





MEETING NOTICE RECEIVED/POSTED

(MGL Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25)

COMMITTEE OR CONVENING BODY:

Board of Selectmen

MEETING PLACE:

Byfield Parish Church

132 Jackman Street, Byfield, MA

DATE & TIME OF

MEETING:

Saturday, March 12, 2011 @ 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1) Breakfast meeting with Georgetown Selectmen to discuss ideas on sharing services/positions

Signed:

Date: March 9, 2011

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MINUTES JOINT MEETING WITH NEWBURY/BYFIELD, GEORGETOWN AND GROVELAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MARCH 12, 2011

Meeting called to order at 8:30 A.M. at Byfield Parish Church Hall, Newbury/Byfield, MA.

The purpose of the meeting was to meet with Selectmen from several area towns to have an open discussion on ideas for possibly sharing some town services.

Present at the meeting were Georgetown Selectmen David Surface and Gary Fowler, Newbury/Byfield Selectmen Mike Bulgaris and Chairman Joe Story and Groveland Selectmen Bette Gorski and Don Greaney.

Topics of discussion were:

Newbury Building inspector Sam Joslin is interested in working one day per week in Groveland.

We should check out North Reading Transportation for school bus service---very reasonable.

Selectman Story will provide the Groveland Selectman with a copy of their Zoning and Personnel bylaws; they are updating the Zoning for industrial/commercial use being one in the same.

Discussed the Schools' lack of caring how much they request and how they don't think where the money is going to come from. All present felt the Schools should freeze salaries and only get a maximum 2.5% increase when times allow raises, this would be a more responsible process for everyone. It would save people losing their jobs and make the schooling more stable for our children and teachers.

Georgetown and Byfield share their Health department equally and told those present it works great!

We discussed grants and donations from others. A good process for accepting donations is to receive a sum of money to insure the upkeep of the donation going forward.

Selectman Bulgaris felt individual Dispatching is best for the personal feel the people expect.

Emergency management regionalized would be good for everyone.

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Newbury Police have proposed two years straight no raises to help the community during these tough times.

The other towns use a manager or administrator more so than a finance director but feel we all need Grant writing from our finance people.

All agreed that another meeting will be good.

Meeting closed at 10:30am

Respectfully submitted,

Donald N. Greaney, Recording Clerk for Groveland