

## **MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING JANUARY 24, 2017**

Chairman Walter called the meeting to order in the Senior Center at 6:05 PM with Mr. Hevy and Mr. Kiley also present.

### **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **January 17, 2017**

Mr. Hevy moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve these minutes as written. So voted.

### **II. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

- **School Warrant #1033 for \$87,483.98**
- **General Warrant #1034 for \$154,156.01**
- **Sewer Warrant #1035 for \$26,981.25**
- **Payroll Warrant #15 for \$296,337.74**

Mr. Hevy moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the aforementioned warrants. So voted.

### **III. FINANCIAL ITEMS**

#### **A. FY18 Budgets**

Mrs. Walter noted that Accountant Nancy Nykiel has created a form that the Selectmen can use when reviewing town budgets. (Attachment #1) The Board is scheduled to begin that review at the next meeting.

### **IV. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Vacancies on Town Boards**

Mr. Kiley reviewed the list of vacancies on Town Boards. (Attachment #2)

### **V. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. 61A Waiver**

Mrs. Walter reviewed a request for a waiver of the Town's right of first refusal on a parcel of land located at 62 West Brookfield Road owned by Kevin and Donna Ledoux. (Attachment #3) Also attached were letters from the Planning Board and Conservation Commission noting their consent. Mr. Hevy moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to waive the town's right of first refusal on the property. So voted.

#### **B. Review STM articles**

The Selectmen reviewed the 10 articles submitted for the February 17<sup>th</sup> Special Town Meeting. (Attachment #4) The address of the Elementary School was changed to 10 New School Drive. Mrs. Walter said that she has some reservations about reducing the size of the Finance Committee, but Mr. Hevy and Mr. Kiley noted that this is something the committee requested, and it will be up to the voters to decide what happens. Mr. Hevy moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the articles. So voted.

## **VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **A. Election update**

Mr. Kiley read a memo from the Town Clerk listing the offices up for reelection and the incumbents for the May 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Town Election. (Attachment #5) The last day to file nomination papers is March 13<sup>th</sup>, and the last day to register to vote is April 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **B. Tyler Wolanin office hours**

Mrs. Walter noted that Tyler Wolanin, District Aide for Senator Gobi, will be in North Brookfield on Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 11 AM to noon at the Senior Center. (Attachment #6)

### **C. Hearts for Heat spaghetti dinner and movie night**

Mr. Kiley announced that the Hearts for Heat Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Movie Night will be held on January 28<sup>th</sup>, beginning with a movie at 3 PM and dinner from 5 PM to 7 PM. The cost is \$8, with a family cap of \$25 for 4 or more. (Attachment #8)

## **VII. PENDING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

See attached list

## **VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mrs. Walter announced that the public would have the opportunity to briefly comment through the Chairman, with a two-minute limit.

Ray Baillargeon, who lives on Conroy Avenue, complained that he has had to call the Highway Department to get his road plowed after every storm this year. The Selectmen said that they would speak with the Highway Superintendent about this.

Claudette Marshall asked that a sign noting a blind person be installed near her home on Gilbert Street. The Selectmen said that they will look into what can be done.

## **IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:10 PM Mr. Hevy moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to enter Executive Session to conduct negotiations with non-union personnel. Roll call: Walter, yes; Hevy, yes; Kiley, yes. So voted. Mrs. Walter noted that the Board would exit Executive Session only to adjourn.

At 7:50 PM the Board came out of Executive Session. Mr. Hevy moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to adjourn. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Scott Burton  
Administrative Assistant

## PROJECT STATUS AND PENDING/FUTURE SELECTMEN'S AGENDA ITEMS

### PROJECT

NBDDP/Aztec  
Solar contracts on Municipal Property  
Purchase Orders  
Creation of Financial Advisory Committee  
Personnel policies  
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98 Shore Road  
Electric aggregation  
Community Compact projects  
IT Grant  
Town House restoration project  
  
Efficiency and Regionalization grant  
Bates Observatory

### STATUS

Planning Final Remediation  
Negotiating leases  
pending  
pending  
Sub-committee to start Jan  
  
pending  
pending  
Final reports delivered  
in progress  
FOTH Capital Campaign  
launched 050917  
due Feb 1<sup>st</sup>  
pending