BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES – January 12, 2015

SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES

Present: Mr. Fydenkevez, Mr. Pierce, Mr. Bergeron

Others: Margaret Nartowicz

Behind the Camera: Marina Korpita, FCAT

• Call to order at 6:30p.m.

- Executive Session MGL c.30A, §21, ¶4 read by Chair, Mr. Fydenkevez. Motion by Mr. Pierce to enter into Executive Session, 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Roll Call Bergeron-yes, Fydenkevez-yes, Pierce-yes. Vote 3-0. Reconvened in open session at 6:55 p.m.
- FCAT Open House Announcement Annual open house January 29th, 4:30pm at FCAT in South Deerfield. Open house in Sunderland on January 26th at 6:30pm, right before Board of Selectmen meeting in the 2nd floor open area. Lacey Arnold gave an overview of FCAT activities. Mr. Fydenkevez-Request to film senior center facilities needs assessment meeting/open house on January 20th at 4pm.
- Budget Hearings Overview of budget process by Ms. Nartowicz. Revenues discussion.
- Highway Department Budget Request George Emery gave an overview of budget request and justification for restoration of 2 hours per week to do projects in timely manner and work on road/infrastructure maintenance plan & inventory. Discussion regarding snow and ice expenses; salt. Capital requests-repave Swampfield Drive, single axle dump truck, radio equipment-could Franklin County Radio Communications Board expand reach to include Highway radios?, holder replacement-existing attachments would fit new holder. Generator capital request is off the table with purchase of Mt. Holyoke's generator. Multi-town shared bucket truck proposal. Talking with other towns. Swampfield Dr. repaving and radios priority #1.
- December 22, 2014 Minutes Motion by Mr. Pierce to approve December 22, 2014 minutes, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0. (Mr. Bergeron not present.)
- January 5, 2015 Minutes-Motion by Mr. Pierce to approve January 5, 2015 minutes, 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 2-0. (Mr. Fydenkevez not present.)
- 120 North Main Street Site Feasibility Analysis RFP Mr. Bergeron explained the 120 North Main Street RFP process. Motion to approve issuing RFP by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 3-0.
- Fire Department Budget Request Chief Ahearn and Assistant Chief Benjamin. Overview of budget request by Chief Ahearn. Discussion regarding Town building generators. Chief Ahearn-Franklin County Tech School may work on generator hookup projects. Capital requests-Replace pumper-tanker and mini pumper with a single truck. Chief Ahearn- New England Health Center pipes burst on Saturday. Residents had to be brought to shelter. Patients have been relocated to other nursing homes. One wing of nursing home might be able to be reopened as soon as tomorrow.
- FY16 Revenues Expected to be tight in the coming year-will be a challenging budget year. Mr. Fydenkevez- School choice discussion in Deerfield is interesting. Need to watch Frontier E & D situation.
- Solar Working Group Discussion regarding solar projects. Kickoff meeting next Wednesday, January 21st at 7:00pm. Mr. Fydenkevez-Maybe town could partner with other entities for energy projects.
- Board of Selectmen Updates Mr. Fydenkevez-South County Senior Center open house and needs
 assessment meeting Tuesday, January 20th, 4-7pm. Wrisley has donated use of vehicle for transportation to
 the meeting. TRIAD officer will drive the vehicle. Senior Center is growing. SCEMS still meeting its
 numbers; reimbursements are on target; response time less than 8 minutes. Next Friday and Saturday MMA
 conference. SCEMS receiving innovation award.

Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Pierce and 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 2-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Nartowicz

Sunderland Town Administrator

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