

Special Selectmen Meeting

Thursday, January 26, 2016

I. Chairman Benson called the special Selectmen meeting to order at 5:00PM. In attendance were Dan Norwood, George Jellison, Lydia Goetze, Chad Terry, Manager Don Lagrange and Town Clerk Marilyn Lowell.

II. Old Business:

~ Manager Lagrange stated an error in approving the FY17-18 budget included funds in the amount of \$28,245 from the forfeiture provision of the 401 ICMA plan as a credit toward FY17-18 (401) town contributions. These funds have previously been designated for use in the FY16-17 budget and cannot be allocated to the proposed budget. The proposed budget to be amended to reflect this error.

~ George Jellison moved to amend the following department budgets, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Administration from \$304,555 to \$310,646

CEO/LPI from \$44,373 to \$45,426

Highway from \$275,687 to \$280,173

Police from \$476,255 to \$485,814

Dispatch from \$265,878 to \$271,257

Harbor from \$104,227 to \$105,901

III. New Business:

~ Manager Lagrange provided an overview of potential grants for the purchase of compressor and air packs for the Fire Department. Heath Higgins and Fire Chief Jack Martel stated the current air packs are not suitable for emergency use and are not confirm with the same equipment used by Mt Desert, Tremont and Bar Harbor. Chief Martel presented a quote of \$142,000 for a complete replacement system. Heath Higgins also suggested the need for truck replacements and the Fire Chief would provide replacement costs in the future.

~ Manager Lagrange suggested to invite Town Counsel Lee Bragg to an executive session to discuss land purchase decisions regarding the Hook property. The SWH Planning Committee recommended the Town secure the services of Eaton Peabody attorney Andy Hamilton. Lagrange felt uncomfortable with using different legal counsel since Burnstein Shur has represented the Town for the past ten years. Lagrange also stated Mr. Bragg would not charge for this visit to SWH.

IV. George Jellison moved to adjourn meeting at 6:13 PM, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.