

MINUTES
SELECTMEN’S/ASSESSORS’ MEETING
Wednesday, November 7, 2018
William Pullen Building Meeting Room
6:30 p.m.

Selectmen present: Greg Grotton, James Justice, Lyle Cramer, John Shepard and Sarah Drickey.

Others present: See list attached. *

1. Call Selectmen’s meeting to order: 6:32 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment: None.

4. Approve minutes of Tuesday, October 16, 2018:

Motion by: Jim Justice to accept minutes as written.

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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5. Discussion on next step re: Thompson Community Center Engineering Report:

TCC Engineering Report: they stated the building was built in 1923 when it should read 1932. John Shepard stated that we need to hear from the people who prepared the report. Main concerns are asbestos, mold, and the outside wall of the gym. John Gibbons stated the report should be on the Town website. Jay stated it is there. Erik Amundsen stated the structural integrity of the building is not bad; it seems to be a lack of maintenance. Sara Moore stated that the wall that is leaning she believes has been that way for 50 years. The report stated it would take \$1.5 to \$2 million to bring it up to date in the next 20 years. Ann Donaldson asked about the vision going forth. Greg said a large group was going to volunteer to work together. Greg has liability concerns. John Shepard stated that mold and asbestos are issues DHS is monitoring. Lynn Athearn asked why this report wasn’t done before we voted on the building issue.

Motion: by Jim Justice to resume discussion on the 20th regarding TCC.

Discussion: Greg feels they should come up with a plan as to what they want to do regarding the building. Jim states it should come up at next meeting.

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John Shepard feels there should be no timeframe.

Jim amended the motion to have no time frame.

2nd by: John Shepard

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Ann Donaldson stated that we are just ordinary citizens – we should have a meeting on a Saturday as a town. We need an open conversation. Carol Watier stated it needs to be a town thing. Sarah said so what you are asking is for people to pay more taxes for this. Lyle stated one thing leads to another. Jay Feyler stated there is a big concern if the Town puts in one and a half million dollars if it's not a Town Committee at TCC.

Martha Nash stated if they want to hold a meeting, would the Selectmen attend and participate. Also, would you as a Board hold off making a decision for a certain time limit. Greg stated that as far as attending he would, but he would not be running the meeting. We haven't stated we were going to make any decisions.

Motion by: Greg Grotton to hold off on a decision unless unexpected emergency or problem with insurance.

2nd by: John Shepard

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Ann Johnson stated it has to be an on us thing" to have a meeting at TCC with townspeople and TCC Board. Lori stated they will meet with their board first. They are working on asbestos then can go to mold.

6. Discussion and vote on moving sweep and checking accounts to The First:

Motion by: Lyle Cramer to move funds to The First.

2nd by: Sara Drickey

Discussion: checking and savings

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7. National Institute for Civil Discourse:

John sent out the link for this to encourage turning down the heat and communicate effectively, make an effort to be courteous, etc.

Motion by: Lyle Cramer to pledge to this

2nd by: Jim Justice

Discussion: Greg would like to link to see information before he signs on.

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8. Discussion and vote to use \$6,340.00 from Fire Reserves for new turnout gear:

There have been a few new volunteers, so we need new turnout gear for them. John Shepard questioned the longevity of their employment. Jay stated they have been with us a little bit already.

Motion by: Jim Justice

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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9. Discussion on Fiber on Common - Underserved areas of Town:

Federal grants are going to be coming to rural areas for Fiber internet. Lincolnville Telephone will write the grant, and they will get a percentage, but another company can come in. Jay is reaching out to Appleton to come on the band wagon.

Motion by: Greg Grotton to continue with fiber work.

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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10. Appointment of Bob and Dot Williams and Elizabeth Bailey Mitchell to the Aging in Place in Union Committee:

Motion by: Jim Justice to appoint Bob and Dot Williams and Elizabeth Bailey Mitchell to the AIP Committee.

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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11. Sign Treasurer's Warrant dated Tuesday, November 6, 2018:

Motion by: Jim Justice to approve Treasurers warrant.

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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12. Town Manager's Report:

Jay reported that we had 71 new registered voters. There were 1791 registered voters. 1245 voted.

13. Other Business: None.

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14. Selectmen's Report:

Sarah stated that the food sovereignty law question says the State can override anything. Tri-County has a meeting 11/15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Appleton Library.

15. Future Agenda Items: None.

16. Adjourn:

Motion by: Jim Justice

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Laura J. Curtis

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***List Attached -- Others Present:**

Ann Donaldson

Joel G. Wentworth, Sr.

Sybil Wentworth

Sara Moore

Joel Moore

Carolyn Rasmussen

P Jaine Jacobs

George Ebbinghousen

Catherine R. Jackson

Amy Cornell

Erik Amundsen

Carol Watier

Lynn Athearn

Wayne Cunningham

Steve Lord

Jake Miller

Eliabeth Lally

Bruce Bennett

Dorinda Bennett

Amanda R. Barrows

Sara Mitchell

Mindy Marshall

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Elesha Lee

Lori Carlson

Karen Poulin

John Gibbons

Tony McKim, CEO First National Bank

Sarah Tolman, First National Bank

Kevin Curry

Martha Johnston-Nash

Ann Johnson