

ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017
ASHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA
6:30 PM

Chairman Newton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with a roll call. Fran Newton, Steve Felton, Leigh Sharps, Harold Lamos, Kathleen Maher, present

Others Present: Town Administrator Charles Smith and Administrative Assistant Pat Crowell

The Board signed the Payroll and Accounts Payable Manifests and also the items in the signature file.

MINUTES

December 19 – Maher moved to approve as amended. Sharps seconded. All in favor 4-0. Felton abstained.

December 21 – Felton moved to approve as amended. Lamos seconded. All in favor 5-0.

December 28 – Maher moved to approve as written. Sharps seconded. All in favor 5-0.

TA Smith explained to the Board that the School is asking the Town to sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) in regards to the 4th of July fireworks. The MOA is for five years. Town Counsel and Primex had no concerns. Lamos moved to approve the signing of the MOA. Sharps seconded. All in favor 5-0.

TA Smith said that our assessors, Commerford, Neider & Perkins, (CNP) received recommendations from DRA regarding their contract. CNP has made the changes to their contract which the Board needs to sign. Felton moved to approve the signing of the contract based on the DRA recommendations. Lamos seconded. All in favor 5-0.

Tim Paquette explained that one of the trucks had an accident while plowing. He said that the truck should not be driven. The insurance adjuster is coming tomorrow. Paquette said that the frame could be bent. He is down a truck and a sander. He would like to get a sander on the new pickup truck. He has checked with Riveredge Marina and they can install the sander for \$4600. After some discussion, Lamos moved to allow the public works department to have the sander installed. Felton seconded. All in favor 5-0.

Fire Chief Heath spoke about the warrant article for the fire truck. The concern was about the non-appropriation clause. Newton and Felton expressed the need for a new truck. After much discussion, Lamos motioned to recommend the article with the clause. Sharps seconded. All in favor 5-0.

The Board continued discussing the warrant articles.

Revisions to Electric and Water/Sewer Commissions. The Chairman said that she is very concerned, as is Sharps. Newton said “One Town, One Team”. Maher explained that she is not concerned. Maher said that there is no such thing as an “enterprise fund”. After much discussion, the Board

would like clarification. The language for articles needs to be done before the 17th. The Board will meet again on Monday the 9th at 4:30pm at the town office.

Tri-County Cap – Felton moved to approve. Sharps seconded. All in favor

Grafton County Senior Citizens – Lamos moved to approve. Sharps seconded. All in favor.

Pemi-Baker Community Health – Sharps moved to approve. Maher seconded. All in favor.

2016 Town Report – The department head reports are due before the 15th. The Board had decided that it should be dedicated to Normand DeWolfe. Sharps will write.

Chief Randall said that there is an issue with snowmobilers. They are running on roads that are not trails. He will speak with Fish and Game tomorrow. He also mentioned that he picked up the new cruiser.

There being no other business, **Lamos moved to go into Non-Public Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,II (a) at 8:03 PM.** Maher seconded. All in favor 5-0 **Roll Call Vote:** Lamos, yes; Felton, yes, Maher, yes, Sharps, yes, Newton, yes..

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Crowell

January 5, 2017