

Town of Shirley

BOARD OF SELECTMEN



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES April 13, 2015 6:45 pm TOWN OFFICES

The Board of Selectmen convened its meeting on Monday, April 13, 2015 at the Town Offices, Meeting Rooms A & B, Chairman David N. Swain presiding, with Selectmen Kendra J. Dumont, Robert E. Prescott, Jr., Town Administrator Patrice Garvin in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Swain called to Order the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 6:45pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Selectman Dumont moved to go into Executive Session under M.G.L. c.30A, Sec. 21 (2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with non-union personnel and reconvene in open session. Seconded. Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Town Administrator gave her weekly report. She noted that the Super Town Meeting has been scheduled for June 8th, with the additional night of June 9th, in case a second night is needed.

Garvin stated that she had a Department Head meeting this past Thursday to discuss the Town Meeting Warrant. She informed Department Heads that you are signing the warrant this evening, and that it will be mailed out to residents on Thursday, April 16th.

The Ayer Shirley Regional School Committee recertified their FY16 Budget, lowering the Towns original assessment of 10.8% to 7.6%. The budget includes a 5% increase totaling \$286k over last year's assessment; at 7.6% assessment, an additional \$153k is needed. She has met with Dr. Malone and Robert Pointbriand and waiting to see where that goes.

There was a meeting on Friday regarding the recent discussions to close the rail crossing by the Phoenix Restaurant, by Davis Street. She will have more information for the Selectmen after that meeting.

The Draft ATM Warrant was included in the Selectmen's packet. Garvin reported that she is still waiting for some items and unfortunately will not have them for the Selectmen's meeting. Further, she is waiting for Town Counsel for their final review.

Selectman Dumont reported that the Town of Shirley will be hosting an event for those Towns and Cities that hosts prisons. Lt. Governor Polito will be present as well. The date to be determined.

TREASURY WARRANTS

Payroll warrant # <u>0142</u>	<u>04/15/15</u>	\$ <u>5,323.67</u>
Payroll warrant # <u>6142</u>	<u>04/15/15</u>	\$ <u>31,323.72</u>
Payroll warrant # <u>9142</u>	<u>04/15/15</u>	\$ <u>1,824.20</u>
Payable warrant# <u>2425</u>	<u>04/15/15</u>	\$ <u>60,111.80</u>

Selectman Dumont moved to accept the following Treasury Warrants as presented. Selectman Prescott Seconded. Robert E. Prescott vote Aye, David N. Swain vote Aye, and Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye..

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Tabled

OLD BUSINESS

1. Energy Committee -Tabled

NEW BUSINESS

2. Ratify Police Union Contract

Selectman Dumont moved to approve the accept Police Union Contract as presented. Seconded. Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

3. Town Administrator Contract

Chairman Swain stated that the Town Administrator's Contract was given a two year extension.

Selectman Dumont moved to accept the Contract with the Town Administrator as presented. Seconded. Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote aye, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

4. Interviews with Police Candidates

Chairman Swain explained that the Selectmen asked the Chief solicit candidates for a Full Time Police Officer. After review and going before the Police Search Committee; Chief Goulden presented three finalists for the position of Police Officer:

The following finalists are: (See attached resumes)

Bethany Bonczar
Robert Lombard
Eugene H. Stahl

The Selectmen asked the following questions to each candidate:

- Describe what you think would make you a good police officer in the Town of Shirley. (Dumont)
- Why Should I hire you? (Swain)
- What is your strongest point in police work? (Prescott)
- What is the most important gear that you possess as a police officer? (Dumont)
- What is your most redeeming asset? (Swain)
- Where you do see yourself in five years. (Prescott)
- Its 11:00 at night and you have to pull over a car for speeding, and find out its' your mother or relative, how would you handle that situation? (Dumont)
- What three words that best describes you and why. (Swain)
- What is the most difficult situation you had as a police officer and how did you handle it. (Prescott)
- What can you tell me is your worst attribute and why? (Swain)

After the interviews of the candidates, Chairman Swain explained that the Selectmen will review each candidate's response with the Chief and have a decision very shortly.

5. Appointment – Recreation Fields Committee

Selectman Dumont moved to appoint Kellie Shakarian to the Recreation Fields Committee, term to expire June 30, 2015. Seconded. Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

6. Continuation of ATM Articles – Take Positions

Updates on ATM:

Article 1. Accept Annual Town Report

No changes

Article 2. Prior Year Bills

Removed Delta Dental

Selectman Dumont moved to take favorable action on Article 2. Seconded. Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Article 3. Supplemental Appropriation of funds for FY2015

Discussion on the public buildings, snow and ice, police salaries, wages hourly.

Recommend the Selectmen hold off until Town Meeting.

Article 4. Accept Salary Classification Plan, FY2016 Wage Scale

No changes

Article 5. Elected Officials' Compensation

No changes

Article 6. Appropriate Omnibus Operating Budget

No changes

- Article 7. Approve Five-Year Capital Plan*
No changes
- Article 8. Repurpose Previous Capital Fund*
No changes
- Article 9. Appropriate Capital Item(s) for FY2016*
No changes
- Article 10. Appropriate Sewer Commissioner's Budget FY2016*
Selectman Dumont moved to recommend favorable action on Article 10.
- Article 11. Appropriate Ambulance Department Budget*
Reviewing Director's wage line with Town Accountant
- Article 12. Appropriate Curbside Solid Waste/Recycling Budget for FY 2016*
No changes
- Article 13. Re-establish Departmental Revolving Funds*
No changes
- Article 14. Additional Property Tax Exemption*
Small changes in wording
- Article 15. Transfer to General Stabilization Fund*
No changes
- Article 16. Transfer to Capital Stabilization Fund*
No changes
- Article 17. Discontinue a Portion of Town Meeting Road*
Town Counsel is reviewing
- Article 18. Insert Article 1.8 "Electronic Copies" of Plans*
No changes
- Article 19. Solar Tax Agreement(s)*
No changes

7. Sign the Annual Town Election Warrant

Selectman Dumont moved to approve and sign the Annual Town Election Warrant, to be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 from 7:00am to 8:00pm at the Town Offices. Seconded. Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Offices will be closed on Monday, April 20, 2015 for Patriots' Day
ATM to be held on Monday, April 27, 2015 – Middle School at 7:15pm
Board of Selectmen's Meeting Monday, April 27, 2015 – Middle School at 7:00pm


ADJOURNMENT

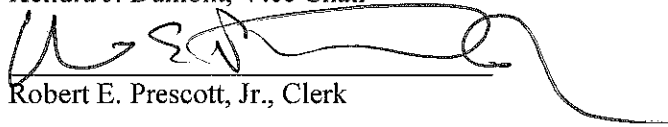
With no further business to discuss, *Motion and Seconded to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., Robert E. Prescott vote Aye, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain, vote Aye.*

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Rocco, Executive Assistant

Date Accepted: April 27, 2015

David N. Swain, Chair


Kendra J. Dumont, Vice Chair


Robert E. Prescott, Jr., Clerk

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