



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2015

Members Present: Bob Beeman, Brian Kellogg, Steve Rae & Joni Lanphear.

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Charlie McArthur, Listing Coordinator; Mary Ann Wilson, Town Clerk/Treasurer; Carol Bradley, Finance Director; Nathan Pickard, EMS Department Chief & Denny Digregorio, Fire Chief.

Guests: Shawn Goodell, Yvette Mason, Eric Dodge, Janet Lanphear & Dennis Smith.

Bob Beeman called the Selectboard meeting to order at 6:00PM

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. None

II. APPROVE MINUTES

1. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Joni Lanphear to approve Minutes of October 26, 2015. Motion carried. (4/0)**
2. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Joni Lanphear to approve Minutes of October 28, 2014. Motion carried. (3/0/1) Steve Rae abstained.**
3. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg seconded by Steve Rae to approve minutes of November 2, 2015. Motion carried. (4/0)**

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. **MORRISTOWN CEMETERIES-** Dennis Smith, Representative of the Morristown Cemetery Association would like the Town's help with the Randolph Cemetery. A neighboring property owner is interested in letting the cemetery use a portion [an approximate 200x25 foot section] of their land for parking. Dennis is asking for the Town Highway crew's help in clearing and improving the lot. There is also room to make some additional grave sites but it will need some topsoil and seed. Selectboard would like their attorney to look into a license to use and also have the Highway Crew along with Dan Lindley, Town Administrator take a look at the area.

2. INTERVIEW CANDIDATES-

Selectboard interviewed the two candidates Yvette Mason and Eric Dodge that are interested in filling the vacant seat on the Selectboard. Selectboard would like to discuss in executive session before making a decision. Decided to table until end of meeting for a personnel executive session.

3. ERRORS & OMISSIONS - Charlie reviewed with the Selectboard the changes to the Grand List due to billing errors and Tax Stabilization.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to approve Errors & Omissions as presented. Motion carried. (4/0)

4. EMS BILLING RATES - Nathan Pickard would like to increase the billing rates to make them more in line with other local agencies. The increase in rates would potentially increase the revenues and could then help fund additional staffing that is needed. The Selectboard would like more time to review the changes to see how they might impact the budget before making a decision. Carol Bradley, Finance Director asked if the Selectboard could at least vote on the Special Care Transport Fees(\$1000.00 per transport) as this is a new charge and we have had a couple transports that fall under this category.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to approve adding Special Care Transport at \$1000 per transport to the current billing. Motion carried. (4/0)

V. OLD BUSINESS

None

VI. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

None

VII. TA REPORT

1. Maple Street Project is complete. Dan thanked the Highway and Village Crew for all their great work on the project. The Selectboard thanked Dan for all his work on getting the project off the ground and complete.
2. Budget Books have been handed out. The first budget meeting will be November 16, 2015.
3. Health Insurance meeting went well and most all employees have signed up under the new plan.

VIII. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Joni Lanphear-

- None.

Steve Rae-

- None.

Brian Kellogg-

- Thanks to the school boards for their work on the Nov 3 Merger vote.
- Where are we at with Sun Valley Rd. ? Dan said a representative called and asked about municipal loans to help with the cost of bringing the road up to Town Spec's. It doesn't look like they will be doing any work until Spring.

Bob Beeman- Thanks to everyone who worked to make Halloween a safe environment for the community.

IX. APPROVE WARRANTS

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to approve warrants as presented though November 9, 2015. Motion carried.(4/0)

X. OTHER BUSINESS-

Personnel Issue-

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to find that premature general public knowledge of employee relations to the body will clearly place the town at a substantial disadvantage. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to enter executive session to discuss employee relations under the provisions of Title 1 Section 313 (a) (1) of the Vermont Statutes. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to come out of Executive Session at 8:10PM. Motion carried. (4/0)

Selectboard met with the two candidate for Selectboard and told them that they were not going to make an appointment at this time and encouraged both candidates to run for Selectboard at Town meeting. They indicated that they were both good candidates and thought they would both be valuable asset to the Town.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Joni Lanphear adjourn at 8:15PM. Motion carried. (4/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 10th day of November 2015
Erica Allen, Scribe

Please note all minutes are in draft form and are subject to approval at the next Selectboard meeting.