

*Selectmen's Meeting Minutes*

Monday, January 30, 2017

Present: Chairman Gallagher, Selectmen Diorio, Darcy, McCosker and Rideout; and T.A. Collins.

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

Selectman Diorio made a motion to approve the manifests of 1/30/17 and minutes of 1/23/17, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

NH Senator Jay Kahn introduced himself and thanked the board for the invitation. He lives in Keene and represents Keene and fourteen other towns in the county. He currently has one month experience in the Senate. He would like to bring local attention to the way in which utilities are assessed. He sits on the Senate Education Committee where he discussed adequacy funding, full-day kindergarten and school building aid. There are three bills being heard this week. He also sits on the Municipal Affairs Committee and mentioned the proposed bill to eliminate the requirement of perambulation. He is seeing a lot on accessory dwelling units and mentioned the Law effective July 1<sup>st</sup> and the need for towns to complete their ordinances. Senator Kahn also sits on the Joint Legislative Committee for administrative rules. Selectman Darcy noted upcoming House Bill 324 for tomorrow and House Bill 191 which was voted against in the committee.

Selectman Diorio made a **motion** to sign the Thank You letter to Tim Nichols, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a **motion** for the Chair to sign the Open Container Permit for Dawn Morse for a Wedding Anniversary on March 11, 2017 at the Community Center, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a **motion** for the Chair to sign the Open Container Permit for Michael Sarsfield for a Class Reunion on July 15, 2017 at the Pavilion, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to sign the Water Abatement for Beverly Bernier in the amount of \$43.23 for 2016 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins mentioned future meeting of February 6<sup>th</sup> and February 13<sup>th</sup> workshop. She had job descriptions for their review in advance of those dates.

James O'Malley asked the Select Board about the letter the School Board submitted and asked whether they had any reaction. This would be discussed after the public hearing. He noted there was a second public forum last week. He offered to make a presentation to the Selectmen. T.A. Collins will check the schedule and get back to him.

6:30 p.m. **Public Hearing was opened.**

6:53 p.m. **Public Hearing was closed.**

Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to approve the PILOT Agreement subject to the finalization of the exhibits with content acceptable to the Board of Selectmen and final approval of the agreement language by DRA, second by McCosker. The vote is as follows: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-I. Selectman Diorio abstained due to personal conflict. Motion passes.

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Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to approve the Letter of Support, second by Rideout. The vote is as follows: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-I. Selectman Diorio abstained due to personal conflict. Motion passes.

T.A. Collins stated that the Town Meeting date and time needed to be discussed, as well as Warrant Articles. Since both the Town and the School would like to go first, she made the suggestion to have the meetings on two separate Saturdays. A chart was available outlining prior Town Meeting and School Meeting statistics. Discussion followed including: Ann Diorio felt that she didn't feel the meeting would be as lengthy as what was on the handout and pointed out that 2013 information was missing. She noted that the last time the School Meeting went over two hours was in 2010. Selectman Rideout felt that townspeople have concerns about this. James O'Malley felt that after presentations citizens seem to support (the school) this and is hopeful that this will move forward. He is strongly advocating that this is the time to do it. Holly Kennedy felt that people would not like attending meetings on two separate Saturdays, the building is well in violation of fire codes, and that there will be greater impact on tax rates if it doesn't pass now. There was discussion of the length of time it took regarding having a bond and keeping the meeting open. Selectman Darcy noted that with bond meetings there is always discussion, there tends to be significant discussion and for him that is a reason for the Town to go first. Selectman Diorio was in favor of having both meetings on the same day. He is more concerned about what is practical and is in favor of the expansion or addition. Selectman McCosker is not in favor of going to two town meetings. T.A. Collins gave the missing figures for 2013, that meeting taking 4 hours and 20 minutes.

Selectman Diorio made a **motion** let the School go first this year and they provide us with an agreement that the Town goes first next year, second by McCosker. Discussion followed. The vote is as follows: Darcy-No, Diorio-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-No. Chairman Gallagher-I. Motion carries.

T.A. Collins stated she needed to know the starting time of Town Meeting. Discussion followed. Selectman McCosker made a motion to start the Town Meeting at noon (on March 18<sup>th</sup>, the School starting at 9:00), second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

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James MacDonell gave an update on the tax delinquency status.

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On discussion on the Warrants, T.A. Collins noted that the fire department building article got dropped with cutting and pasting. That will be corrected.

Selectman Darcy noted that we need to scrutinize and noted that next year we can try for the Cops Grant. To alleviate potential upset, he suggested possible change to the police officer hiring article. Todd stated that his goal is to protect the Town. Various scenarios were discussed.

There was discussion on the First Response Budget and the need to put effort in to having it exist and how to promote those positions. Chief Faulkner informed the Board that all is ready to go, it just needs to happen. Hinsdale is the second busiest community to Rescue Inc. Next Monday's meeting will look into this further.

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Selectman Rideout made a **motion** to put the Fire Station Building Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00 back on the Warrant, second by Diorio. (To be Article 9). Motion passes unanimously.

7:49 p.m. Selectman Diorio made a **motion to enter into non-public meeting** under RSA 91-A:3, II (b ) hiring, second by Darcy. The vote is as follows: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, Diorio-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-I. Motion passes unanimously.

8:00 p.m. Regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting, second by Rideout. The vote is as follows: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, Diorio-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-I. Motion passes unanimously.

8:01 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a **motion to enter into non-public meeting** under RSA 91-A:3, II (e) negotiations, second by McCosker. The vote is as follows: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, Diorio-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-I. Motion passes unanimously.

8:31 p.m. Regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting, second by McCosker. The vote is as follows: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, Diorio-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-I. Motion passes unanimously.

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8:31 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to adjourn, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden  
Secretary