

**Town of Deerfield
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
January 9, 2017
MINUTES**

Call to Order

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Scheduled Appointments

Longevity Awards - 15 Years - Lieutenant Daniel Deyermond and Sergeant Michael Lavoie

Chairman Barry announced Longevity awards for Police Lieutenant Dan Deyermond and Sergeant Michael Lavoie, both have served 15 years with the Department, neither was able to be in attendance.

Safety Services Steering Committee

Rebecca Hutchinson, Chair of the Committee, presented a recap of the group's formation, mission and activities associated with the NH Listens group. She reported that 40 residents attended the Open House at the Police Department and 20 at the Fire Department. The group also facilitated a town wide mailing explaining the Primex report. All who attended the November 12th meeting will receive a copy of the Committee's report by email next week.

Ms. Hutchinson cited three major findings of the year's work, 1) Status quo is not an option; 2) People are looking for a "Yankee Solution"; and 3) There is a need for ongoing community engagement and information sharing efforts. The Committee recommends that the Town form a Citizen's Planning Committee to begin phase two of the process. The new Committee should be comprised of smaller sub-committees charged with digging deeper into specific areas, for example visiting of neighboring facilities to learn from other Town's experiences. The Safety Services Committee also recommends that the Fire and Police Departments hold annual open houses. With the conclusion of the Steering Committee several members will be willing to stay on and serve during the next phase. Member Erin DiBacco has volunteered to visit with local organizations directly to provide the report of findings and continue the dialog.

The Select Board thanked the Committee for its work and expressed great appreciation. The report, along with the Committee's recommendations will be placed on the Town's website and Ms. Hutchinson plans to put an article in the Forum. Selectman McGarry asked which members would be willing to continue with a Citizen's Planning Committee? Ms. Hutchinson responded that Dwight Barnes and Matt Fisher have agreed to continue, Kevin Verville is unable to, and she and Erin DiBacco are undecided at the moment.

Regular Business

Minutes - December 29, 2016

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve the minutes

Second: Selectman Robertson

Discussion: Selectman McGarry noted that, on page 1, the paragraph beginning, "Members of...", the last line should be "in" as opposed to "ind". On page 4, the paragraph beginning "Notice was received..", line 2 "FUnd" should be "Fund". Under Unfinished Business Selectman McGarry asked line 6 be amended to replace "...along the Town's Highways," with "...along the State Highways within the Town." Selectman Shute noted that the dollar amount of Warrant Article #2 was not a typo, the amount was in fact \$67,540, but the "," was missing.

Vote to approve as amended: Yea 5, Nay 0, Abstained 0 - Motion Carries

Accounts Payable - \$38,058.92

Motion: Selectman Robertson moves to approve

Second: Selectman McGarry

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

Accounts Payable - \$15,673.64

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve

Second: Selectman Shute

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

Current Land Use Change Tax Warrant - \$7,000 - 13 Perry Rd

Motion: Selectman Robertson moves to collect

Second: Selectman Shute

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

Application Veteran's Tax Credit - \$500 - Steven Sorrow, 12 Petersen Rd

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to approve

Second: Selectman McGarry

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

Town Clerk/Tax Collector - Abatement Recommendation - \$1,700, 2016 Property Tax on Map 207, Lot 41, due to an assessment data correction

Motion: Selectman Robertson moves to grant the abatement

Second: Selectman McGarry

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

Review of Correspondence

The Road Agent has requested to hire an On Call Employee for the Department due to limited Winter Contractor availability. An application to make Glen Young an On Call Employee for the Department was submitted.

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

Second: Selectman Robertson

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

A letter to the NH Municipal Association listing the Town members and officials permitted to contact Legal Services directly was signed with no objections from Members of the Board.

Public Hearing RSA 674:40-a Delegation of Authority to Accept Dedicated Streets

Chairman Barry recessed the Select Board meeting to open a Public Hearing under RSA 674:40-a regarding the Town's acceptance of the Forest Glen Subdivision roads. It was noted that the Planning Board, Town Engineer, and Road Agent have each reviewed and recommend the Town's acceptance.

With no public comment Chairman Barry recessed the Public Hearing.

Reconvene

Motion: Selectman Robertson moves to accept the roads as advised

Second: Vice Chairman Pitman

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

Town Administrator's Report

J. Harrington reminded Members that there will be no meeting next week and Town Offices will be closed. The Accounts Payable and Payroll manifests will be available for review and approval on Thursday.

2017 Budget/Warrant Articles.

Selectman Robertson noted that the Warrant Articles and Budget have been presented and voted on by the MBC. Additional Petition Warrant Articles are expected.

Chairman Barry read the proposed Articles as follows:

1. Town Budget - Board recommends
2. \$67,540 for an Emergency Water Cistern at the Center of Town - Board recommends
3. \$50,000 to be placed in the Fire Apparatus & Equipment Capital Reserve Fund - Board recommends
4. \$26,600 to repair the Town Hall Roof - Board recommends
5. \$25,000 to be placed in the Winter Road Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund - Board recommends
6. \$25,000 to be placed in the Municipal Government Buildings & Infrastructure Expendable Trust Fund - Board recommends
7. \$10,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Vehicles & Equipment Expendable Trust Fund - Board recommends
8. \$10,000 to be placed in the Rescue Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund - Board recommends
9. \$8,000 to the Northwood Lake Milfoil Treatment Fund - Board recommends
10. \$5,661 to instal LED light fixtures and three paddle fans at the GBW Building - Board recommends
11. \$2,500 to support the Pleasant Lake Association Lake Host Program - Board recommends
12. To Adopt RSA 72-28B - All Veterans Tax Credit - Board recommends
13. To Adopt RSA 80-42 and RSA 80-80 - Authorizing the Board to dispose of property - Board recommends
14. To Authorize the Board's sale of a specific property - Board recommends
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16. To pave the unpaved portion of Middle Rd - Board does not recommend
17. Permission to sell a parcel of land - Board recommends

18. \$20,000 to support the Revolving Account Funds for the development of the Hartford Brook fields - Board recommends
19. \$300,000 to install a handicap access to the Town Hall 2nd Floor (non-lapsing article to expire 12/31/2022) - Board recommends
20. Designation of Scenic Roads under RSA 231-157 - Board agrees to withhold recommendation

Motion: Selectman McGarry moves to print the approvals as discussed

Second: Selectman Robertson

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

Motion: Selectman Robertson moves the Town Default Budget in the amount of \$3,896,266

Second: Selectman McGarry

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

Selectman Robertson notes that the MBC's Public Hearing on the Town Budget will be January 10th at the GBW Building at 6:30p.

Unfinished, Other or New Business

Selectman McGarry noted that he has not received Chief Tibbetts response to his prior inquires as requested. J. Harrington will obtain and forward the response.

Vice Chairman Pitman congratulated the 250th Anniversary Committee on a job well done during the final event Saturday evening. He found the evening to be rich in history and a wonderful time.

Non Public Session

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

Second: Selectman McGarry

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

Reconvene

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

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

Second: Selectman Robertson

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

Citizens Comments

None

Adjourn

Motion: Vice Chairman Pitman moves to adjourn the meeting of January 9, 2017

Second: Selectman Robertson

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

Next Meeting Monday, January 23, 2017 @ 5:30p

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