

Selectmen Meeting 11/22/2016

Approved Minutes

<u>Present:</u> Selectmen Bernie O'Grady, Charlie Moser and Louise Lavoie; Kathy Wile, Brenda Wiley, Pat Letourneau;

<u>Called to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM by Louise Lavoie.

Selectmen met with new Kris Heikkila to extend an employment offer as new building inspector, discussed monthly meetings together to check in.

Approvals:

- The accounts payable and payroll manifests were signed.
- Minutes of the November 7, 2016 meeting were reviewed, asked to strike a line from p
 Louise and Bernie agreed; Charlie moved to accept minutes as amended, second by Bernie. Minutes accepted as amended with 3 affirmative votes.
- Minutes of the special November 11, 2016 meeting for job candidate interviews budget were reviewed. Bernie moved to accept as written, Louise seconded, 3 votes to accept minutes as written.
- Minutes of the November 15, 2016 preliminary budget meeting were briefly reviewed, Bernie moved to accept those minutes as written. Motion seconded by Charlie, 3 votes to accept the minutes as written.
- Minutes of the November 18, 2016 preliminary budget meeting were briefly reviewed, Bernie moved to accept those minutes as written. Motion seconded by Charlie, 3 votes to accept the minutes as written.
- Preliminary results of the 2016 Equalization Study from the assessor were available, along with the Equalization Certificate from DRA to be signed. Information was reviewed, Bernie moved to accept the report and new ratio of 96.4%, second by Charlie. Three votes to accept, DRA certificate signed and will be sent to DRA tomorrow.
- Two thank you letters were signed by selectmen.

New Business:

- A mailing from the State Fire Marshall's office asking towns to confirm their policy on fireworks was reviewed for accuracy. Mason is listed as having no restrictions. No action needed. Brief conversation about pyrotechnics vs fireworks.
- Treasurer had asked to be on agenda regarding further action to be taken as a result of the Auditor's report. It was agreed that no action needed to be taken, that the system in place is working well and is satisfactory.

Old Business:

• Rail Trail Policy: Conservation Commission had prepared a policy on use of the rail trail for personal mobility devices. Board was interested in how it was developed; Barbara Devore explained they used SPNHF rules, as well as state and federal laws on access.

- Board pleased it stayed with the spirit of non-motorized vehicles on the Rail Trail, and is simple. Charlie asked if perhaps the acceptance of use of these devices needed to be added to the ordinance re trail use. Agreement the Planning Board should hold a hearing for that inclusion; Charlie will write that up and coordinate with PB. No Town Meeting vote needed.
- IT at Mann House: Brenda reported on a meeting held that morning with her, Kristin, Rick and Peter (IT person) attending for the school; Brady Shulman as consultant to both school and town, and 4 people from Microtime. School supports the Town sharing the connection they have, there is a fiber optic cable that can be accessed through the Darling Hill side of the building which connects to the Fairpoint access point on the other side of the school. There would be some costs to be covered by the Town for miscellaneous wiring etc, Brady felt he could re-wire the routers to maintain firewalls and split the service. The whole service can be upgraded if not enough bandwidth for everyone. The school will initiate a contract for the Town to agree to.

 Decision to run the connection by trenching wires under the road was reaffirmed, Road Agent will be contacted by Microtime. Louise expressed regret that Kristin had not been fully informed on long range plans discussed last spring, and setting up a meeting next week between town and school will be handled by Kathy so the contract can be reviewed, signed and the work move forward as soon as possible.

Informational Items:

- UNH Extension Workshop being offered on Dec 14th in Salisbury on Forestry laws, timber cuts and related topics. Charlie may be able to attend, Bernie and Kathy were interested, and a copy was given to Barbara Devore to share with CC.
- Todd Haywood of Granite Hill Municipal Services had delivered his final report/manual (on the revaluation they did) earlier in the day. Lots of information on the process, the what and how's they arrived at the numbers they did. Resource for town on many levels.

Public Forum:

- Barbara Devore said the 250th celebration committee was wondering if, sometime beginning in early 2018, the Admin Asst for Selectmen could be the liaison with the Town insurance company to be sure everything needed was in place for that event. Selectmen agreed that could happen.
- Guy Daniello had 3 things to bring up. First, during his research for the Ruggiero exception, he had spoken with the Liquor Commission, and had been told letters of concern regarding a business get filed and reviewed when the business renews an application with them. Second was asking if the Town should consider a general noise/sound ordinance. Louise responded the PB had talked of that when the light ordinance was enacted, and had decided against it due to the technical issues involved and difficulty in monitoring/enforcing it. Concerns about problems arising from existing businesses and them being grandfathered were discussed. Charlie referred Guy to the Planning Board as the appropriate place to discuss a possible ordinance. Third question was if an applicant "goes back" on an agreement to conditions set on an exception, does that rescind the exception? Board said that through the site plan approval process, conditions are included in the plat. Any violations of those would be reported to BOS who would need to follow up on complaints.

• Bill Fritz asked about the process to move a member of BOA from an alternate to a full member? Answer was that it is done by vote of the Board, and informing BOS.

Non-Public Session: Motion to enter non-public session was made by Louise by reason of RSA 91-A:3,II(c), matters which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board. Second from Bernie, roll call vote to enter non-public session: Bernie O'Grady – yes, Louise Lavoie – yes, Charles Moser – yes at 7:50 PM. Entered non-public session with Deb Morrison, and Joe and Andrea Iodice.

Return to public session at 8:05, Louise asked for a copy of the document to be kept in Selectmen's office. Motion from Charlie to seal the minutes due to they could affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Roll call vote to seal minutes: Bernie O'Grady – yes, Louise Lavoie – yes, Charles Moser – yes. Motion to seal minutes passed.

Adjourned:

Motion to adjourn was made by Charlie, seconded by Bernie, three votes to adjourn were made at 8:54 PM.

Next scheduled meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday November 29, 2016 at 7:30 PM** at the Mann House for preliminary budget numbers. Next regular meeting is Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 7:30 PM at the Mann House.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Wile Admin Assistant