



SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

Jan 18, 2016

ATTENDANCE: Selectman Brian Robischeau, Selectman Rich Zacher, Selectman Bill Nelson, Laurie Champy, Marilou Maclean, Rose Zacher, Tom Hill, Ed Comeau

This is a Special Budget Meeting

- **Approval of Minutes:**

MOTION: Selectman Zacher made a motion to accept meeting minutes from 01/12/2016 as presented, Selectman Nelson seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

MOTION: Selectman Zacher made a motion for Town Election polls to be open from 1-6pm with the Town meeting beginning at 7pm, Selectman Nelson seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

Selectman Zacher stated he would inform Virginia tomorrow of the hours.

Selectman Robischeau read aloud a Citizen's Petition that had been presented in support of a salary increase in the amount of \$7,000 for the treasurer, Marilou Maclean. The Selectmen agreed that the warrant they had already drafted in support of this salary increase would be replaced with the Citizen's Petition, support from the Selectmen would be noted on the warrant.

Selectman Zacher will ask Virginia to certify the signatures on the above mentioned Citizen's Petition.

MOTION: Selectman Nelson made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, (II)a, for the purpose of discussing compensation, Selectman Zacher seconded.

Roll call: Selectman Nelson, yes, Selectman Zacher, yes, Selectman Robischeau, yes

MOTION: Selectman Nelson made a motion to come out of non-public session and without minutes being sealed, Selectman Zacher seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

Selectman Nelson stated that they had been discussing salaries of public employees.

MOTION: Selectman Nelson made a motion to increase the salaries for the deputies, Rose Zacher and Jen McKown, to \$14/hr., Selectman Zacher abstained, Selectman Robischeau seconded, motion carries.

As a result of Rose Zacher stating that she does not want a salary increase, there was a new motion made as follows:

MOTION: Selectman Robischeau made a motion stating that the prior motion was rescinded, the new motion stating, with Selectman Zacher abstaining, two of the Selectmen have offered both deputies a pay rate of \$14/hr, Rose Zacher has rejected the pay increase, it will continue to be offered to Jennifer McKown as deputy Clerk, Selectman Nelson seconded, motion carries.

During the budget review process, the following action items were stated:

Selectman Robischeau will contact Jeff Reardon (Davis and Towle Ins. Group) to ask if by law the Town is required to carry unemployment insurance.

When reviewing the requested amount of \$13,500 from Gafney Library, the Selectmen spoke of meeting with library board members Tom Lavender and Jen McKown, to discuss the amount of this request.

Selectman Robischeau will contact town attorney, Laura Spector Morgan, to ask if a warrant needs to be presented annually seeking approval for payment of interest on a line of credit. He will also ask if the existing Town Road Maintenance Equipment warrant could be redefined for use as a bridge fund.

The Selectmen extended their appreciation to Mr. Tom Hill for his work in making a frame and for framing the recently received poster of NH's original ballet boxes. This will be on display for the Town meeting in March.

Selectman Zacher stated that a resident offered to send out a mailing containing information on Hunter Land. No action taken.

There was discussion about trying to increase the number of residents that are currently signed up to receive email alerts and information from the town. It was mentioned that the town meeting would be a good opportunity to encourage people to sign up. It was also suggested that a handout be prepared to help guide people through the process.

The next regular Board of Selectmen meeting will be held on Jan 26, 2016 at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned 9pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie M. Champy
Administrative Assistant