

Appleton Select Board
March 28, 2017

1. Convene, 7 p.m. (Fenner, Gushee, Beckett, Wiley, Costigan)
2. Sign warrants (#86, \$60,548.33, #87, \$2,668.32, #88, \$40,778.79)
3. Reminder: Meetings are recorded.
4. Motion to approve minutes of March 21, 2017, Fenner. Second, Costigan. Unanimous.
5. Town office computer upgrade, via Techsource, Belfast. Motion to approve purchase order not to exceed \$1,150, Beckett. Second, Fenner. This laptop will also be available for road survey and condition mapping. Unanimous. (Fenner to order road evaluation software to begin mapping when laptop arrives.)
6. Fire Department proposed 2017-2018 budget of \$73,790, less \$1,000 from 2015-2016. Motion to accept, Beckett. Second Gushee. Unanimous.
7. Road Commissioner proposed 2017-2018 budget of \$414,400, no increase. Motion to accept, Beckett. Second, Costigan. Unanimous.
8. Cemetery account discussion: Bills from 2016 mowing were pushed from June to July, so a special article will be needed during town meeting to cover potential shortfall. Will consider increase for mowing plus repairs to stones and perform site work. (Mowing costs ran approximately \$2258/month -- aggregated to 6 months -- in 2016.)
9. Road Commissioner Report: Researched ownership of stop signs intersecting Route 105. According to DOT, Appleton is responsible for maintaining and replacing stop and yield signs. The town does own the signs.
10. Other: Tax-acquired property discussion and review of materials from MMA detailing traditional routes of sale. Costigan discussed conversation with MMA indicating sale of real estate can be via realtor with funds going to municipality to be dispersed per town meeting.
11. Public Comment: E-mail from Phelps Brown regarding Earth Day activities on April 22 to collect garbage along Appleton Ridge and a separate cleanup of Pine Grove Cemetery on May 6. Motion to accept, Beckett. Second, Fenner. Unanimous.
12. Motion to adjourn, 7:40 p.m. Beckett. Second, Gushee. Unanimous.