

NEW DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN
New Durham Town Hall
January 28, 2016, 7:00p.m.

Present

Chair David Bickford
Selectman Gregory Anthes

Also Present:

Scott Kinmond, Town Administrator
Kenneth Fanjoy, resident
Janis Anthes, resident
Michele Kendrick, resident
Brad Meyerriecks, resident
Terry Jarvis, resident
Ellen Phillips, resident
Cecile Chase, resident

Call to Order

Chair Bickford called the meeting to order at 7:09p.m

Chair Bickford read what the intent is of the public hearing pursuant to RSA 41:8-C, adoption of a 5 member board of Selectmen.

Brad Meyerriecks, resident, spoke to turmoil in town, lack of volunteerism in Town, with controversy with the Board of Selectmen there is need for more of a balance.

There was discussion on adding State Police coverage.

Cecile Chase, resident, would like better representation with a 5 member Board of Selectmen versus a 3 member Board of Selectmen. She stated she is not pleased with 2 members controlling the Board of Selectmen.

Janis Anthes, resident, stated to keep a 3 person Board of Selectmen and explained that turnover of employees has been going on before this past year. .

Terry Jarvis, resident, provided input in support of a 5 member Board of Selectmen, easier schedules when people are tied up; pros and cons.

Ms. Chase contentions in the Board of Selectmen, emotion, personal issues, makes difficult to get people to be on the Board of Selectmen; pros and cons.

Ellen Phillips, resident, care about employees, too much turnover, better communication.

Town Administrator Kinmond provided information from the Town Attorney on the flaws on the petition warrant article. Town Administrator Kinmond explained changes to the Police Department.

Ms. Chase asked for Terry Jarvis and Shirley Currier to be appointed Inspectors of Elections and asked the Board of Selectmen to waive their policies because time was of the essence and she should have gotten the names to the BoS sooner.

Chair Bickford made a motion to appoint Terry Jarvis and Shirley Currier as Inspectors of Election for the February 9, 2016 elections and to waive the appointment policy. Selectman Anthes seconded the motion. Motion passed, 2-0-0.

Selectmen Swenson called the Town Administrator during the meeting but was not audible.

Selectman Anthes made a motion to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 II (e)- Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing of filed against the public body or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his or her membership in such public body, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled. Chair Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 2-0-0.

Roll Call: Selectman Swenson – Absent; Selectman Anthes – Aye; Chair Bickford – Aye.

The Board entered non-public session at 9:00p.m.

Note: Town Administrator Kinmond advised that Selectman Swenson called in and did not feel it was appropriate to go into non-public.

The Board reentered public session at 9:55p.m.

Chairman Bickford stated no decision where made, and they discussed legal matters before the town.

Adjourn

Selectman Anthes made a motion to adjourn. Chair Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Riel, Recording Secretary

Edits by,

Scott D. Kinmond, Town Administrator

Approved as amended on 04/28/16 - FINAL