

MINUTES
Selectmen Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 8, 2015

- I. The Selectmen regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman George Jellison. In attendance: David Minctons, Tom Benson, Dan Norwood, Lydia Goetze, Town Manager Don Lagrange and Town Clerk Marilyn Lowell.
- II. No visitors to be heard not on the agenda
- III. Tom Benson moved to accept minutes of November 24, 2015, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 4/0/1, with David Minctons abstaining.
- IV. Manager's Report
 - ~ Construction on Route 3 in Bar Harbor is not expected to start until the fall of 2016.
 - ~ Auditors report should be available next meeting with auditors in attendance.
 - ~ Attached is a proposed District budget for water and sewer to be reviewed by Trustees.
 - ~ Slow progress at bathrooms. Electrical pole relocated; Propane tank and heat to be installed.
- V. Old Business: None
- VI. New Business:
 - a. Trudy Bickford and Marsha Pilz requested the Board of Selectmen draft an ordinance restricting the use of fireworks. Chairman Jellison stated after workshops in the past, the Board adopted the State fireworks ordinance. David Minctons stated that there was no public participation in the previous workshops. Chief Brown provided an email with stats finding 16 'possible' fireworks complaints in 2014 and 7 'possible' fireworks complaints in 2015 to date. Consensus of the Board is to place on a future agenda after budget discussions.
 - b. Asst Fire Chief Jack Martel discussed the need for a new Fire Department Chief's Truck stating the current vehicle is too light weight and small for efficient use. A larger truck would be able to pull the equipment trailer as well as provide additional crew cab space. The Board requested proposals be submitted at a future meeting. Lydia Goetze questioned the price and was answered by Lagrange in the \$45,000 range.
 - c. The Board agreed to hold FY16-17 budget workshops on January 5, 6, 7 and 11, 2016 starting at 5:00 PM. Town Manager to make the schedule of review with non-profits and departments.
 - d. Lydia Goetze moved to affirm the re-appointment of Allen Smith as a patrolman for the remaining FY15-16 term. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.
 - e. Lydia Goetze moved to amend the policy for Community Funding to allow equivalent non-profit organizations that are non 501 c-3 to participate in local funding requests and to require all applications to be submitted by the first Friday in December. Seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor, 5/0/0.
 - f. Discussions resulted from Jim Geary's comments regarding the rotation of trustee appointments since the initial appointment included same term length. It was agreed to change the appointments to a two and three year term. Mr. Vekasi was chosen for a three year term and Mr. Geary for a two year term. Lydia Goetze moved for a recess to allow Town Clerk to redraft the appointment documents. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

George Jellison moved to reconvene at 6:55 PM, seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0. Lydia Goetze moved to appoint James Vekasi as Water & Sewer District Trustee for a term of three years to expire on December 31, 2018. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Lydia Goetze moved to appoint Jim Geary as Water & Sewer District Trustee for a term of two years to expire on December 31, 2017. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VII. There was no other business by the Selectmen.

VIII. Tom Benson moved to accept the following warrants, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0:

General Fund Warrants, FY 15-16; 78, 83

Sewer FY 15-16: 82

Water FY2015: 22, 23

Special Projects FY 15-16: 80, 81

School FY15-16: 79

IX. Next Meeting Date:

Regular Selectmen Meeting, December 22, 2015

Town Office at 6:00 PM

X. David Minctons moved to go into executive session pursuant to 1 M. R. S. A. §405 (6) (d) relative to union negotiations with Joe Piconne and Steve Kenney at 6:58 PM, seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Dan Norwood moved to adjourn executive session at 7:20 PM, seconded by Tom Benson, and voted in favor 5/0/0. There was no public discussion.

David Minctons moved to go into executive session pursuant to 1 M. R. S. A. § 405 (6) (a) relative to personnel matters at 7:21 PM, seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Dan Norwood moved to adjourn executive session at 7:35 PM, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

There being no further discussion, Tom Benson moved to adjourn Selectmen meeting at 7:35 PM, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

XI. Adjourn Meeting