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WEARE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
March 27, 2017

PRESENT: TOM CLOW, CHAIRMAN; FREDERICK W. HIPPLER, VICE CHAIRMAN; JON OSBORNE, SELECTMAN; AND JAN SNYDER, SELECTMAN.

NOT PRESENT: JOHN (JACK) MEANEY

RECORDING SECRETARY: Naomi L. Bolton

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Naomi L. Bolton

GUESTS: Frank Campana; Richard Butt; Lori Davis; Police Chief Sean Kelly

Chairman Clow welcomed everyone present and watching before calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Butt stated that last week the board discussed budget options for the new proposed operating budget. The Board selected option 3 and Mr. Butt was confused as to what was approved. Chairman Clow replied that within 20 days of the Town vote the State needs to have the proposed budget forms completed. Option 3 delayed/postponed hiring/replacing some positions. Mr. Butt asked what line items will be reduced in the operating budgets. Chairman Clow replied that there will be postponements not reductions for filling vacancies. The reductions will not be seen in 1-2 lines. It will be throughout the budget in the wage and benefit lines. Mr. Butt added, so there was no pain and no cuts. With the police contract passing and the non-union personnel raises passing, there will also be some additions to the wage and benefit lines too. Next week the Board will have the new printout. Mr. Butt then asked what level of pain will the Town see. Chairman Clow responded that the risk of nights being covered later than hoped is one issue. Mr. Butt commended the Police, Fire and DPW to work through this. He stated that the police have done an excellent job. Crime is down. The town moved from 13th up to 5th as far as the safest towns/cities in New Hampshire. Incidents have gone down. This has been done without the two full time officers that are still vacant; any part time officers and without a part time secretary. He feels we should continue on with what we have.

Frank Campana stated that he going to follow the same line as the previous speaker. He doesn't know who to believe. He doesn't like the idea of being able to manipulate the budget as is being done here. He stated that the affect will be in 2018 when the tax rate is set; there will be no hiding the costs then. The doom and gloom is gone. Mr. Campana stated he doesn't know what to believe. In the future he stated he is going to be more cynical. During the budget process it was mentioned by the Police Chief that his employees have to buy their own toilet paper. He was taken back by that comment. Last year the police department ended up with a surplus, why wasn't the Chief up here asking to buy toilet paper? Chairman Clow replied that the board had a reduction of approximately \$108,000 per the Town vote and it's the Board's job to distribute the reduction with the least impact without making people suffer.

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DEPARTMENT HEAD/COMMITTEE ITEMS

Cable Committee CRF Expenditure Request for TV/Mount to be installed at the Library: Richard Butt was present on behalf of the Cable Committee. First he stated that he meant to congratulate the two new selectmen earlier. Mr. Butt stated that he is here for permission to purchase a new TV and wall mount for the library. It would be just like the clerk's office. The idea is to improve communication. It requires a simple installation. He is looking for a not to exceed \$300 for the entire purchase. Selectman Snyder stated that it is an excellent idea and it is good exposure. She has been to the library on several occasions and there are lots of people that congregate there. **Vice Chairman Hippler moved, Selectman Snyder seconded to approve up to \$300 be spent from the Community Access TV Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and installation of a TV and wall mount at the Library. Passed 4-0-0**

Intercept Agreement: Town Administrator Bolton explained that Chief Bob Vezina couldn't be here tonight, but provided the following information regarding the intercept agreement with the Town of New Boston. This is an Advanced Life Support Intercept Agreement between the Weare Fire Department and the New Boston Fire Department. As recommended by our EMS billing company, this agreement defines the roles and responsibilities of the intercept receiver and provider and is a necessary document in the medical billing process. Under this agreement the Weare Fire Department is both a receiver and provider. This agreement is identical to the agreements with Goffstown and Bedford and requires a signature by the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen or authorizing agent. **Vice Chairman Hippler moved, Selectman Snyder seconded to authorize the Chairman to sign the Advanced Life Support Intercept Agreement between Weare Fire Department and New Boston Fire Department. Passed 4-0-0**

