

TOWN OF DANBURY - Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 14, 2015

Members Present: Lyn England, Chair; Jim Phelps, Jessica Hatch

Others Present: Administrative Assistant, Sylvia Hill

Appointments: 6:30 - 7PM Manie Pellegrino-broadband
Alan Huntoon--Backhoe Quote

Checks/Applications/Signatures:

- Manifests were reviewed and signed.
- **Minutes** of January 7, 2015, MM by James Phelps to approve, second by Jessica Hatch. Motion carried.
- Commerford Nieder Perkins, LLC 2015 **Assessing Contract** - MM by James Phelps to approve at the same rates as last year as presented, Second by Jessica Hatch. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Question on year-end - will we hire Paul Brown this year or possibly have MRI help instead? Selectmen decided to continue with Paul Brown if he is available.
- Selectmen discussed restrictions and modifications on the bank accounts. The signature cards were not completed this week.
- **MRI** (Municipal Resources, Inc.) is schedule to return next week to further discuss their report.
- **PSNH Lighting Projects** - waiting for response to questions.
- Envelope received from PD--Lyn had deposited what she was working on.
- Selectman Phelps verified the specific wording regarding carrying over funds for the Fire Department which had not been used. It does qualify as previously voted because it was a special appropriation.
- Still no response yet form Alan Hanscom RE: US Route 4 & Walker Brook Rd.

New Business:

- Email from Gary Donoghue of Planning Board with Mike Donovan's review of RMR's proposal on the village district was briefly discussed. Lyn also reported on the prior evening's Planning Board meeting, and let the board know that Charlotte is planning to resign after the March election.
- MM by Lyn England, second by Jessica Hatch to write a letter to Treasurer, Twila Cook, as a result of the Planning Board Meeting to remove the funds from the gravel pit cash bond for Jim Phelps as that has been replaced by a surety bond of \$37,500 for all his pits. Motion carried with one abstention.
- Notice of Public Hearing on Tuesday, 1/27 @ 7PM here RE: Ragged Mt 26 detached Hotel cabin units "Forest Knolls West" was received.
- Road Agent Huntoon was in to discuss the backhoe requirements in preparation of the hearing.
- Town Report Dedication was discussed, but nothing decided.
- **Annual Indemnification of Trustees of the Trust Funds** from personal liability. MM by James Phelps, Second by Jessica Hatch to approved, motion carried.
- We have received two **petitioned Warrant Articles to do with the broadband** and voter signatures have been verified. Also an email from Mario Ratzki on this subject was replied to.
- The Default Budget and Estimated Revenues were prepared and reviewed in preparation of the Bond and Budget Hearing on Thursday night, 1/15. The Default Budget must be disclosed at the first Budget Hearing per RSA 40:13. Warrant Articles were also reviewed and are to be pre-reviewed by DRA. Selectmen are attempting to keep the capital and equipment items somewhat level each year to allow for necessary work and equipment funds and avoid large fluctuations in the tax rate.
- Police Chief Suckling was in to touch base with the board regarding the warrant article for the cruiser. He will verify the trade-in value on the 2006 Dodge Charger. He also indicated he plans to have more part-time help coming on board soon. The Chief is working part-time here and also working full-time in Alexandria.

Other Correspondence, Committees--FYI

- Health Trust Certification will be received soon.
- Thank you from Mid-State Health Center was received for town's appropriation.
- Legislative Bulletin
- Report from Councilor Kenney
- Informational email from State Fire Marshal's Office on Fireworks
- Various miscellaneous correspondence

Any Other Business/Available Workshops:

- **NEW:** WED 1/21 @ 6:30PM at **NRHS Supplemental Public Hearing** "To see if the Newfound Area School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 to implement full time Kindergarten in all 4 elementary schools in said district, as a minimum, commencing in September of 2015".
- **THU 1/15 PUBLIC Bond Hearing for Fire Truck & Public Budget Hearing @ 7PM**
TUE 1/20/15 7PM Snow Date
- WED 1/21 - FRI 1/30 Filing Period
- **SAT 1/31 @ 10AM SCHOOL First Deliberative Session**
MON 2/2 @ 6:30PM Snow Date
- **TUE 2/3 @ 7PM TOWN First Deliberative Session**
- TUE 3/10 11AM-7PM Town & School Voting Day
- 1/22 Selectman England will be attending an informational session with HealthTrust regarding Healthcare Reform

MM by James Phelps to adjourn at 8:40PM, second by Jessica Hatch. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Hill, Administrative Assistant