

Boscawen Selectmen's Regular Session
Final Meeting Minutes • November 24, 2015
Approved December 2, 2015

Present: Craig Saltmarsh, Roger Sanborn, Bernie Davis, Nicole Hoyt, Alan Hardy, Pamela Hardy, Ray Fisher Mark Varney and Candace Haithwaite

Chairman Saltmarsh opened the meeting at 4:38 PM.

Acceptance of Minutes – October 28, 2015 Public Session:

Board Action: Chairman Saltmarsh moved to accept the October 28th public minutes. Selectman Davis seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

Acceptance of Minutes – November 12, 2015 Public Session:

Board Action: Selectman Davis moved to accept the November 12th public minutes. Chairman Saltmarsh seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

Acceptance of Minutes – November 18, 2015 Public Session:

Board Action: Chairman Saltmarsh moved to accept the November 18th public minutes. Selectman Roger seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

Human Services Director Candace Haithwaite reported an increase in requests for fuel assistance.

Fire Chief Ray Fisher informed the Board that department recently had OSHA training. Ray also reported he has received the pay for the fire fighters. Ray will be putting up the annual Christmas tree. He also informed the Board that they were denied the Forestry Grant.

Accountant Pam Hardy reported that she has been working on the budget however she is waiting on payroll figures. Pam also informed the Board that effective January 1st the Library will be a separate entity from the Town as far as their payroll. It seemed that year-end was a good time to make the change.

Co-Administrator Alan Hardy updated the Board that the remaining balance from the LCHIP has been paid in the amount of \$8,237.50 for the 1913 Library. Alan has also suggested including funds in the operating budget for annual building maintenance. He also shared that Comcast has made the town aware of a price increase for their services. Comcast will increase the rate for the digital preferred package from \$180.49 to \$181.49 and many other products will be increased as well. Alan also informed the board that Liberty Utilities has moved the unused natural gas connections below ground on Commercial Street and will be doing this for any properties that currently are not using natural gas but have a connection. He also informed the Board that Cold Brook Gravel will be blasting there last shot on Wednesday and they are legally within the requirements for floating days. He also reported that California Fields has questioned the process for the imposition of impact fees for their project.

The selectmen signed an intent to cut of 125 acres on High Street.

Co-Administrator Nicole Hoyt informed the Board that they have been invited to attend a Budget meeting at Merrimack Valley High School on December 10th. Nicole also informed the Board of a couple complaints regarding turning some of the street lights back on.

Nicole and Alan have done some research on the Budget Committee and have made the following suggestions. That a short application would be required to be considered for the Committee, and implement a three year maximum term and staggered terms. The Committee currently does and should consist of 5-7 members.

Board Action: Chairman Saltmarsh moved to accept a 5-7 member committee for the Budget Committee, Selectman Roger seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

Co-Administrator Alan Hardy presented a couple options for the repair of the Sally Port at the Police Department. Alan will consult with the engineering firm on suggestions made by the Board.

There being no further business, Selectman Sanborn moved to adjourn, seconded by Chairman Saltmarsh. Meeting adjourned at 5:44PM

Respectfully Submitted by Candace Haithwaite