



Town of Winchester
1 Richmond Road Winchester, NH 03470

**Minutes of the
Selectmen Meeting**
Wednesday
March 21, 2018

Board members present: Ben Kilanski, Jack Marsh, Roberta Fraser, Herbert Stephens and Gloria Leustek
Also present Margaret Sharra, Chief Kellom, Amy Bond, Dale Gray and Rick Meleski.

First order of business: Work session

The Chairman opens the work session at 6:30 pm. Selectman Kilanski would like it on record that he asked Selectman Fraser to her to recuse herself from the work session. Selectman Fraser stated no. Selectman Marsh had asked Amy to put some numbers together to compare apples to apples with the proposals. The spread sheet is an average of a 3 year period. Selectman Marsh states that with the town growing there will be an increase in calls. It's very hard to project each year what the total number of calls will be. Selectman Marsh asked if the 80% of revenues go into the ambulance account is gross or net. Amy stated that it is gross. Selectman Fraser added that anything purchased from this account is approved by the board of selectman. Barry asked what the balance of that account. Amy stated there was \$141,543. Barry would like the board to have a warrant article next year to change the wording for the 80% revenue account to state that the funds can be used for payroll. This would also decrease the town's budget by \$32,500. Selectman Kilanski like the idea of changing the wording with a warrant article next year. The board thanked Amy for the numbers. Barry stated that Zach will put together some numbers for 12hr shifts 24/7 coverage. Selectman Kilanski would like to have more numbers and give which means more options to look at. The board thanked everyone.

The Chairman opens Regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

Selectman Marsh made a motion to appoint Ben as Chairman and Chan as Vice Chairman. Selectman Leustek second the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Selectman Marsh made a motion to appoint Chan as the Selectman's Rep to the Planning Board and Ben as the Alternate. Selectman Leustek second the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Selectman Marsh made a motion to appoint Gloria as RED Selectman's Rep. Selectman Kilanski second the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to appoint Jack as Selectman's Rep to the Budget Committee. Selectman Stephens second the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to appoint Roberta as Selectman's Rep to the Beach Committee. Selectman Stephens second the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Second order of business: Public Hearing

Selectman Fraser makes a motion to open the public hearing. Selectman Stephens second the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Selectman Kilanski reads the Public Hearing Notice for the application on the

Community Tax Relief submitted by Dani Soni for the property located at 96 Main St. RSA 79-E section 79-E: 4 the board determine whether the structure is a qualifying structure, whether any proposed rehabilitation qualifies and whether there is a public benefit to grant the tax relief, if so for what duration. The assessment of the property would not increase during the 5 years. Margaret reads why it is a qualifying structure because: it is located in the residential district, older property built in 1900 in the downtown area, the structure was rehabilitated and is not being replaced, the cost of renovation is estimated at \$25,000 which exceeds the 15% of pre-rehab assessed valuation, building permits were obtained, and the renovations promote reuse and preservation of an older building and taking an unlivable home and making it livable. Margaret does have a concern with receiving the application after the work had been done. The RSA is unclear on the timeframe of an application. Dani stated that the reason the application was submitted after the work was done was because he was waiting for Avitar to lower the assessment. Also Dani stated he wanted to start fixing the house before winter. The board advised to ask the LGC-legal services for a clear answer. Selectman Fraser makes a motion to continue the 79-E public hearing until next week. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Third order of business: Minutes & New Business

The board reviews the minutes of 3-14-18 for approval. Selectmen Fraser makes a motion to approve the minutes. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0-1

Tax abatement for 484 Forest Lake Road was approved last week. The owner would like the board to consider changing the water frontage for 60ft to 56ft due to the town's water drainage that runs along the side of his property. The board asks Dale to measure to make sure we are giving the owner the correct water frontage.

