

Selectmen's minutes of meeting Feb. 1, 2016

Members present: Alice Boyd, John Skrip, Bob O'Brien, Dolores Harasyko

Members absent: Jeff Gray

Called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Bob provided highway dept. updates. There has been no snow. They replaced the salt and sand, continuing with roadside mowing, working on David's truck. John discussed having the highway dept. take over the mowing that has been contracted out in the past. He feels we need 1 zero turn mower, 2 push mowers, 2 weedwackers and one trailer. John is looking for donations of this equipment. He will start by donating the trailer. Alice is going to call the union to discuss the time clock and the mowing work. John will write a letter for the Sandisfield Times seeking donations. Alice asked Bob about the bill for the loader tires. Bob responded that it is all set. Discussed moving the road superintendent office to the Old Town Hall. Bob will get in touch with the Town of Tolland for surplus office furniture.

Tax Collector Edna Leavenworth is requesting a cash audit within the next three months. The selectmen agreed to allow the audit for Edna. There is enough in the budget for this. Alice has a verbal resignation from Teresa DellaGiustina as Treasurer effective July 1, 2016.

Alice discuss with Town Council the process regarding a bylaw change to change the Elected Treasurer position to an appointed one.

Alice provided an update on the technology grant. She will be writing the grant for computer software.

Motion by John, second by Alice to regretfully accept the letter of resignation from Richard Campetti from the Conservation Commission. The selectmen thank Richard for his many years of service to the town.

Reviewed and signed warrant for the Presidential Primary.

Alice attended that MMA meeting in Boston. She is working on the Tech Grant. She had a conversation with Kathy Jacobs to see if they would approve a reserve fund transfer to fund a town administrator.

John has been meeting regarding the Master Plan. They want employees to attend an evening meeting on Feb. 17 at the Old Town Hall. There will be a full open meeting in April.

Discussed future agenda items. The Finance Comm. would like to be on the agenda for Feb.15.

John would like to hear more about the energy situation. From the highway department he would like daily job sheets, a white board at the highway dept garage showing where employees are and what they are doing. He would like a monthly report from the Police, Fire and Ambulance departments.

John is requesting mailing labels for non residents from the Assessors, Teresa will leave them a note about this.

At 3:00 p.m. Motion to enter into Executive Session for the express purpose of contract negotiations and to adjourn immediately after.

Roll call vote; Alice, yes, John, yes

Meeting adjourned 3:25 p.m.

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Alice Boyd

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John Skrip