

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

Present: Martin Crowley, Chairman; David Sheedy, Clerk; William Dowling; George Samia, Town Administrator; Cathy Johnson, Administrative Assistant

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Forum

Open Forum opened by the Chairman.

Town Clerk Dina Livingston was present to announce the Annual Town Election will be held on Saturday, April 11th at the Jr/Sr High School. Polling hours will be from 11 am to 7 pm. If not already a registered voter, the last day to register is Friday March 20, the Town Clerk's office will be open until 8 pm. Call the Town Clerk's office with any question regarding voter status,

Steve Lovell of 20 Oregon Street was present to make a request of the Board to have a financial efficiency audit of the School Department and the allocation of money by the Town.

Ken McCloud of Stone Meadow Drive was present to express his continued concerns with the School Department overspending their budget, as well as to present the Board with an article from the Boston Globe with regards to the tax rate in the Town.

Open Forum closed by the Chairman

BUDGET PRESENTATION

Treasurer/Collector Erica Flemming was present to present to the Board and the residents the FY16 Treasurer/Collectors budget.

Action Items

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of the March 9, 2015 meeting as amended.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Annie Brown as Animal Inspector and Peter Brown as Assistant Animal Inspector for the period of May 1, 2015 until April 30, 2016.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve, in their capacity as the Water Commissioners, to halt the termination of water services, previously voted, until a decision is received from the court.

Board Discussion

Mr. Dowling reported on a conversation he had with Fire Chief Harhen regarding the amount of drug overdoses reported by the Chief at the Board's previous meeting, the Chief stated he misspoke; that the number of overdoses are approximately (5) per month. Mr. Dowling announced his desire to hold a meeting on March 30th with Fire Chief Tim Harhen, Police Chief John Cowan, Detective Scott Allen and Susan Silva of E.B. Hope regarding recent drug overdoses in Town.

Mr. Sheedy reported on a meeting with John Margie of the Finance Committee, Jennifer Kitchenham of the School Committee, Ellen Pennington of the School Committee and State Representative Geoff Deihl, regarding attempting to capture additional funds the School Department.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, motion to adjourn.

VOTE: Yes – Crowley, Sheedy, Dowling; a unanimous vote in favor

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm


Board of Selectmen Clerk