

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2018**

PRESENT: Mr. James A. Gagner, Jr., Chairman and Mr. Marc W. Richard; Vice-Chairman and Mr. Dario F. Nardi, Clerk
ATTENDEES: See Attached List

Opened the Meeting at 7:00 PM

Chairman Gagner Opened the Meeting and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. He notified all in attendance that this evening's meeting was being both video and audio recorded. Ms. Colleen Montague advised she was audio taping this evening's meeting.

MINUTES

Motion to approve the Minutes of January 9, 2018, as written made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the work meeting from December 20, 2017 as written made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – 2 Yes, Mr. Nardi Abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. The office received the monthly report of CERT/Emergency Management for month ending December 2017. -**Noted**
2. The office received a request from the Fire Department to use funds allocated from the IT line item for the installation of a phone system by Crocker Communications. This would allow the station to utilize the broadband fiber optic system that was installed in the station. The Police Department also uses this system and has had great success. A quote is provided for your consideration. – **Unanimously approved by the Board.**
3. The Village Bakery & Bistro is hoping to hold a soft opening on Sunday, February 4th which is expected to run from Noon to 3 PM. Additional information will be forthcoming. - **Noted. The Board encouraged all residents to support our new business.**

CITIZENS ACTION COMMITTEE

Members of the committee are in attendance this evening to discuss once again the issue of Tax Title Custodian. The Treasurer was not able to attend this evening and asked that the Board hold off on making any decision until she has time to do further research. Mr. Lavash, who was the previous Tax Title Custodian asked if the Board was going to advertise. Mr. Gagner requested that the office contact surrounding towns to see if they have a job description. Mrs. Mundell asked for clarification as to the chain of command with this position. The Board will discuss further at an upcoming meeting.

CHIEF SPIEWAKOWSKI – VEHICLE FLEET MILEAGE/MEMA GRANT PORTAL

The matter of vehicle mileage has been discussed at length several times now and the Chief is here to discuss again. He stated that he is the only one who has town vehicles who is required to supply the Board with monthly mileage. The Chief further stated that this information is only to appease two people in town. Mr. Richard is tired of discussing this issue and requested that he continue to provide the information in his monthly report. He (Richard) feels that this can be used as a useful tool in Capital Planning. With no further discussion, the following motion was made: Motion to have the Police Chief continue providing mileage in his monthly reports made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Nardi – 2 Yes, 1 No (Mr. Gagner).

The Chief also was here this evening to discuss a MEMA Training he recently went to. MEMA opened a grant portal system in which numerous employees can be users to the site. He will provide information on additional trainings that are coming up. Hourly rates can be pre-loaded which would expedite and repayment to the town. This will help in the case of an incident that would result in MEMA participation. There is zero cost to the town associated with this program.

MEDICAL/RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA

Mr. Gagner requested that our office contact the Planning Board and schedule a meeting that is convenient for both to discuss the Medical and Recreational Marijuana.

FY 19 BUDGET DISCUSSION

The Finance Committee is down several members and any residents interested in serving should contact the Town Moderator, Atty. Vincent McCaughey for consideration for appointment. Mrs. Soltys stated that Mr. Mongeon was going to advertise on the cable channel also.

TREASURY WARRANTS & INVOICES

Motion to approve and sign Warrant numbers 58 & 59 dated January 15, 2018 in the amounts of \$36,298.00 and \$181,980.89 respectively made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

Motion to approve and sign Warrant numbers 60 & 61 dated January 22, 2018 in the amounts of \$39,825.59 and \$33,115.62 respectively made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

Motion to approve and sign FY 16, Invoice No. 13 for the Community Assistance Program – Grant No. 00783 to PVPC in the amount of \$11,491.04 made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

Motion to approve and sign FY 16 Final Invoice No. 14 for the Community Assistance Program – Grant No. 00783 to PVPC in the amount of \$16,755.76 made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Nardi advised all that National Grid is at their conclusion of the audit on the Streetlight Program which will close out the incentive portion, which will net an additional \$13,000.00 back to the town.

Mr. Gagner met with the new management team of Circore (formally Warren Pumps) and is hoping to be able to work with the schools with regard to skilled labor.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Mr. Soltys wanted to clarify that he is not picking on the Police Chief, he's just asking questions. Also he requested at this time that Chief Lavoie provide mileage for his cruiser and the ambulance. The Board unanimously voted no to his request.

The cell tower is on hold temporarily due to the weather. There is a meeting regarding Reed Street water on January 29th at 10 AM for anyone interested and in closing, Chief Lavoie stated that the brush truck should be in service by the end of the week. He once again thanked all for their support.

Next Meeting Date: February 13, 2018 at 7 PM.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra
Administrative Secretary

Dario F. Nardi, Clerk

