

Board of Selectmen
Minutes

Date: February 25, 2015

Members Present: Janet Flinkstrom, Mike McCallum and Steve Ingerson

Time: 7:08 p.m.

2) Motion to approve minutes of January 28, 2015 as recorded.

Motion: Mike McCallum Seconded: Steve Ingerson Vote: Unan

Question: Why have you stopped including the figures on the agenda?

Answer: It is not required by the AG's or Secretary of State's office.

3) Warrant #W33P approve and sign Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$58,001.76 subject to further review.

Motion: Mike McCallum Seconded: Janet Flinkstrom Vote: JF - Aye
MM - Aye
SI - Abstain

4) Warrant #34B approve and sign Vendor Warrant in the amount of \$53,692.40 subject to further review.

Motion: Mike McCallum Seconded: Janet Flinkstrom Vote: JF - Aye
MM - Aye
SI - Abstain

FY16 NMRSD Budget Discussion (Superintendent Landers and Nancy Haines):

Supt. Landers started with a disclaimer – we have no information from the Governor; no numbers. Public Hearing Budget booklets provided to all Selectmen and all in attendance.

Stated that figures in the booklet are not the final numbers. It is all they have as of this meeting and they will not be voting to certify the budget until March 9, 2015.

Kevin Stetson asked if meetings could be held later than 5:00 p.m. Supt. Landers states that is something she will check into. Kevin stated 7ish would be better.

She has a goal of having a fiscally responsible budget.

She went through booklet page by page and explained what each page meant.

MM asked for an explanation of chart on page 10. Supt. explained this to BOS.

Supt. suggested a separate meeting to fully explain what this chart actually means as people were having a hard time understanding it. This is going to be scheduled at a later date.

The budget is without the final government contributions & is 5.81% higher than FY15.

Considerable conversation in regards to the Resource Officer was addressed.

5) Motion for Selectmen to approve and sign on 2 Discharge of Mortgages. (Tax Collector)

Registry of Deed in Book 47617, Page 516 and Registry of Deed in Book 49146, Page 239

Motion: Mike McCallum Seconded: Steve Ingerson Vote: Unan

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6) Motion to approve and sign on Special Recall Election Warrant. (Town Clerk)

Motion: Mike McCallum

Seconded: Janet Flinkstrom

Vote: JF - Aye
MM - Aye
SI - Nay

Lillian Whitney asked that the Recall Warrant be read in its entirety. Read by MM

Request for Selectmen's approval and signatures on Weston and Sampson engineering services contract:

SI asked how much of the price was to be paid for by the Ashby Market. MM gave an explanation of information he had. Heated discussion about contract not stating exact amount to be paid by Ashby Market. LW also in on discussion. JF tried to explain to Lillian about Weston & Sampson engineer who came to previous Selectmen's meeting and discussed all of this to the entire Board. Chairman interrupted by SI. JF had to announce to SI that he was "out of order". SI reply: "I really don't care". MM said all this was also discussed at Town Meeting and approved by Town Meeting vote.

7) Motion to approve and sign on Weston and Sampson Contract.

Motion: Mike McCallum

Seconded: Janet Flinkstrom

Vote: JF - Aye
MM - Aye
SI - Nay

Request for Acceptance of the Resignation of Kathy Becker:

Letter read by MM. JF spoke on the wonderful job she has done and she will be missed.

8) Motion to accept the resignation of Kathy Becker as Council on Aging Director effective May 2, 2015.

Motion: Mike McCallum

Seconded: Steven Ingerson

Vote: Unan

Northeast Municipal Gas Pipeline Coalition Update (if any) given by J. Pipeline will not be going through Ashby at this time. Also read E-Mail on the Clean Water Act. Announcement on Warrant Articles and when they are due made.

Any Other Business Not reasonably anticipated by the Chairman:

LW passed out a letter which she is submitting. JF asked if it was on a form. JF and MM explained to her she did not ask for a response on her original letter. Her letter was statements & a list of facts. SI asked JF how payroll was paid 2 weeks ago if they didn't have a meeting. JF and Lorraine Pease signed the warrants because the Board did not have quorum. Town Clerk only signs when no quorum.

9) Motion to adjourn at 9:39 p.m.

Motion: Mike McCallum

Seconded: Steve Ingerson

Vote: Unan

Signed by: _____

Dates Minutes Approved by Board of Selectmen: _____