

Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, January 22, 2018
Town Office Building

Attending: D. Pierce, S. Bergeron, T. Fydenkevez, S. Patch

Others in Attendance: Finance Committee members: F. Mozea, E. Crowe, W. Powers; Library Trustees

Behind the Camera: FCAT

Meeting called to order at 6:48PM.

FY19 Library Budget Presentation

K. Hand, Library Director presented the year's statistics for energy usage and other building expenses and repairs. She noted level services have been maintained. Mr. Bergeron asked if the expense formula meets state requirements which Ms. Hand agreed it does. Ms. Starr stated that the library does a considerable amount of private fundraising to meet the state Materials Expenditure Requirement (MER). This year they are hoping to raise \$9,000. Ms. Hand advised that the CWMARS membership is \$9,000 per year and must come from the budget and not private donations. The private fundraising helps to offset the cost of the membership.

MINUTES

Mr. Bergeron Motion to accept Minutes of January 8, 2018, Second Mr. Fydenkevez, Vote 3-0.

UPDATES

- Mr. Bergeron announced there would be a meeting tomorrow with the Finance Management Team to discuss the long range forecast for the town.
- Mr. Fydenkevez gave an update on the MMA Trade Show held last weekend in Boston. He had an opportunity to meet with Mass DOT regarding our North Main Street reconstruction project and the process for moving forward. The discussion involved materials for the proposed roundabout, improve crosswalk visibility options, solar powered signage and the community compact complete streets projects. The MMA meeting included breakout sessions regarding legalizing marijuana and Opioids as well.
- Mr. Pierce stated the Personnel Committee met with the Library Director and Trustees. The Committee is trying to wrap up a programmatic approach and would be meeting again to finalize.
- Selectmen would like the Budget request memo inserted in their Budget Books.
- Mr. Fydenkevez expressed that hard work is involved with the budget process and to understand building costs, etc. Department Heads have to be aware of building costs as well as the Town Administrator to adequately plan budget projections for department operation and building maintenance.
- The Board requested Ms. Patch pursue the Public Safety Complex solar project be revisited with Beacon Integrated Solutions.

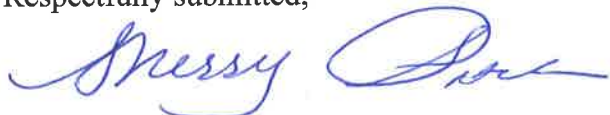
APPOINTMENTS

- Hollis Graves recommended for position of ZBA Associate. Motion Mr. Fydenkevez, Second Mr. Bergeron for discussion, Vote 3-0. Mr. Bergeron asked where the vacancy had been posted and it was noted postings were on the website.
- Fire Chief Steve Benjamin recommended Laurie Smith be appointed as Emergency Management Director, Motion Mr. Bergeron to accept appointment recommendation, Second Mr. Fydenkevez, Vote 3-0.

Next Board of Selectmen's meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2018.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Bergeron at 7:17PM, Second Mr. Fydenkevez Vote 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherry Patch
Town Administrator