

Selectmen/Assessor's Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2016

Board Present: Greg Grotton, Lyle Cramer, Elmer Savage, James Justice and John Shepard.

Also Present: Jay Feyler, Scott Farley, Marion Whitman, Scott Whitman, George Williams and Joseph Patricia.

1. **Call Selectmen's Meeting to Order:** by Chair at 6:00PM.
2. **Executive Session 36 MRSA 841 (2) Poverty Abatement:** Motion James Justice to table Executive Session decision. Seconded Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** given by all who wished.
4. **Public Comment:** Joseph Patricia asked John Shepard for final TCSW Budget figure. \$51,753.00.
5. **Approve minutes of April 5, 2016:** Motion Lyle Cramer to approve minutes as presented. Seconded John Shepard. One abstention. (Justice).
6. **Discussion and possible vote tax acquired properties:** Jay reported we have a Bank check upstairs for the full amount for property 016-012-001. Jay recommendation to the Board is they sell it back to the owner. Motion Lyle Cramer to suspend the sale and sell the property back to the owner. Seconded James Justice. Unanimous
7. **Discussion and Vote to change the Animal Control Ordinance:** When the Canine Control Ordinance was developed it was the intent of The ACO Ordinance Revision Committee that State Licensed Commercial facilities were controlled by the State only. Scott Farley a member of that Committee remembers asking Town Attorney if that should be stated in the Ordinance. The answer was no. It is the Town of Union's ACO who has all the powers provided under Town of Union Canine Control Ordinance and the Ordinances of the Town of Union and the laws of the State of Maine. After a lengthy discussion it was requested that Jay contact Town Attorney Roger Therriault for further verification.
8. **Vote to Close Abbott Way during construction:** Motion James Justice to close Abbott Way during construction of the Monument. Seconded John Shepard. Unanimous.
9. **Sign County Warrant:** Motion James Justice to sign County Warrant. Seconded John Shepard. Unanimous.

10. **Sign SAD 40 Warrants:** Jay reported there are two Warrants for Board signatures. Approving the latest Regional School Unit 40 Budget and authorizing the School Board to issue bonds or notes of Regional School Unit No. 40 for minor capital projects in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring furniture and performing repair and maintenance projects at all RSU Schools. Both of these Referendum questions to be voted on Tuesday June 14, 2016 at the Town Office. Lyle said he would prepare a letter regarding this over 8% increase for Board signatures for the next meeting
11. **Update on Comprehensive Plan Committee:** Elmer Savage reported the Committee discussed Natural Resources and Water Resources at their last meeting. They also discussed the recent survey results. He said they may do another survey in the fall with different questions.
12. **Sign Treasurer's Warrant dated April 19, 2016:** Motion James Justice to sign Treasurer's Warrant. Seconded Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.
13. **Other Business:** there was none.
14. **Town Manager's Report:** MMA is holding an Elected Officials Workshop here at the Town Office on May 23rd. at 4PM.
15. **Selectmen's Report:** there was none.
16. **Future Agenda Items:** discussion on Animal Control Ordinance.
17. **Adjourn:** Motion James Justice to adjourn at 8:15PM. Seconded Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.

These minutes were approved on May 3, 2016 with the following amendments.