

Select Board Minutes: January 26, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Donald Burke. Present were Select Board members Marlene Libby, Scott Wiley and Donald Burke. Also present were Road Commissioner Curtis Starrett, John Fenner, Paul Gagnon and Jen Pendleton.

Minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting were accepted as corrected.

Road Commissioner:

A letter has been received from the Maine Department of Transportation indicating that Rte 105 from the Hope Town Line to Searsmont Road is included in the current Light Capital Paving project for 2016.

A proposal for roadside mowing was received from Rick Drew. As a rule the town does not put roadside mowing out to bid.

Select Board:

A discussion of a possible Special Town Meeting at least 90 days prior to the June Town Meeting was held. The Board was agreeable to calling a Special Town Meeting in order to vote on an article for a 5-member Select Board, as well as an ordinance governing local write-in voting and an AVS bond vote.

Assessors' Agent Rob Duplisea was in today (26th) and is available to meet with the Board to discuss the issues of assessing personal property. The Board agreed to call a special meeting on the date of Duplisea's next visit.

The back taxes and legal costs for the Alden Trull Property have been received and a municipal quitclaim deed is being prepared.

Two special Select Board Meetings have been set for February 11th & 18th from 6-7:30 PM to work on the personnel policy and job descriptions. Wiley described the differences in the duties of a Town Manager, Town Administrator and Administrative Assistant.

The final budget meeting of Tri County Solid Waste will be held Thursday evening (January 28th) at the Liberty Town Office.

The Town has received notification that our community must adopt an updated Floodplain Management Ordinance on or before July 6, 2016 or be suspended from the National Flood Insurance Program. Burke spoke with Planning Board Chairperson Charlie Buell and the Planning Board will be presenting a proposed new ordinance to be on the Annual Town Meeting warrant in June.

The 8 vacancies for the public to fill on the Town Administrator Research Committee have been posted and a list of potential members is being kept.

Action between meetings:

*All non-functioning streetlights have not been replaced by CMP yet.

*A list of 20 properties scheduled for foreclosure on February 8, 2016 was made available.

*The availability of the Town's bond rating/credit score was discussed as the possibility of local banks financing a school renovation bond.

A motion was made by Burke and seconded by Wiley to go into executive session to discuss General Assistance. Vote 3-0. A motion was made to go out of executive session by Burke and seconded by Wiley to go out of executive session. Vote 3-0.

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 PM.

D. Burke