

Selectmen's minutes of meeting January 6, 2020

Members present: Mark Newman, Brian O'Rourke, George Riley, Joanne Grybosh,
Dolores Harasyko, Admin. Asst.

Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Purchase orders reviewed and signed.

Reviewed and signed the Emergency Communication Services agreement between the Town and Berkshire County Sheriff's Office.

Selectmen's updates:

Mark reviewed the success with the new transfer station stickers. We are using new forms and stickers which Tony, the attendant at the transfer station is very happy with. Dolores reviewed the great response to the new forms and stickers. Compared to this time last year we are 70 stickers ahead. There has also been a good response from people returning their forms to let us know that they do not use the dump and list where they are disposing of their trash.

Brian reviewed the work session last week in which we discussed increasing the hours of the Town Manager.

Motion by Brian, second by Mark passed unanimously that effective January 6, 2020 the Board of Selectmen agreed to increase the Town Manager's position to full time (40 hours) and increase the salary for the remainder of the fiscal year utilizing the balance in the Town Administrators salary account #10124.04 divided equally each week for the next six months.

Town Manager updates:

Joanne presented a handout (attached to minutes) on the process of the Route 57 MassWorks project. They are in the process of doing the core drilling test. There has been a problem with the drill bit not able to go through the surface, they will contact another company referred to them by Allstates. Important dates coming up are on Jan. 14, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Town Hall Annex there will be a meeting with Sandisfield and New Marlborough and BETA to review bidding and billing processes as well as timeline.

On Jan. 23, 2020 at 12:30 p.m. there will be a presentation of the grant awards to be held at the Williamsburg Town Hall.

Joanne presented contracts for BETA and a revised MassWorks contract. She will send them to Town Counsel to review.

She continues to work on FY2021 budgets. She has a meeting with Dolores tomorrow to review the status of all budgets.

Future agenda items:

FY2021 budgets

NIMS update

Mail reviewed

Warrants reviewed and signed

Topics not reasonably anticipated:

Nina Carr would like someone to look into the parameters for declaring certain properties as a public nuisance. Some of the properties could be considered a public hazard.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Mark Newman

Brian O'Rourke

George Riley