

Town of Shirley

BOARD OF SELECTMEN



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES

January 11, 2016

7:00 pm

TOWN OFFICES

The Board of Selectmen convened its meeting on Monday, January 11th 2016 at the Town Offices, Meeting Rooms a & B, Chairman Robert E. Prescott, Jr. presiding, with Selectmen Kendra J. Dumont, David N. Swain,, and Town Administrator Patrice Garvin in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Prescott called to Order the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 7:05pm.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

The Town Administrator gave her weekly report.

Garvin started the MCI Work Program painted the buildings during the past week and thanked everyone for their assistance in the process.

Garvin stated the Ayer-Shirley Regional School District has requested that the Town Administrator from Ayer or Shirley be present at the negotiation table for the upcoming teacher's union negotiations. It is Shirley's turn so Garvin will be in attendance.

Garvin stated that department budgets are due on January 14th and departmental budget meetings will be held next week.

Jackie Asolonis has resigned from the Economic Development Committee. She was a valuable member and will be missed. TA states if anyone is interested in joining the committee they should contact the Board of Selectmen's Office.

TA Garvin announced that the Town was awarded a DLTA grant through the MRPC to start a feasibility study on a regional dispatch center.

Garvin announced that the Shirley Conservation Commission is seeking two new members and if interested the please contact the Board of Selectmen's Office.

TA Garvin ended her report.

TREASURY WARRANTS

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Selectman Swain moved to accept the Minutes of October 26th 2015, November 9th 2015, November 16th 2015, December 7th 2015, and December 14th 2015. Selectman Dumont Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, David N. Swain vote Aye and Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye with an obtain from 10/26 as he was not in attendance. The motion passes.

OLD BUSINESS

Energy Committee Update

Bryan Dumont gave an energy committee update.

The Community Action Plan is expected to be submitted for Board of Selectmen Approval within a month. If the plan is approved it will then go to the Department of Environmental Resources for their approval. Dumont announced that Gridsmart was able to secure Shirley a rate of 9.5 cents per kilowatt hour. At this rate Dumont is expecting a \$14,000 saving this year.

Gridsmart has brought the extra credits from Shirley's 25 enrolled energy accounts to market and he is happy to announce that the Town should be receiving a check for 15,000 for our sold credits.

Mr. Dumont ended his report.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Public Hearing – Community Development Block Grant Application

Selectman Swain moved to open a CDBG Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m. Selectman Dumont Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, David N. Swain vote Aye and Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye.

Brian Keating from MRPC spoke on the joint CDBG application between the Towns of Shirley and Townsend. Keating states that Shirley is the lead community in this application as a CDF 1 community and entitled to expend 65% of the grant award funds. Keating reviewed the Regional

Community Development Block Grant application that is due on 2/12/16. If accepted the funds will be available between June and July. He states this is a very competitive application process so a joint application will embitter the chances of success of all goes according to plan this will yield 900,000 dollars for the two towns in terms of home repairs, home heating, and bringing many lower income homes up to standard.

Keating suggests designating Patrice Garvin the ECO to sign certain economic documentation, and designating a Board of Selectmen Member to sign papers on behalf of the board. As well as authorizing the Board to sign the Inter-local Agreement.

Selectman Dumont stated she would like more time to look over the inter-local agreement before making a decision on that.

Selectman Swain moved to close the CDBG Public Hearing at 7:18 p.m. Selectman Dumont Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, David N. Swain vote Aye and Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye.

Selectman Swain moved to designate the Chief Elected Official to sign CDBG documentation on behalf of the Board. Selectman Dumont Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, David N. Swain vote Aye and Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye.

Selectman Swain moved to designate Patrice Garvin the Towns Environmental Certification Officer of ECO to sign certain environmental documents in regards to the CDBG application. Selectman Dumont Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, David N. Swain vote Aye and Robert E. Prescott, Jr. vote Aye.

4. Temporary Liquor License – Shirley Rod and Gun

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

5. Shirley Police Department Interview

Chief Goulden announced the first candidate would be Sarah Brodmerkle.

Selectmen swain asked what Miss Brodmerkle would bring to the position?

Brodmerkle states that it is a chance to be community oriented in this community and she looks forward to being the positive influence that every local Police Department needs.

Selectmen Dumont asked Brodmerkle what your best asset would be?

Brodmerkle stated that she is a Passionate person as well as having a firsthand understanding of what a positive police station can do. She believes her young age is also an asset.

Selectmen Swain asked Brodmerkle where she saw herself in 5years.

Brodmerkle says she will hopefully be in the schools as a resource officer working with children and the community.

Chairmen Prescott asked what is Brodmerkles biggest liability?

Brodmerkle claims her lack of experience due to not being on the job long but she is an active and quick learner.

Selectmen Dumont asked what Brodmerkle would you do if she pulled her friend over for a DUI?

