

Selectmen Meeting 7/12/2016

Approved Minutes

**<u>Present:</u>** Selectmen Bernie O'Grady, Charlie Moser and Louise Lavoie; Kathy Wile, Brenda Wiley, Pat Letourneau, 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 June 28, 2016 meeting were reviewed, Charlie moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Bernie. 3 votes to approve as written,
- Minutes of the July 5, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Charlie moved to approve the minutes of 7/5/16 as written, seconded by Bernie, 3 votes to approve as written.

# New Business:

- Pat Letourneau, Treasurer was asked to come into the meeting. Louise by way of background said that the BOS had made some security changes in the building, and had neglected to give her a key to get access to some folders she needed to do the treasurer's job. The key/access issue had been remedied, checking to be sure there was nothing further needed. Pat said she was set with access. Louise said the board wanted to publicly apologize for the inconvenience and lack of sufficient communication regarding changes being made.
- There was a copy of the Fish and Game OHRV grant contract for the police department, which Chief Maxwell had wanted the selectmen to review and authorize him signing on behalf of the department/town. Charlie moved to authorize Kevin to sign the contract, seconded by Bernie. 3 votes to authorize Kevin to sign were made.
- Internet limitations were on the agenda. This issue has been resolved, with the upgrade underway due to be completed 7/14 there should be more service available by 7/15.

## Old Business:

- IT improvement plan was up for discussion; Louise was not able to complete the RFP for the wiring work, will finish as soon as possible.
- NHMA Conference information was discussed, Charlie is still interested in attending the 9/23 event.

## **Informational Items:**

- There was a copy of a letter from the Moderator to the MES superintendent confirming the request to use the multi-purpose room of the school for the November election, voting hours to be 8:00 AM-7:30 PM.
- A letter of request for funding support for FY 2017 had been received from Child Advocacy Center of Hillsborough County. Selectmen agreed the town had received

the request in years past as well, had never acted on it, and asked that the letter be kept for consideration in the 2017 budget folder.

- Two courtesy notices from the town of Townsend were noted.
- Courtesy notice from the Town of Merrimack Planning Board re a hearing on a communication tower was also noted as having already been seen.
- A notice from PLT regarding a special meeting to consider by-law changes, change to coverage and loss portfolio transfer to be held July 21. It was noted PLT no longer provides our coverage, and there are no known outstanding claims to be serviced by them for the Town. Charlie asked about their pool of funds; letter was scanned but did not see the answer. Kathy was asked to follow up on that.
- A letter had been received from MES Superintendent Kivela regarding projected enrollment for 2017-18 and beyond. She projected an increase in tuition numbers for Milford for 2017-18, and that things look to even off after that year. Selectmen said that the amount returned to the town from this previous school year, along with the budget changes in effect for this year, should make the transition easier to take for taxpayers. The school letter will be added to the FY 2017 folder.

#### **Public Forum:**

- No comments were initially offered. Louise welcomed Wolfgang back to meetings. He asked if the NED money would be put back to offset the tax rate for the next bill. Selectmen agreed it is to go back to the general fund, but that there are still outstanding responsibilities to that fund, the account is not closed out yet.
- Patricia Pina asked if this meeting were also a BOA meeting as so many members were in attendance. Louise said it was not, but it is a public meeting.
- Wolfgang asked if the board could confirm selection of a new road agent. It was confirmed that Dave Morrison would be starting in that position on August 1.

#### Non-Public:

• Motion to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,IIc, to discuss a tax exemption decision, was made by Charlie, seconded by Bernie, roll call noted three votes to enter non-public were made at 7:54 PM.

Public session was reconvened at 8:09 PM. Charlie moved to seal the non-public minutes, seconded by Bernie, for reason that divulgence of the information may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a member of the board. Roll call vote was three votes to seal the minutes of the session.

• Motion to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,IIc, to discuss property taxes, was made by Louise, seconded by Bernie, roll call noted three votes to enter non-public session at 8:13 PM.

Public session was reconvened at 8:35 PM. Charlie moved to seal the non-public minutes, seconded by Bernie, for reason that divulgence of the information may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a member of the board. Roll call vote was three votes to seal the minutes of the session.

• Motion to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,IIa and I to meet with the Fire Chief, was made by Louise, seconded by Bernie, roll call noted three votes to enter non-public session at 8:40 PM.

Public session was reconvened at 9:03 PM. Bernie moved to seal the non-public minutes, seconded by Louise, for reason that divulgence of the information likely would render a proposed action ineffective.. Roll call vote was three votes to seal the minutes of the non-public session.

#### Adjourned:

Charlie moved to adjourn, seconded by Bernie, unanimous vote to adjourn at 9:06 PM.

Next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 26, 2016 at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall. Please note that due to a hearing at 8:00 new business will be scheduled for the next scheduled BOS meeting on August 9, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Wile