

SELECTMEN BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, December 19, 2018

Pike Hall 4:30 pm

MINUTES

PRESENT:

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL WARRANTS & NOVEMBER 21 & DECEMBER 5, 2018 SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

GUESTS:

4:30pm - Agreement of timeline for cleanup and no habitation of property located at 92 Sokokis Trail was signed between Anthony Hayes, representing family of Fred Hayes, and Selectmen.

5:00pm - The Selectmen signed a letter of support for the Greatful Undead to help them obtain funding to produce and distribute a guide to help area senior citizens receive services.

6:00pm - Emily Ward, John & Anne MacIntyre of Pike Hall Committee

- Research on Pike Hall balcony knee wall was first discussed with the town's insurance agency. The insurance agency suggested the town first contact the State Fire Marshall for guidance/ safety issue. If the Fire Marshall informed them it was not in his jurisdiction the town would contact the town's CEO for code safety requirements. They are requesting approval from the Selectman to contact the Fire Marshall. The Selectmen approved and would like the committee to keep them in line of communication.
- John MacIntyre received approval to replace the upstairs with LED bulbs for better visibility during voting.
- The Selectmen have voted to use current rental funds and town's Contingency fund to repair broken windows and seal entry door. The Pike Hall Committee will ask Dan Vaillancourt to perform the work before January 31, 2019 (end of fiscal year); and also work in projector room. The survey will be performed when additional parking is addressed; should be easy because survey pins are existing.
- The Selectmen need to meet with Pike Hall Committee & Historical Society concerning info on funds raised for Pike Hall renovation funds. The town does have a separate account. The next Pike Hall Committee meeting is Wed., Jan. 16, 10am.
- The Selectmen also needs to discuss the suggested rental fee schedule with the committee; ie how firm the fees, leeway available, addendum, etc. Approval tabled until then. All requests for use must be approved by Selectmen.
- The Pike Hall Committee informed the Selectmen that they are applying for grants this summer (Belvedere, etc.)

6:30pm – Diann Perkins

- Fairgrounds Committee and Billy from Fairgrounds Pub were present at Planning Board workshop on Mon., Dec. 17. The areas of concern were not conditions of planning board approval but a town matter. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed by the Selectmen to represent an agreement: install granite marker, boundary fence will remain, remove stones, fence has to match fence line around the track, and install a walk-thru gate to provide access to fairgrounds. Diann will take it to owners of Fairground Pub to sign and return copies for town office, CEO, planning board, and Fairground Committee.

BUSINESS:

- The Scott, Cliff and the Selectmen are to compose their Memorandum of Understanding concerning Dam. A meeting is scheduled for Wed., Jan. 23, 6pm for all parties to review and arrive at a consensus agreement. Chris to confirm communication.
- The new fire truck is scheduled for May delivery. They are pre-buying aluminum, fire pump, associated connections so when chassis lands in VT everything will be there and ready to go. Funds from 2018 approved budget will pay for this portion of work. Chris said to expect invoices before Jan. 9, 2019.
- CDBG Committee meeting for Cornish Inn is scheduled for Wed., Jan. 9, 2019 at 5pm.

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- The 2019-2021 Mowing Contract advertised in the Shopping Guide and on website next Wednesday. Mowing of Eagle Mill Park and an opportunity for contract extension has been added. Scheduled return of the bids is Friday, January 4, 2019 at 3pm.
- Deposits for 71 Main St. septic installation in escrow.
- Planning Board request for legal review of subdivision on Joe Berry Road. It was approved and Dan will forward to town attorney.

ARFs:

- Cliff Whitney's request on action concerning relocation of hydrants – Because of freezing concerns, etc. it will not be addressed this winter. Chris will draft a letter to be sent to Cliff.
- Chris will contact group of citizens interested in working on expanding internet service in Cornish, specifically Old High Road area to have them meet with Selectmen on Wed., Jan. 9, 2019, 6pm workshop. The Selectmen will inform them of grants and application procedure.
- Scott Pingree's ARF concerning Apple Festival parking is pending. Patrick Harrigan, representing CAB and Board of Directors Sacopee Rescue, is aware of the public safety issue.
- The Selectmen have decided to delay public informational meeting of traffic flow around Thompson Park until after annual town meeting.
- Chris noted a citizen leaving object on side of road and possible in way of plowing. A letter has been sent to citizen to make them aware of possible damage to item. Object has not been moved.

TOWN BUILDING USE:

- Discussion of request of Pike Hall use by Ronald Parker for Guitar Clinic & Live Performance to be scheduled on Feb. 23, 2019. Town made Mr. Parker aware of liability insurance, fees (may be negotiable), parking at hardware not available during open hours, etc. Ron requests to hold for a week to find another location due to parking issues. Inform him that Selectmen will be meeting with Pike Hall Committee for more clarification of fees.
- Discussion of request to use Firestation for a family gathering by Kirsten Jordan. Town office contacted her with liability insurance, deposit, and donation to cover firestation utility expenses. Approved.

TOWN OFFICE:

- Selectmen signed one abatement approval and two abatement denial received from assessor.
- Quit Claim Deeds were signed on at December 12th workshop for R02-006 and R05-034.
- Selectmen reviewed dates of town meetings and ads to be placed in Shopping Guide and posted by Warden. Chris suggested citation from MRSA concerning snow being placed in roadways be added.
- Town Office will be closed on Tuesdays beginning December 25, 2018. Diane has advertised in Shopping Guide and website. She will place notice on door and update phone system. The notice in the Shopping Guide is incorrect and will be corrected in next one.
- Selectmen signed Notice of Shortened Nomination Process and Special Town Meeting Warrant. Voting 2-7pm and Election 7:30pm scheduled for January 17, 2019. Larry Lord will moderate.
- Bank Account Authorizations were updated to name Diane Harrington as Town Treasurer.
- Updated Transfer of IFW Agent to Diane Harrington.
- Selectmen would like to review Eagle Mill Park photos to select for Town Report cover. They plan to send out "thank you" cards to people instrumental in the development of Eagle Mill Park; Dan gave Diane a list to obtain mailing addresses.
- LRAP funds – No funds received yet.
- Recycling Committee has requested from the town office for a more definite cost for roadside pickup from Mellen. They are willing to draft warrant article for annual town meeting. Diane still trying to contact Steve Mellen concerning quote for Brown Goods Pickup for warrant article.

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- Kaye moved Town Cleaning Account to Town Hall Expenses.
- Diane received info on warrant article to remove small perpetual account balances that the town has been carrying for a long time, as per suggestion from auditor. It will be addressed at Selectmen Town Budget workshop.
- Diane will contact Vision to get concrete costs of computer software required for 2019. Curt Lebel will meet with Selectmen and discuss when they meet.
- Curt Lebel has been tentatively scheduled to meet with Selectmen on Jan. 9, 2019 to introduce new assessor he's recommending to replace him. Diane will correspond with Curt to confirm date and set time.
- Personnel policy was approved with changes made at Dec. 12 workshop meeting.
- Dan met with Jamie Levesque from Bangor Savings Bank. She will return with authorization form for proposed insured sweep account with greater return (from 1.14% to 1.4%) within a week.

Executive Session: Statutory Citation 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A)

7:00pm Conducted second interview with Monique Guptill, candidate for Deputy Town Clerk, Bookkeeper and Secretary to Selectmen. After discussion of all candidates the Town Clerk, with the consent of the Selectmen, made a motion to offer Monique Guptill the position.

Adjournment; 7:30pm.

Approved by Selectmen:

