

Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 19, 2016

Present: Chairman Darcy; Selectmen Diorio; Gallagher; Nebelski; Rideout and TA Collins.

6:00 p.m. Chairman Darcy called the meeting to order.

Selectman Rideout made a motion to approve the public and non-public minutes of December 21, 2015 and January 12, 2016, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Diorio made a motion to approve the manifests dated January 19, 2016, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Diorio made a motion to approve the water job works abatement for Steve Fecto in the amount of \$107.52, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Rideout made a motion the facility rental application for the Town Hall by the HHS Class of 2016 for the semi-formal dance to be held on February 13, 2016, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Gallagher made a motion to approve the open container permit for the Hinsdale Firemen's Association annual picnic to be held on Saturday, August 20, 2015, second by Nebelski. Motion passes unanimously.

TA Collins informed the board that the water and sewer fees are being reviewed for possible increase in July of 2016.

TA Collins informed the board that Department Heads participated in a self-assessment of Hinsdale the past two Thursdays. Topics surveyed were: Revitalizing the Village & Town Centers; Strengthening the Economy; Public Infrastructure; and Connecting Community Members. This is part of the EPA project the town is working with. There will be a day long education workshop in the future.

Items emailed to the Selectmen for the review was the Warrant; Public Hearing Handout; and Capital reserve. The Selectmen discussed the warrant items. There will be a joint meeting with the Budget Committee to finalize the budget prior to the Public Hearing to be held on February 3rd and to review and vote on the warrant articles.

Chairman Darcy noted that the Town has received a complaint from a citizen regarding the closure of the Town Clerk's Office. The Town Clerk was absent today due to illness. There is a concern if she will be open tomorrow because election sign-ups begin. The Selectmen would like to invite the Town Clerk in to discuss the number of absences.

Jim O'Malley, School Board Rep, stated that there will be forum on January 27 to meet the new Superintendent; Mari Brunner gave a presentation of Safe Routes to School in regard to the traffic patterns at the school – Jim will forward the power point presentation to TA Collins so she can send to the Selectmen.

Selectman Diorio reiterated about the Forum to be held on January 27th; the budget hearing will be held on February 3rd; there is an interest to start project graduation back up; and the new one way signs are up on School Street.

Selectman Nebelski stated the lights are still out on the bridge.

Andrew Kellar, Solar Garden, joined the meeting. Skip Sansoucy, the town's utility assessor joined the meeting via phone. Andrew Kellar began by giving an update of the on the solar array on Monument Road and the proposed solar array on Washburn Way.

Discussion took place on the purchase of the power. Selectman Rideout discussed having a sliding scale rate instead of a set rate. Andrew stated he would take a look at a flexible rate.

Discussion took place regarding the taxation. The method of taxation was discussed: a cap rate of leased property with a review every five years. The multiplier would be 12.5% times the lease plus an 8% cap. The improvements would be taxed separately by taking the full fair market value of the improvements and the Selectmen would require a final and complete construction cost.

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Andrew will provide a projected income/expense statement. There will be a meeting on February 17th at 6:00 to further discuss the taxation of the solar array.

8:00 p.m. Selectman Diorio made a motion to enter into non-public under RSA 91:A-3, II, d. negotiation, second by Nebelski. The vote is as follows: Darcy – I; Diorio – I; Nebelski – I; Gallagher – I; Rideout – I. Motion passes unanimously.

8:25 p.m. Regular Session Reconvened.

Selectman Rideout made a motion to seal the minutes, second by Diorio. The vote is as follows: Darcy – I; Diorio – I; Gallagher – I; Nebelski – I; Rideout – I. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Rideout made a motion to hire Stephen LaFlam as a temporary custodian at the police station, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

8:25 p.m. Selectman Rideout made a motion to adjourn, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Collins
Town Administrator