



TOWN OF WORTHINGTON

SELECTBOARD

February 02, 2016 Town Hall

7:30 P.M.

Minutes

Board Members present: Chair Dick Wagner, Evan Johnson and Charley Rose

Present: Administrative Assistant Peg O'Neal, Correspondent Elodi McBride and Paul Dunlevy.

ACTION ITEMS AND DISCUSSION:

Minutes: January 26th minutes were reviewed.

Correspondence:

Special Payroll Warrant was signed.

Paul Dunlevy's appointment letter as RH Conwell custodian was signed.

Hunt Chase's appointment letter as Transfer Station Attendant was signed.

Bonus Point letter to DHCD was signed.

March 1st Presidential Primary warrant was signed.

RH Conwell Gutter Installation bid opening:

Bid was received from Phil Beaulieu & Sons of Chicopee for \$2,712. The bid arrived a few days late. Because the bid was under \$3,000, the bid can be accepted. Evan made a motion to accept the proposal of Phil Beaulieu for \$2,712 to install gutters on the RH Conwell building. Dick seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ongoing payroll issues at the school: Treasurer Allen Kidston is on the agenda in a couple of weeks.

Bonds/financing broadband, town audit: Financial Consultant Clark Rowell and CPI Tom Scanlon will be invited to attend an upcoming meeting.

Albert Farm Demo Lien: The final account costs of demolition are needed. The demo lien needs to be satisfied.

Doug Warner grandmother's cemetery plot information: Pat Kennedy will be on the agenda in the beginning of March.

Dodge Communications:

Claudia Lucas will be told that Brian Dodge was in the town hall today.

External Hard-Drive: The external hard-drive cannot be stored in the server room. The Police Department will be asked if they have a fire proof safe to store it in.

Review of the FY17 budget items:

10190.00 Town Office Maint. & Supplies: Final appropriation \$3,200.

10191.01 Town Hall/Hwy Phone Exp.: School may get reimbursed for internet costs. Cornerstone will be asked for a separate bill for RH Conwell.

10192.00 Town Hall maintenance: The spot painting of the front porch at the Town Hall will be included in the maintenance duties.

COLA: The Consumer Price Index went up .7%. Dick recommends a 1% increase. The Board agreed to a 1 ½% increase.

90402.00 Moran Property Expense: The property expenses have been reduced.

FY2016 appropriations for

10154.00,10155.00,10158.00,10157.00,30200.00,90300.00,90400.00,60110.00,10114.00,70433.00,10122.00,10122.01, 10122.06 and 10192.00 will be requested for FY2017.

10180.00 Law Account: reduced to 15,000 if everything goes well.

30000.03 Voce Ed. Expense; Invitation to bid has not been received yet.

10193.00 Town Buildings Heating Expenses may be reduced to \$23,000.

90600.00 Workmen's Comp: Need an estimate of what to payout in 2016.

60100.00 Hilltown Com. Ambulance increased by 5 1/2%

602.00.00 Hampshire County Emergency Communication System: A call will be made for information.

20495.00 Street Lights: Reduced to \$750

90150.00 Town Audit Expense: Town needs full audit. Will speak with auditor

90406.00 Conwell Building Expense: Dick will take responsibility

10122.02 Administrative Secretary Salary: Peg will research other towns salaries for her position.

10122.10 Recording Secretary: Step was discussed. Secretary will ask tax accountant which is preferable, gas mileage or a raise. This will be discussed with the Finance Committee.

40510.00 is reduced to \$19,000 due to veteran moving out of town.

405011.00 Central Hampshire Vets Serv.: Reduced to \$4,450.00

70432.00 Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative Increase to \$6,038.75.

70434.00 Disposal Attendant Wages Subject to Finance Committee See Paul.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

January 28th memo to Jane: Jane is waiting on the DOR. Jane will ask Joe Boudreau to expedite the situation.

HCOG's March 17th workshop on conducting a successful town meeting

Evan's email to Ben Downing re: Public Records Bill

Colrain Selectboard's letter to MBI

Fully executed contract for Kinnebrook Road Bridge Repair

DEP letter to plumbing inspector re: lead in school drinking water

Mass Works pre-contract information sheet

GRSD ruling update: A ruling should be forthcoming on February 17th.

MEETING NOTICES:

HCOG annual report

Adjournment: Evan moved to adjourn at 9:10. Dick seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne C. Lemieux
Recording Secretary