

Selectmen/Assessor's Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2016

Board Present: Greg Grotton, Lyle Cramer, Jim Justice, John Shepard and Sarah Drickey.

Also Present: Jay Feyler and William Lutkin.

1. **Call Selectmen's Meeting to order:** by Chair at 6:30PM
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** given by all who wished.
3. **Public Comment:** there was none.
4. **Approve minutes of November 1, 2016:** Motion John Shepard to accept minutes as written. Seconded Jim Justice. Unanimous.
5. **Accept resignation of Gail Hawes from SAD #40:** Motion Jim Justice to accept Gail Hawes resignation from SAD #40. Seconded Sarah Drickey. Unanimous. Jay noted the Resignation was effective October 23. 2016.
6. **Update on Rabbit Farm Road Paving issue:** Jay stated he will send this over to the Town Attorney next week. Rabbit Farm Road did not meet compression standards in all the tests that we did, they are making all kinds of excuses. Jay gave them the opportunity to come up with a resolution, he has not heard from them.
7. **Update on Comprehensive Plan Committee:** John noted the Committee met last night and discussed Land Uses. Basically the Committee feels the Town is set up for proper use although they did discuss the idea of having more of a Commercial Zone on the east side of Route 17. The Committee will probably suggest around the Wottons Mill Rd. area. Next meeting they will have future land use and maybe then start to compile our vision incorporating the Survey results and hope to be done in January and then either send the draft to the State for their approval or simply adopt it here and then the State can approve or disapprove it and we can amend it which we have an option on how to do that. We have plenty of time for a Public Hearing before Town Meeting. There is nothing controversial we are basically updating what was a pretty good plan. We understand we have to be thinking about Senior Housing we have to acknowledged the demographic shift and we will have to be prepared to respond to it but we can't really

plan for it until we know how it's going to check out. It's going to be noted but not a specific change observing where housing could happen and the conditions under which it could happen like another multi-unit building by the Bank. We don't have a plan drawn for a 60 unit building. Lyle asks John if he would like to serve on the Board for The Union Corporation for Better Housing. We meet once a year so you can learn more about it and experience it.

8. **Sign Treasurer's Warrant dated November 15, 2016:** Motion John Shepard to sign Treasurer's Warrant. Seconded Sarah Drickey. Unanimous.

9. **Other Business:** Lyle asked when The Pullen Committee met about TCC we agreed to give them the \$10,000, there was a request made that we have an accounting of how much money they have is that separated out etc. Have we received anything from them? Jay said nothing has been received since that meeting. He expects that Jim took that back to them. Jim said yes, we have \$27,000 and that \$10,000 makes the first phase that we can pay once it is completed. We're getting pretty solvent.
John Shepard reported TCSW Board voted to build a pole shed at the station to keep one of the trailers over by the scales under cover. It's been sitting out in the open and every winter it gets packed with snow and ice it's quite a job to get rid of all of that. We have applied for a permit from Grant. Grant suggested that John ask the Selectmen to waive the fee. Motion James Justice to waive the fee to build a pole shed at the Transfer Station. Seconded Lyle Cramer. Unanimous. Lyle asks John did you ever discuss the fact that the pole shed is going to be beside the scales. John said close to the scales not beside them. Wouldn't it make sense Lyle noted to make it wide enough that it could cover the scales so they could be used all year long. That's a good idea John will find out.

10. **Town Manager's Report:** Miller and Payson Roads were finished this week. Barrett Hill was finished last week. Jay sent the Board information on the increase for Health Insurance which means we will overdraft that account for six months. There are some interesting subjects for the LPC meeting: Marijuana will be a very interesting discussion in the State and how Municipalities can handle it. The Planning Board mentioned a little about it the other night at their meeting. Jay asked Grant to put it on their agenda to talk about it see what we have for regulations now and about a possible Moratorium if the Board wanted to do that. There is some thinking that there will be some big resistance from the Governor. If he plays his games the rule making will take a lot longer than it normally does. Then with our new President who is also against it could force stop Federal regulations to make the whole thing mute even though they voted for it, it will be against the law. Jay can't figure how a State can write Rules for something that is against Federal Law. One of the other major issues on the agenda for the LPC is the Educational Funding. The LPC opposed this originally because they knew what was probably going to happen. One of two things if they got the extra funding and the government didn't cut the funding to education it's not going to save you any tax money it's just going to be spent. The feeling is he is not going to pay for Superintendents so it's millions of dollars that they are going to raise from this new tax over \$200,000 he'll just take that off the other end so the net increase is going to

be zero. The LPC has some proposals to suggest for rule making, we'll see how it works out in Committee. Greg will not be here for the dinner on December 2nd. Jay said he will email the people who have said they would volunteer to help to be here by 4pm for the 6:30 dinner.

11. **Selectmen Report:** Lyle asked because the water has been so low can people still use the boat ramp. Jay said earlier in the season they could. The water level is still low that most of the ramps are inaccessible.
12. **Future Agenda Items:** there was none.
13. **Adjourn:** Motion Jim Justice to adjourn at 7:30PM. Seconded John Shepard.
Unanimous.

These minutes were approved on December 6, 2016 with the following amendments.