

MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING SEPTEMBER 18, 2018

Chairman Kiley called the meeting to order at 6 PM in the Senior Center with Mr. Petraitis and Mr. Tripp also present.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Petraitis made motion to approve minutes of September 4th, 2018. Mr. Tripp seconded.

II. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

- **School Warrant #1011 for \$351,483.00**
- **Debt Warrant #1012 for \$540,554.42**
- **General Warrant #1013 for \$96,535.06**
- **Payroll Warrant #6 for \$355,840.86**

Mr. Petraitis made motion to approve these warrants. Mr. Tripp seconded.

III. FINANCIAL ITEMS

A. Notification of Free Cash

Chairman Kiley read the notification of free cash; General fund: \$736,167.00, Sewer: \$492,596.00, and Water: \$385,074.00. Board discussed going to town meeting to allocate the funds to appropriate accounts.

B. Town Counsel rate increase

Letter was read from Kopelman and Paige notifying the Board of an increase in their rate to \$190/hr.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Jim Buzzell re: one-day liquor license

Approved at last meeting

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Aran Testa re: "Little Pantry"

Passed over

B. Joe Holway re: recent rescue

Chief Holway discussed some recent rescues that were made by the NBFD and EMS. Particular attention was made to a fire on Bradshaw street where pets were rescued. Afterward, Chief Holway handed out awards for service to officers and EMTs. Chief Holway commended the crew that went to Lawrence to help with the recent gas explosions. Chief Holway explained that a recent EMS call turned out to be a code and CPR was successfully performed and the individual is home now.

C. Chief Smith re: monthly reports

Chief Smith delivered his monthly report and Mr. Petraitis moved to accept and Mr. Tripp seconded. Chief Smith announced that Officers Richard Caron and Jeffrey Martin graduated first and third from the police training academy. ALICE training at the school

for all staff. Chief Smith credited Lt. Daley for seizing the initiative in an investigation regarding high powered weapons and ammunition.

D. Request to appoint Assistant ACO

Jesse Berard appointed to assistant animal control officer.

E. Request to appoint part-time officer

Michael Spelane appointed to part time officer.

F. Chief Smith re: Holden Hospital Funds

Chief Smith requested \$5000.00 to furnish Narcan. The board took the request under advisement.

G. Playground Committee Family Fall Fest

Date of Event: 10-27-2018 Approved by Chairman Kiley and Chief Smith.

H. Request for appointment to Town House Committee

Eva Brown was not present to be appointed to the committee. Mr. Tripp asked if she could come to the next meeting for appointment.

I. Resignation from Sewer Commission and Town Beach

John Farmer tendered resignations from the Sewer Commission and Town Beach Committee. Mr. Petraitis moved to accept and Mr. Tripp seconded.

J. Chris Dunphy re: North Common Street project and contract amendment

Chris Dunphy not present.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- **The public has the opportunity to briefly comment through the chair**

Brandon Avery thanked the selectmen for the job they do and thanked everyone for the work being done on the town house and rail trail.

The Board reviewed a complaint from Doug Powers and did not read it in the meeting. The Board took it under advisement for future action.

Nancy Nykiel will delay her retirement in order to train the new accountant and get the warrants done for the town.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Tripp read the open house for Ann Kidd's retirement letter from the Haston Public Library.

Mr. Petraitis read the state election information.

VIII. PENDING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Petraitis brought up the Complete Streets program and asked for the board to bring their thoughts on what needs to be done to the next meeting.

- **See attached list**

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

Mr. Petraitis moved and Mr. Tripp seconded adjournment at 7:28

PROJECT STATUS AND PENDING/FUTURE SELECTMEN'S AGENDA ITEMS

PROJECT

Aztec/Mass Dev grant
Solar contracts on Municipal Property
Personnel policies
Electric aggregation
Town House restoration project
Bates Observatory
Cable license renewal
Disabilities Commission

STATUS

Pending
Pending
In progress
Pending
FOTH Capital Campaign
Pending
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