

Board of Selectmen
REGULAR MEETING
November 14, 2017– 3:00 PM
Town Hall
MINUTES

Members present: First Selectman Betsy Petrie, Selectman Glen Coutu and Selectman John Bendoraitis

Others present: Highway Foreman Jay Tuttle, Reporter Ekaterine Tchelidze from The Chronicle, and Administrative Assistant Linda McDonald

1.0 Call to Order: B. Petrie called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2.0 Public Forum: J. Bendoraitis reported on concerns from the moderator at the recent election for handicapped egress and exit to/from the building.

3.0 Correspondence

4.0 Financials

4.1 Monthly Expenditure Report:

5.0 New Business

Discuss and act upon:

5.1 Quotes for Wood Chipper:

J. Tuttle reported on the two purchase quotes for a 2017 Morback Beever M15R wood chipper:

- National Joint Powers Association (NJPA) contract price of 69,825.05 and
- In stock standard unit priced at \$67,750.00

He explained there would be a \$2,000.00 trade-in against the old wood chipper as well.

G. Coutu MOVED to authorize the acquisition of the in-stock 2017 Morback Beever M15R wood chipper at a cost of \$67,500.00, pending release of funds at Town Meeting on November 20th. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

5.2 Eagle Scout Project to Replace Signboard outside Town Hall: B. Petrie explained that a Boy Scout has proposed replacing the signboard outside Town Hall as his Eagle Scout project. The signboard would be identical to the existing board. The plaques on the board would be replaced as well. He still needs approval from the Village District Review Board.

5.3 Rescinding Motion at September 19, 2017 Appointing Constables: B. Petrie explained that town ordinance requires that the Constables be re-appointed by the incoming Board of Selectmen at their first meeting after the November election in odd-numbered years.

B. Petrie MOVED to rescind the motion approved at September 19, 2017 re-appointing the Constables. G. Coutu SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

5.4 2019 Budget

a. Dates: BOF Meeting Schedule for budget meeting:

b. Guidance Letter: B. Petrie said a letter will go out to Town departments, Boards and Commissions regarding employee wage increases for budgeting purposes only.

c. BOS Planning: Members developed a tentative meeting schedule for Fiscal year 2018-2019 budget discussion and planning.

B. Petrie MOVED to add agenda item 5.5: Renewal of contract of Richard's Floor Finish for cleaning services for the Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House Museum for the 2017 season. G. Coutu SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

5.5 Renewal of contract of Richard's Floor Finish for cleaning services for the Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House Museum for the 2017 season:

B. PETRIE MOVED to approve the contract renewal of Richard's Floor Finish for cleaning services for the Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House Museum for the 2017 season for a total of \$600.00, at the recommendation of the Chairman of the Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House Museum Board of Trustees. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

6.0 **Old Business**

Discuss and act upon:

6.1 Approval of the Resident State Trooper Contract 2017-2019: There was no action on this agenda item as the 2017-2018 Town budget has not yet been approved.

G. Coutu MOVED to add agenda item 6.2: Approval of purchase of a 2017 dump truck with plow to replace 2015 plow truck due to accident in October 2017. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

6.2 Approval of purchase of a 2017 dump truck with plow to replace 2015 plow truck due to accident in October 2017:

G. Coutu MOVED to authorize the purchase of a 2017 dump truck with plow to replace 2015 plow truck due to accident in October 2017 up to \$190,000.00, pending release of funds at Town meeting on November 20th. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

B. Petrie MOVED to add to the agenda item 6.3: Acquisition of 2017 full size highway dump truck with plow up to \$190,000.00 to replace older truck in the fleet. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

6.3 Acquisition of 2017 full size highway dump truck with plow up to \$190,000.00 to replace older truck in the fleet: J. Tuttle said there has been no decision yet as to whether the replacement would be a Freightliner or an International. Discussion followed. There was no action on this agenda item.

7.0 **Departmental Update:** No departmental update.

8.0 **Minutes**

Discuss and act upon:

8.1 Approving the minutes of the October 12, 2017 special meeting:

G. Coutu MOVED to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2017 special meeting as presented. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

8.2 Approving the minutes of the October 17, 2017 regular meeting:

G. Coutu MOVED to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2017 regular meeting as presented. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

8.3 Approving the minutes of the October 31, 2017 special meeting:

G. Coutu MOVED to approve the minutes of the October 31, 2017 special meeting as presented. J. Bendoraitis SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

8.4 Approving the minutes of the November 9, 2017 special meeting:

G. Coutu MOVED to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2017 special meeting as presented. B. Petrie SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 2:0:1 with J. Bendoraitis abstaining.

9.0 **Resignations:** No resignations.

10.0 **Appointments**

10.1 Appointment of Haley McCall to fill a vacancy on the Recreation Commission, term to expire 2/1/2019.

B. Petrie MOVED to appoint Haley McCall to fill a vacancy on the Recreation Commission, term to expire 2/1/2019. G. Coutu SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

11.0 **Police Report:**

12.0 **Tax Refunds:** There were no tax refunds.

13.0 **Adjournment:** G. Coutu MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 3:32 p.m. B. Petrie SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

Respectfully Submitted Linda McDonald

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