

Selectmen's minutes of meeting February 3, 2020

Members present: Mark Newman, Brian O'Rourke, George Riley
Dolores Harasyko, Admin. Asst.
Town Manager Joanne Grybosh is attending the School Committee meeting to discuss budgets.

Called to order at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting is being recorded

Reviewed and signed minutes of meetings
Reviewed and signed purchase orders

We will table #3 until next week at which time the Tarasuk's will be in to discuss an agricultural business.

Reviewed and signed the warrant for the Presidential Primary.

Selectmen's updates:

All continue to work on budgets.

Brian is attending a meeting on Wednesday to accept the MVP Grant Award in New Bedford. In conjunction with Sheffield, New Marlborough and Sandisfield we were awarded \$166,000 of which Sheffield receives 50%, Sandisfield and New Marlborough each get 25%. This will go towards a study of the dirt roads and the impact from global warming.

Town Manager updates:

Brian read them aloud for Joanne. She has been working on the following:

Levy Limit, FY2020 was \$3,227,269, FY2021 is \$3,317,951, increase of \$90,682

School Budget Updates. She is attending the school committee meeting tonight and would like to place them on the agenda for next week.

FY2021 Budget update, she will attend the Finance Committee meeting and is meeting with Finance Committee Chair, Kathy Jacobs to review questions.

She would like a work session with the Treas/Tax Collector and another with the Cemetery Comm.

Future agenda items:

School Budget

Work sessions

Reviewed mail

Reviewed and signed warrants

Topics not reasonably anticipated:

Mark wants to find out the procedure on how the DPW can obtain the old tanker and convert it into a dump truck. We are currently selling to items from the DPW and would like to keep the money in the account from the sales in order to convert the tanker to a dump truck. New Marlborough is willing to give us the body as no cost. Once complete the dump truck would be twice the size of our current dump truck. This will eliminate half the trips for delivering stone to site. Brian will follow up with Town Manager and Town Accountant as well as a legal opinion.

Mark thanked Brian for the work they have done on the old salt shed. They framed out the doors so that we can now hang new doors and secure the building.

Barbara Cormier asked about the marijuana bylaw draft submitted by the planning board. The selectmen responded that they will resubmit at a future date with revisions.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Mark Newman

Brian O'Rourke

George Riley