Brodmerkle states that it is going to be by the book with her, I am calling backup and moving forward the way it is written and supposed to be.

Selectmen Swain asked why you want to be a Police Officer?

Brodmerkle says this community is wonderful and a small example of the entire world. Sarah states she also has the ability to help the community on their worst day and be a good guy and a great example.

If we went online what would we find?

Brodmerkle says pictures of her dog and family, nothing that would offend you.

What do you know about Shirley?

Brodmerkle says Shirley was incorporated in 1753 and named after former Governor William Shirley. Shirley housed one of the Shaker Villages. Shirley is a playful city and a 9 year honoree as well as a green community.

Chief Goulden announces the next candidate is Matt O'Sullivan

Selectman Swain asked what do you see the job of a police officer in Shirley is?

O'Sullivan states that being such a small community you become more of a community member and your job becomes much more.

What is on your social media?

O'Sullivan stated that you can find him on Facebook but he only reads articles and doesn't really post much

Selectmen Swain asked what is your biggest liability?

O'Sullivan stated that sometimes he can be tenacious and a little out there.

Selectmen Dumont asked O'Sullivan If he pulled over his best friend for a DUI what would he do?

O'Sullivan stated he would do his job by the books and do what is needed and see the job through.

Chairmen Prescott asked what he knew about Shirley?

O'Sullivan stated Shirley was incorporated in 1753 and named after Governor William Shirley. It is also the center hub of many communities and has a lot of traffic and a great relationship with the surrounding communities.

Chief Goulden announced the next candidate is David Lange

Selectmen Swain asked "What do you see the job of Police in Shirley?"

Lange stated that the job was very heavily involved in the community. Things like dressing our sergeant up like Santa clause. We provide security, comfort, and a little entertainment.

Selectmen Dumont asked "What is your best asset?"

Lange state loyalty ass his best asset.

Chairmen Prescott asked Lange where he saw himself in 5 years' time.

Lange stated hopefully in Shirley.

Selectmen Swain asked what your biggest liability is.

Lange stated that sometimes he gets a little nervous, but overcome by seeking those with experience.

Selectmen Dumont asked what Lange would do if he pulled over his best friend on a DUI?

Lange stated he would ask to be relieved of the call due to having a close relationship that may cloud his judgment..

Selectmen Swain asked why Lange wanted to be a police officer?

Lange stated he couldn't do a desk job and want to see all of life, policing allows you to do that.

Chief Goulden announced that William McGuinness will be the next candidate

Selectmen Swain asked what he saw the job being?

McGuinness stated the job is a very complicated one. When you are in a small town people recognize you while buying milk and time to time discretion needs to be used. If you need to arrest someone, you do that , but you use discretion when deciding to punish or not punish someone.

Selectmen Dumont asked what is your best asset?

McGuinness stated the ability to listen.

Chairmen Prescott asked what do you know about Shirley?

McGuinness Knows all the basic and that this was part of Groton in the 1700's. Shakers lived here in what is now known as MCI Shirley.

Selectmen Swain asked what is your biggest liability?

McGuinness believes his report writing but has taken a course on it. Chief Goulden states his reports have gotten better.

Mr. McGuinness took a second to discuss his time going to the DARE academy and what it has allowed him to bring to the table. McGuinness believes he would be an asset to our local school aged community.

Chief Goulden announced Joseph Santiago as the final candidate

Selectmen Swain asked what does the job of Police officer mean to you

Santiago states that a police officer needs to be more community oriented than in the past.

Selectmen Dumont asked what was Santiago's best attribute?

Santiago states that his experience will be his best asset. He has been in law enforcement since 1997 and will bring a lot of training to the position. Coming from a NYPD family he also understands what needs to be done.

Chairmen Prescott asked what do you know about Shirley?

Santiago states it was incorporated in 1753 and the population has grown significantly since 2010.

Selectmen Dumont asked if you pulled over your best friend for a DUI what would you do?

Santiago states that he would let another Officer do a majority of that call since there is a conflict of interest. Santiago states he would let the courts handle the situation.

Selectmen Prescott asked what Santiago would do if an armed and dangerous person ran into a building and he was alone?

Santiago states he would wait for backup and then go in to protect himself, but if it is a school he must stop the threat.

Selectmen Swain asked Santiago why he wanted to be a Police Officer?

Santiago says he has always wanted to be a Police Officer because he has watched his father and brother serve. Santiago says it's in his blood.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Prescott announced the next Board of Selectman's meeting will be January 25th 2015 at 7:00pm

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, *Motion and Seconded to adjourn at 8:04 p.m., Robert E. Prescott vote Aye , Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain, vote Aye .*

Respectfully submitted,
Nathan R. Boudreau, Executive Assistant

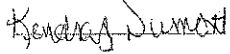
Date Accepted: _____



Robert E. Prescott, Jr., Chair



David N. Swain, Vice Chair



Kendra J. Dumont, Clerk

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