

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
February 12 2018**

PRESENT: SEAN P. MURPHY, CHAIRMAN: CHAD R. BENNETT, SELECTMAN: JOSEPH A GUTHRIE, SELECTMAN: SALLY THERIAULT, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The meeting was opened at 7PM
Guests: Chief Beaudoin

Public Announcements

- Waste Oil, car batteries and thermostats are collected at the Town Garage on the first and third Saturdays of the month 8 am to 1 pm. Books may be dropped off anytime.

Visitors Comment

There were none

Department Heads

Police Department- Chief Beaudoin

Chief Beaudoin presented a purchase order to the Selectmen to approve the 2018 Dodge Charger purchase. He stated that there are only so many Chargers being built this year and he wanted to get his order in early to make sure he was able to get one. He explained that they were also getting \$10,500 for the trade in of the Porsche. The balance due for the new cruiser purchase is \$12,955 and then it will need to be outfitted. He went on to explain that they are getting a good deal on the trade in whereas the Porsche has cost them less than a \$1,000. He noted that there was a crime in Hampstead and when they located the car it was in Lynn, Ma. They were able to arrest the subject and confiscated the car. The Police Department went through the process of notifying the owner of the vehicle and after there were no responses they followed the procedure of putting it out to bid. The auction was held and no one showed up. At that point they were able to take the vehicle into their fleet. He would like to trade the car in as soon as they could. There was one issue in that whereas a vehicle was not budgeted for in 2017, the 2018 default budget was only \$1. There was concern that if the budget did not pass, would the Chief be able to find the money in his budget to cover the cost of purchasing the car now. There may be enough in the detail account to pay for the car but not to outfit it. After some discussion, the Selectmen agreed to move forward and if there was an issue with the budget they would need to move money around.

Chairman Murphy motioned to authorize Chief Beaudoin to enter into an agreement to purchase a 2018 Dodge Charger with Hillsboro Ford for \$12,955. Selectman Bennett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

New Business

Discussion concerning renewal of paving agreement- J. Worthen, Road Agent

Mr. Worthen reported that he had received a letter from R & D Paving asking if the Town of Hampstead would be interested in renewing their contract from 2017. The cost per ton was at \$62.96. This would be the same in 2018 as long as the cost of the hot mix asphalt stays at \$410.00. Mr. Worthen also presented a letter from Pike Industries explaining the calculation of the asphalt escalator. Mr. Worthen asked if the Selectmen would take it under

advisement for a future meeting. He did state that the letter was from December, 2017, and he would need to verify that R & D Asphalt is still interested in continuing at the 2017 price. Chairman Murphy asked that Mr. Worthen contact R & D and if possible another company for comparison. Mr. Worthen stated that the pricing is pretty standard among the vendors. Selectman Guthrie stated that there was no date on the letter from Pike Industries and asked Mr. Worthen when it was received. Mr. Worthen reported that it came in around the same time as the R & D letter in December. Mr. Worthen was asked to get the updated numbers for the next meeting and Chairman Murphy tabled the discussion until then.

Old Business

There was none.

Liaison Reports

Chairman Murphy- Nothing to report

Selectman Guthrie – Attended the ad-hoc committee to discuss activities for the Senior population. He stated that he will keep the other members updated.

Selectman Bennett- Nothing to report

AA Report:

Update on Postage Machine and Meter

The postage meter and postage machine have been installed.

Receipt of \$14,300 from PSNH

Eversource issued a check to the Town of Hampstead in the amount of \$14,300 in rebates for the installation of the LED streets.

Eversource flyover

Eversource will be conducting flyovers from February 12-February 19th to identify any overheated equipment on the transmission system. It will be done with a helicopter.

Town Report

The Town report has been sent to the printers and will be available for the public no later than March 6th.

Human Resources Certification Program

Mrs. Theriault will begin classes this Friday, February 16th and the sessions will be full days with one to two sessions per month, which will go into the month of November.

Household Hazardous Waste Commitment Letter for Atkinson

The Town of Atkinson is hosting the fall collection of hazardous waste on Saturday, October 13, 2018. They are asking for the commitment from the Town of Hampstead in order to apply for the grant.

Selectman Guthrie motioned to allow the Chairman to sign the letter of commitment for the Town of Atkinson. Selectman Bennett seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously 3-0.

2017 Audit

The engagement letter for the 2017 Financial Audit with Vachon, Clukay needs a signature to commit for the 2017 audit.

Selectman Bennett motioned to allow Chairman Murphy to sign the commitment letter. The motion was seconded by Selectman Guthrie. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Meeting Minutes

The meeting minutes of January 8th and January 22nd are ready for approval.

Chairman Murphy moved to approve the minutes of January 8th and January 22nd as amended. Selectman Guthrie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

The activity log was reviewed. Mrs. Theriault will contact the Rockingham Planning Commission regarding the status of the MS-4 work. The Historic Commission is looking at the parking lot area of the old police station. The date for the review of the lawn care was changed to February 15th.

Re- Appointments/Appointments

Call for candidates:

- Ordway Park, full members and alternates – monthly meeting
- Recreation Commission, alternate member – monthly meetings
- Trustees of the Trust Funds, alternate members – meetings as needed

Correspondence

There was none.

Visitors Comments

None

Selectman Guthrie made the motion to go into nonpublic session under RSA 91A 3: II (c) Reputation at 7:20 pm. The motion was seconded by Selectman Bennett, Roll Call Vote: Selectman Guthrie: yes; Selectman Bennett: yes; Selectman Murphy: yes.

Chief Beaudoin stayed in attendance:

Chief Beaudoin left the meeting at 7:43 pm

Selectman Guthrie made the motion to come out of nonpublic session under RSA 91A 3: II (c) Reputation at 8:24 pm. The motion was seconded by Selectman Bennett, Roll Call Vote: Selectman Guthrie: yes; Selectman Bennett: yes; Selectman Murphy: yes.

Mrs. Theriault mentioned to the Selectmen that she had received a request to put out a flyer with information about the proposed school addition. While she was talking to Town Counsel on another matter, she asked them if this was okay to display. The response was that it was information regarding a particular warrant article and if the town allowed it to be placed available to the public, they need to be aware that they would need to allow anyone that had something on the ballot to do the same- i.e. "vote for me" information. The Selectmen agreed that they would prefer to not have that become an issue and asked for Mrs. Theriault to reach out to the School Chair and let them know.

Selectman Guthrie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:24pm. Chairman Murphy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

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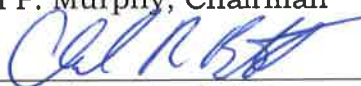


Tina Harrington, Recording Secretary


Approved By:



Sean P. Murphy, Chairman



Chad R. Bennett, Selectman



Joseph A. Guthrie, Selectman