

Selectmen Meeting 5/24/2016

Approved Minutes

<u>Present:</u> Selectmen Bernie O'Grady, Charlie Moser and Louise Lavoie; Kathy Wile, Brenda Wiley, Deb Morrison; members of the public.

<u>Called to Order:</u> Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Louise Lavoie.

Approvals:

- It was noted that the accounts payable and payroll manifests were signed.
- Minutes of the 5/10 Selectmen meeting had been read. It was noted that Roy Lundstedt is Highway Foreman, not Acting Road Agent as written in the minutes. Louise made a motion to accept them with that correction. Motion seconded by Charlie, Louise and Charlie vote to accept minutes of 5/10 BOS meeting as amended, Bernie abstained.

New Business:

Lynn McCann, Chair of the Library Trustees, came with Robin Smith, their nominee to fill Christine Weiss' empty trustee position. Robin and Lynn explained that Robin had formerly been a trustee, was familiar with the job and ready to resume a trustee position. It was clarified that her term would expire at the next Town Election in March, 2017. Appointment papers will be drawn up.

The tax warrant was presented to be signed. Selectmen looked through language, matched numbers to approved amount in the Town Report. Charlie moved to sign the warrant as admitted, seconded by Bernie, 3 votes to sign the warrant as presented. All three signed off on it.

Next item was regarding oil burner inspections, and who (fire chief vs building inspector) should be doing those. Recent meeting conversation had the fire chief delegating that to the building inspector if he were qualified/comfortable with that process, but no final decision was recalled. Kathy mentioned that most recent conversation with the State Fire Marshall indicated it needed to be the fire chief; Louise will confirm that with Chief Baker.

Approval of the posting of time and place for the fall primary election was the next item. Deb Morrison reviewed that it had been decided that it would be held at the Town Hall, from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM. There was conversation about whether that was a long enough day, Deb said those were the traditional hours for state primaries and last election there were fewer than 300 voters.

Charlie moved to approve the posting of the State Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at the Mason Town Hall between the hours of 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM. Seconded by Louise, 3 votes to approve the posting as written.

Non-Public:

Louise made a motion to enter into non-public session, per reason of RSA 91A:3 II(a). Motion seconded by Bernie, all 3 voted in the affirmative. Board entered Non-Public session at 7:45. Board returned to public session at 8:03. Unanimous vote to seal the minutes.

Old Business:

Groundwater test results on the Manns' property adjacent to the highway department were discussed. ChemServe results listed numbers found, but no corresponding list of acceptable limits for different items. Although written and verbal report was that all tests were well below the level of unacceptable, Kathy was asked to get follow up documentation from ChemServe with that information.

Pipeline funds were discussed, in particular whether it was appropriate for the Selectmen to approve continued spending from that account on behalf of further efforts of the Pipeline Coalition that were not part of the NED project. After reviewing the language of the Article (7) passed at Town Meeting, the selectmen were in agreement that further spending would not be appropriate, and payment would be limited to what had been completed as directly relating to the KM/TNG NED project. This included projects to be done by Kane Conservation. Barbara Devore reported that the CC had met with them, and that phase one, which had been contracted, was completed and they were awaiting a final report. No further work has been contracted at this time.

Bernie wanted to know who gets the final report, as the Town has been invoiced. Barbara said it will go to CC.

Charlie added that a petition to dismiss/deny had been filed with FERC, and this was still awaiting resolution. Any further expenses on that would need to be covered, but no other activities at this time.

Public Forum:

Barbara Devore wanted to acknowledge the great work and value of the library. Agreed by selectmen that it is an asset to the town.

Louise reported that on Thursday evening last week the NRPC held a training on emergency response at Parker's, and it was attended by herself and Dave Baker in addition to representatives of several towns. The issues covered were particular to pipeline disasters, and she wished they had been more inclusive of other natural disasters.

Adjourned:

Motion to adjourn was made by Louise, seconded by Charlie, three votes to adjourn were made at 8:32 PM

Next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for Tuesday June 14, 2016 at 7:30 PM at the Mann House.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Wile