

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 5, 2018 at Town Hall

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

6:00 p.m. Chairman Diorio called the meeting to order. He congratulated the girls' basketball team for winning the championship on Saturday.

Selectman Rideout made a **motion** to approve the manifests of 3/5/18, and the minutes of 2/26/18, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to approve and sign the Hinsdale Town Facility Request for Hinsdale Beautification Committee for March 9, 2018 re: crochet class, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to approve and sign the Hinsdale Town Facility Request for Hinsdale Beautification Committee for March 15, 2018 re: sign class, second by Rideout. It was clarified that this was a sign stenciling class. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. REPORTS/REQUESTS:

T.A. Collins informed the Board of the need to accept funds from Health Trust for the Wellness Program. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to accept funds from Health Trust for the Wellness Program in the amount of \$500.00, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Jill informed the Board that the Town Reports will be here tomorrow and Jill will post the Report online in the morning. She is getting newsletter out with voter's guide and those will be placed around town.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Selectman Gallagher noted a meeting on Wednesday and asked about a voting scheduling. Voting is a week from tomorrow. Discussion followed with each providing the Town Administrator times of availability at the polls.

Chair Diorio revisited a prior discussion of a possible ordinance addressing free stuff left on the sides of the road. Discussion followed to include time limits, and possible fines.

Selectman Darcy brought up the drainage pipe issue on Monument Road. Selectman Gallagher indicated that he had spoken to Dennis about this and Dennis has already spoken to the property owner about what is needed. T.A. Collins said the Town Attorney has reviewed the letter, changes were made, however she did not bring the letter tonight.

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CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Matt Palmer requested that the minutes reflect a *thank you* to the following businesses for donations this past weekend for the Youth Basketball Tournament: Northfield General Store, T-Bird, Main Street Marketplace, TNT Fireworks, and the Hinsdale Lions Club. Ten teams and approximately 150 kids participated. He also acknowledged the work and assistance of Brett Eastman and Wayne Dingman on this tournament.

Sean Leary noted that the proposed ordinance re: free stuff was brought up at the last Planning Board meeting by the Selectman Rep. He asked what the Board wanted the Planning Board to do. Chair Diorio indicated that the Selectmen will let the Planning Board know.

Lisa Prince was scheduled and present as she had questions on Article 15 of the Warrant. She presented the Board with a list of 13 questions on Article 15. She noted that she was curious about the article and wanted information prior to Town Meeting. She also indicated that she has known Julie Seymour for a long time, this is not personal, that she simply wanted information. T.A. Collins had a draft of a new Town Clerk Compensation Policy and presented a copy to Lisa. T.A. Collins answered the questions Lisa had outlined. She indicated that Julie, at a minimum is open 32 hours per week, putting in usually 35 to 36 hours per week. It was also noted that the current policy was created in 2015. Selectman Darcy noted that RSA states a Town Clerk is only required to be open 2 hours per month, indicating past issues with this. The first year proposed increase was discussed and broken down and it was noted that the dollar amount per \$1000 of assessed value would cost a little less than seven cents. Selectman Darcy noted that we now have a Town Clerk doing a good job and noting that prior to now, the Town has gone through rough patches with that position. It was also pointed out that there is an offset with this position, with a portion of fees going to the general fund. Lisa's concerns included this change possibly setting a precedence, and concerns of possibly having to retrain someone every three years. Jill indicated that the Tax Collector's Compensation Schedule is separate and circumstances are not the same. Lisa felt that the Deputy could work more hours. It was pointed out that we don't always have a deputy. Again, past problems were mentioned. Julie was present and indicated that the hours set for a deputy are a concern. If the Deputy cannot be here, the Town Clerk also needs to cover in that instance. Lisa was satisfied that she had answers to her list of questions.

Rick Carrier was in attendance at the meeting and T.A. Collins introduced him to all.

6:30 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to adjourn, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden,
Secretary