Status of ACO Vehicle: Vice Chairman Hippler asked Police Chief Kelly the status of the ACO Vehicle. Chief Kelly stated that he has been working with Marc Phillips. The bumper was structurally sound, not highly visible damage, so by re-using parts it will save about \$1,700.00. Chief Kelly will check on status tomorrow. Chairman Clow informed Chief Kelly that when the new cars come in to notify the Board it happened and identify what three cars are leaving. Chief Kelly stated that it will be cars 1, 3 & 5, which are the Expedition and two Crown Victoria's. Ford won't certify the Expedition because of the rot to the under carriage. All three vehicles will be headed to the State auction as there is no trade value. The Board would like to be reminded when this event actually occurs.

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March 13, 2017 Minutes: **Chairman Clow moved, Vice Chairman Hippler seconded to approve the March 13, 2017 minutes as amended. Passed 4-0-0**

March 20, 2017 Minutes: **Chairman Clow moved, Selectman Osborne seconded to approve the March 20, 2017 minutes as amended. Passed 4-0-0**

MANIFESTS

Chairman Clow moved, Vice Chairman Hippler seconded to order the Treasurer to sign accounts payable and payroll checks dated March 30, 2017 as included in the following manifests:

Payrolls Manifest	\$ 44,337.86	(Weekly payroll w/e 03/23/17)
Accounts Payable Manifest	\$ 28,378.69	
John Stark Regional School Manifest	\$129,715.00	
TOTAL	\$202,431.55	Passed 4-0-0

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Lori Davis stated that as Chairman of the Noise Ordinance Committee they will be having a final meeting either next Wednesday or Thursday. She will get together with Merry Rice, Administrative Secretary to schedule and post accordingly. Ms. Davis commended the three department heads for working together on proposing the new proposed operating budget. They did an amazing job. She further stated that our police department works hard to provide us the necessary service to get us through. She is not in favor of reducing staff or even cutting staff. Our town produced a very good, fiscally responsible budget. It is not frivolous. There is no padding. The unexpected cuts made at deliberative session are chances we are taking. She is asking to leave the Town alone.

Chairman Clow stated that he would like to thank the voters for the 10 wheeler and all the other articles. The DPW has had a lot of expensive breakdowns over the past few weeks and the welcome of a new 10-wheeler will certainly help.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OTHER BUSINESS

Janitor Sink at Town Hall: Chairman Clow stated that he took a plumbing contractor over to look at the janitors sink at the Town Hall in the custodian's closet. The project will include a new sink, faucet, shutoffs and drain pipe for a total cost of \$475.00. **Chairman Clow moved, Vice Chairman Hippler seconded to approve the expenditure of \$475.00 for the installation of a new sink, faucet, shutoffs and drain pipe in the janitor's closet at the Town Hall with the funds coming from the Government Building & Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. Passed 4-0-0**

Kleinfelder Engineering Bill: Town Administrator Bolton stated that the Town received a final bill for the engineering work done on the River Road bridge repairs. All of the other engineering expenses were taken from the Bridge Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. **Vice Chairman Hippler moved, Selectman Snyder seconded to approve the Kleinfelder Engineering bill in the amount of \$632.57 for the engineering expenses for the River Road Bridge repairs with the funds coming from the Bridge Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. Passed 4-0-0**

Moment of Silence Discussion: Chairman Clow stated that with the new board he was wondering if the Board would like to continue with this as an agenda item or go directly from the pledge of allegiance into public comment. Both Selectman Osborne and Vice Chairman Hippler agreed that it still could be done in the event something local, state wide or nationally but on a case to case basis. The consensus of the board was to remove it from the agenda.

Being there was no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Clow moved, Vice Chairman Hippler seconded to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Passed 4-0-0

ADJOURNMENT

A True Record.

Naomi L. Bolton

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Recording Secretary