Selectman Fraser made a motion to sign the MS-232. Selectman Stephens second the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Selectman Fraser made a motion to approve Gus Ruth as a full member to the Conservation Commission. Selectman Stephens second the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Selectman Marsh made a motion to approve Michael Doherty & Lou Fox as full members to ZBA. Selectman Fraser seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0

Selectman Stephens made a motion to approve the Southwest Region Planning Commission agreement of services on the grant from CDGB for the Jones Road project. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Avitar recommended approved the abatement for Map 5/63-2 in the amount of \$839.00. Selectman Fraser makes a motion to approve the recommendation from Avitar. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Fraser made a motion to approve the letter to the DOT & Conservation. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Intent to excavate was received for map 15 lot 51- Mitchell Sand & Gravel

Captain Zach Ford had sent a memo asking the board to consider putting a committee together to research, discuss and decide the best solution for the Ambulance. The selectmen feel that they are moving forward with the board as the committee, along with the help of Chief Kellom, Amy and Captain Ford. Zach let the board know he is still in favor of a committee of members of the budget committee, select board, Fire Chief and ambulance attendants. He would like to see it move forward and not forgotten. The board assured him that it will keep moving forward.

The board reviews and approves the following financial documents:

N/A

Fourth order of business Board comment:

Selectman Kilanski welcomed Gloria Leustek as the newly elected Selectman.

Selectman Kilanski also asked Paul Morehouse Sr. to stay on to help with the both of the roof bids process.

Fifth order of business Public comment:

Denis Murphy thanked everyone for helping him on Election Day and that he is feeling much better. Denis stated that he would like the board to consider putting a warrant article on the ballot next year in regards to be able to postpone the election due to bad weather. Selectman Marsh stated there is a bill in the house as we speak. Selectman Kilanski stated that he would talk to Senator Jay Kahn to see where the bill stands.

Rick Meleski asked the board to allow the chair sign documents for the USDA application for the new water tank. Selectman Fraser makes a motion allow Ben sign the paperwork for USDA. Selectman Stephens second the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Rick reached out to DOT letting them know of our project next year and asked them to hold off on paving. It would be a waste of tax payer's money to pave this area twice. The board asked Karey to write a letter to NHDOT & the Senator asking them to hold off on the paving project on Rt 119/Richmond Rd.

Dani Soni has an issue with his property at 51 Keene Rd. entering into his driveway there is a large drop off, which is causing the mufflers and the bottom of the cars to drag on the sidewalk. He would like to have it fixed and the State said it was not their issue. Karey had told Danni that it is a State road and not a town road and the State would have to fix it. Dale agrees that the state has a drainage swale there and they are responsible for fixing it. The board asked Karey to write a letter to Danni stating that this road is a State road and they should be the ones to fix the issue.

Paul Landry let the board know that Winchester Woodchucks are no longer working with the Lions Club and it is not one of their projects anymore.

The board had concerns with the timber cut that Conservation had done at Musterfield Park. Selectman Marsh remembers talking to Gus about cutting the dead and diseased trees, but also removing the trees along the road to Stone MT Business Park. That was never done. Selectman Kilanski stated that CC had voted to have 2.5 acres cut and all the underbrush, dead and diseased trees to be taken down. After looking at the job there are still dead trees standing and not all of the 2.5 was cut. Selectman Marsh said he would meet Gus to walk the property and flag what needs to be taken out.

Sixth order of business: Nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3II (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to enter nonpublic session under (c), Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. A roll call vote was taken and members vote "yes" individually and the board convenes in non-public at 8:07 pm.

Seventh order of business: Adjournment

The board reconvenes in public session at 8:30 pm.

Selectman Fraser made a motion to Seal the 2nd part of "c" minutes. Selectman Stephens second the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh would like to ask the employee's not to park in the front row, other than Mrs. Tatro.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to adjourn at 8:35^{pm} Selectman Fraser seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

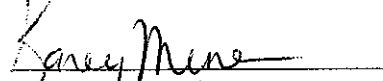
Minutes respectfully submitted:

Karey Miner, Administrator

Minutes signed by:



Ben Kilanski, Chairman



Karey Miner, Administrator