's Report

J. Foisy noted that she has been reviewing the 2016 Budget and will be notifying several Departments regarding lines that are overspent. Selectman McGarry asked whether the Water Ban has gone into effect, J. Foisy confirmed yes, at 7a that morning.

Unfinished, Other or New Business

Vice Chairman Pitman noted the many positive compliments he has received for the Road Agent and crew for the paving at the Town Hall.

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Citizens Comments

Ms. Harriet Cady noted the \$100,000 abatement for FairPoint and asked whether this was a result of an inaccurate assessment from AVATAR? If not, what was the reason for the abatement? Chairman Barry confirmed that the answer would be provided to Ms. Cady

Adjourn

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to adjourn the meeting of October 3, 2016

Second: Selectman McGarry

Vote: Yea 4, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Next Meeting Monday, October 17, 2016 @ 5:30p

*The Minutes were transcribed and respectfully submitted by Katherine A. Libby, Recording Secretary.
Pending approval by the Board of Selectmen.*