

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 29, 2015
6:30pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center**

Present: Rick Ives, Bob Kelleher and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary

Late Arrival: Joe Voccio @6:45pm

Also Present: Fran from the Bulletin

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Ives called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.
2. **Approve Previous Minutes:** Rick Ives made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Bob Kelleher seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Appointments**
 - **Conservation:** Mr. Ives reappointed Charlotte Merrill as a regular member with a term expiring 02/12/2018. Mr. Ives states this is a First Selectman appointment and no action is necessary. Charlotte was appointed a month or two ago to fill a vacancy with a short term left to serve.
 - **EDC:** Mr. Ives reappointed Andrew Pinto as a regular member with a term expiring 02/12/2019 and Ronald Ventura as an alternate member with a term expiring 02/26/2019. Again, these are both First Selectman appointments and no action is necessary.
5. **Approve Resolution for SLFAC Accounting Grant Application:** This is a grant in the amount of \$60,000 for an accounting system. This resolution will allow us to apply for the grant, but we do not have to accept it if it is awarded. This would be joint with Pomfret and they have already approved their portion. Mr. Kelleher notes the legislative body is the town's people; this should be changed to the Board of Selectmen. Bob Kelleher made a motion that the Board of Selectmen endorses the Town's participation in the Uniform Chart of Accounts Resolution of Endorsement and Authorization and authorizing Rick Ives, First Selectman, to act on the endorsement. Rick Ives seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.
6. **Discussion on Election Day Statute:** The Town Attorney's opinion was we would have to change to a charter town but he is still looking into it. Mr. Kelleher stated the legislative adopted it, it should be able to be changed. Mr. Ives will follow up with the attorney.
7. **Discussion on Budget:** Mr. Ives is awaiting budgets from outside sources, he will check into this next week.
8. **Discussion on Peddlers Ordinance:** Mr. Ives tables this until next meeting when Mr. Voccio is present. Mr. Kelleher notes we should look into the section regarding schools because there are bakes sales and other similar events that take place there.

9. Other Business

- The grand list is continuing to grow; it is up slightly by .83%.

Mr. Voccio arrives at 6:45pm.

- The highway department is using a private weather service, Precision Forecasting. They have predictions every four hours and you speak to a meteorologist. It is a cost of \$900 a year and is coming out of the highway department budget. Two trucks broke down in the last storm but were fixed quickly and we were able to catch up with plowing. Sidewalks were an issue but a lot were done today and should be finished tomorrow. There may be federal funds to help with extra costs caused from the blizzard. The Town is in need of curbing and guard rails. Mr. Ives will work with Tom Rukstela for a resolution.
- Mr. Voccio states the Board of Education meeting was rescheduled for next week; he has nothing to report at this time.
- Mr. Voccio inquires on water treatment facilities grant money. Mr. Ives will look into this.

10. Approve Bills: Bob Kelleher made a motion to approve the bills as presented. Rick Ives seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

11. Executive Session: Joe Voccio made a motion to go into executive session at 7:01pm to discuss union negotiations. Bob Kelleher seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Executive session ended at 8:03pm with no further discussion.

12. Adjourn: Joe Voccio made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Kelleher seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradley
Recording Secretary