

The Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 26, 2015

Present: Chairman Rideout; Selectmen Darcy; Gallagher; O'Malley; Smith; and TA Collins.

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

Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve the manifest of January 20, 22, & 26, 2015, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve the minutes and non-public minutes of January 12th, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve the Veterans Credit #012615-1, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve the Elderly Exemption #012615-2, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Smith made a motion to approve the Tax Abatement for Arthur Jacobs, 206 Plain Rd., Serial #2036 in the amount of \$138.30 and interest, second by Darcy. The 2nd quarter bill doubled. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Smith made a motion to approve the Tax Abatement for Arthur Jacobs, 206 Plain Rd., Serial #2037 for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th quarter 2014 in the amount of \$125.18 and interest, second by Darcy. The manufactured home was removed by April 1. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Gallagher made a motion to approve the sewer abatement for Jeffrey & Sheila Domingue, 76 High St. in the amount of \$21.03, second by Darcy. User fee miscalculated. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Smith made a motion to approve the 4th quarter water commitment in the amount of \$111,305.47 and the 4th quarter sewer commitment in the amount of \$78,269.54, second by Darcy. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve the open container permit for Dawn Morse for January 31, 2015 at the Community Center, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectmen Smith made a motion to approve the request to have the semi-formal dance at the town hall to be held February 14t, 2015, second by O'Malley. Motion passes unanimously.

6:15 p.m. Jennifer Palmiotto joined the meeting along with Water Supt. Dennis Nadeau. Granite State Rural Water Association through federal funding would like to perform a Flood Resilience Project for Hinsdale. This project would determine critical base flood elevation for the community; determine accurate elevations of infrastructure assets; compare flood elevations against critical assets; develop GIS maps and schematics of critical assets and flood elevations; identify vulnerabilities and develop mitigation options and cost estimates; and provide asset management training.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to move forward with the Flood Resilience Project and to get a quarterly update from Supt. Nadeau, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

The Selectmen reviewed the following Warrant Articles:

Article 2 – General Operating Budget: Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve Article 2 in the amount of \$3,602,692, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 3 – Water Department: Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve Article 3 in the amount of \$466,162, second by O’Malley. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 4 – Wastewater Treatment Plant: Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve Article 4 in the amount of \$350,330, second by O’Malley. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 5 – Sidewalk Project: Selectman Smith made a motion to approve Article 5 in the amount of \$469,782 to be funded with \$375,825 TAP Grant Funds and \$93,957 from the Sidewalk Improvement Fund, second by Darcy. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 6 – Loader: Selectman Gallagher made a motion to approve Article 6 entering into a 5 year lease in the amount of \$121,900 with the first payment of \$25,882.57, second by Darcy. Motion passes unanimously.

Article 7 – Monument Road Reconstruction Fund: Selectman Smith made a motion to approve Article 7 in the amount of \$50,000, second by Darcy. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 8 – Fire Apparatus Fund: Selectman Smith made a motion to approve Article 8 in the amount of \$40,000, second by O’Malley. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 9 – FD Breathing Apparatus Fund: Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve Article 9 in the amount of \$16,800, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 10 – Transit Service: Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve Article 10 in the amount of \$15,500, second by Gallagher. Discussion: Chairman Rideout requested to have information available for town meeting on this article, to include ridership updated. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 11 – Cleaning & Coating Water Tanks: Selectman O’Malley made a motion to approve Article 11 in the amount of \$15,000, second by Darcy. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 12 – Community Center Building Fund: Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve Article 12 in the amount of \$5,000, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

Article 13 – Contribution to American Red Cross and CASA: Discussion took place. American Red Cross request for this year is \$2,000; last year’s request was for \$600. CASA request is for \$500. Selectman Smith made a motion to separate the requests into two warrant articles, second by Darcy. Motion passes.

With the Articles being separated, no motion was made to fund American Red Cross in the amount of \$2,000; therefore the Article failed and will be taken off the Warrant.

Article 13 – Fund CASA: Selectman Smith made a motion to fund Article 13 in the amount of \$500, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously 5 – 0.

The Selectmen will review the Town Clerk & Tax Collector Compensation Policy final draft for their next meeting.

Article 14 – Town Clerk Compensation Plan: Selectman Gallagher made a motion to place the article on the warrant, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Article 15 – Tax Collector Compensation Plan: Selectman Darcy made a motion to place the article on the warrant, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Smith stated the Historical Society will be requesting funds as a warrant article. Sharon Smith will contact TA Collins to finalize request.

Selectman Darcy reminded everyone that there will be a budget hearing next Wednesday, February 4th. The budget committee will be meeting Wednesday, January 29th to finalize the budget.

Selectman O’Malley informed the board that the Planning Board approved apartments for across the street and approved the Solar Project on Monument Road.

Selectman Rideout stated the Rec Committee will be preparing a handbook for recreation sports.

7:10 p.m. Regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Gallagher made a motion to seal the minutes, second by Darcy. The vote is as follows: Darcy – I; Smith – I; Gallagher – I; O’Malley– I; Rideout - I. Motion passes unanimously.

7:10 p.m. Selectmen Darcy made a motion to adjourn, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Collins
Town Administrator