Board of Selectmen
Minutes

Date: October 7, 2015

Members Present: Janet Flinkstrom, Mike McCallum and Mark Haines

Time: 7:05 p.m.

2) Selectmen approve the minutes of September 23, 2015 as recorded.

Motion: Mike McCallum
Seconded: Mark Haines
Vote: Unan

3) Warrant #W13P FY16 approve and sign Payroll Warrant in the amount of $57,462.78 subject to further review.

Motion: Mike McCallum
Seconded: Mark Haines
Vote: Unan

4) Warrant #W14B FY16 approve and sign Vendor Warrant in the amount of $95,457.87 subject to further review.

Motion: Mike McCallum
Seconded: Mark Haines
Vote: Unan

Formation of School Facilities Committee (Superintendent Joan Landers):

Supt. will be attending all 3 Towns’ Selectmen’s meetings to ask for a Representative from each Town to serve on a District Facilities Committee to look at enrollment and usage because Squannacook and Peter Fitz are not at full capacity. Squannacook is Pre-School. Also just had an engineering report done concerning damage incurred at Squannacook during a blizzard. They would like to meet twice a month on Friday mornings before people go to work to give input and suggestions as to ways to help the school district make decisions ahead of the budget season. They would like someone within the next 2 to 3 weeks if possible. Will meet now through March for this particular focus. JL is going to put something together to send to the Selectmen so they can give out to potential committee members. She reported she had been attending school building meetings as much as possible and invited the Board to come for a site visit any time they would like. The Board is going to look for a Representative for the committee and see if anyone is interested and put on the next agenda. Contact Jennifer Collins at Town Hall if interested.

DLTA Agreement with Montachusett Regional Planning Commission to provide planning services (Alan Pease). The Town, thru the Planning Board, has applied twice this year for this grant & it will be used to update the Land Use chapter of our 2004 Community Development Plan & incorporate the Economic Development Plan. There is no cost to the Town for this grant. Lillian Whitney asked what the DLTA was for and what the advantage was. Also asked if it cost the Town anything.
5) Selectmen approve and Chairman signs on DLTA Grant Agreement.

Motion: Mike McCallum  Seconded: Mark Haines  Vote: Unan

6) Selectmen approve and Chairman signs on Comstar Ambulance Write-offs for $14,805.98.

Motion: Mike McCallum  Seconded: Mark Haines  Vote: Unan

Request for CDBG Subordination Agreement approval for $11,250.00 plus an overage of $6,000.00: Beth Ann Scheid explained what this is for. This will be notarized by Lois Raymond who has the Boards signatures on file.

7) Selectmen approve and sign on FY03 CDBG Grant Recipient Subordination Agreement dated 10/07/15 original mortgage Book 43640 Page 525.

Motion: Mike McCallum  Seconded: Mark Haines  Vote: Unan

Northeast Municipal Gas Pipeline Coalition Update (if any): None

Any Other Business Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chairman: None

Public Comments (if any): Lillian Whitney reported on an event for Veterans at Devens on 10/23/15.

Assistant Town Administrator’s Report: Read by MM Available on Ashby Website.

Materials Grant Program was explained by John Pankosky and what the plan for the money was going to be. New this year we can carry the money over from year to year. Combine the money to build a building so we can keep things for our swap shed out of the weather. Can also be spent on composting bins etc. He also displayed food scrap buckets that are available for sale for $5.00.

8) Selectmen enter Executive Session to Discuss the Physical Condition of an Individual at 7:52 p.m. and will return to Open Session.

Motion: Mike McCallum  Seconded: Mark Haines  Vote: JF/MM/MH - Aye

Return to Open Session at 8:14 p.m.

9) Motion to Adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Motion: Mike McCallum  Seconded: Mark Haines  Vote: Unan

Signed by: ________________________________

Dates Minutes Approved by Board of Selectmen: ________________