



Town of Winchester
1 Richmond Road Winchester, NH 03470
**Minutes of the
Selectmen Meeting**
Wednesday
January 15, 2020

Board members present: Ben Kilanski, Jack Marsh, Herbert Stephens and Gloria Leustek.
Also, present Captain Ford.

First order of business: Minutes

The Chairman opens the regular meeting at 7:05 pm.

The board reviews the minutes for 1/8/20. Selectman Stephens makes a motion to approve the minutes. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. Motion carries 4-0

Second order of business: New Business

Board reviewed the petition warrant articles.

#20-ACCESS \$40,000 Selectman Marsh made a motion to Not to Recommend. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-1.

#21-ELMMCC \$55,000 Selectman Marsh made a motion to Recommend. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

#22-Winchester Historical \$5,000 Selectman Stephens made a motion to Recommend. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

#23 Boat Ramp \$1,200 Selectman Marsh made a motion to Recommend. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Selectman Leustek makes a motion to revisit article #11-Loader. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0. Selectman Leustek makes a motion to recommend the article as written. Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-1.

State of NH DRA determined the equalization assessment for 2019 is 94.6%.

NH State Rep Tom Schamberg-House Ways & Means Committee sent a letter to the BOS and School with information on CACR-17-property tax reduction bill. There was hearing on Jan 15th at 10am.

Selectman Marsh made a motion to approve the raffle permit for Knights of Columbus 1/20 raffle. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

The Town of Winchester was awarded a DES-Exotic Species-Milfoil Grant in them amount of \$900.00. Public hearing will be help 2/5/2020 @7pm.

SWRPC has a new economic development planning assistance program they are offering towns in Cheshire County. They will provide assistances depending on the needs and goals of the communities. Could be help with a Master Plan, streamline business permitting, enhancing marketing, land use regulations or funding mechanisms. The board agreed this could very helpful to the town.

The board reviews and approves the following financial documents:

Selectman Stephens made a motion to approve the water capital reserve request to Tata & Howard in the amount of \$11,293.23. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Selectman Marsh made a motion to approve the CAG's rate by 3.8%. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0

Third order of business Board comment:

Selectman Marsh would like to call 603 Roofing to find out when they will starting the Conant Library roof.

Selectman Marsh would like to make a motion that no cell phones at the table during a BOS meeting, but will wait for a full board.

Selectman Leustek asked if the ladder was being fixed. Selectman Kilanski said he talked to Jeremy and he was waiting to hear from the insurance company. Mike asked what the deductible for a ladder would be? Would the clock be up and running before the people vote on the warrant article asking for additional funds? Selectman Kilanski that is what he is hoping for. Mike said as a taxpayer I can go along with spending taxpayer's money if it is a benefit to the town. We plan on making repairs to the steeple, but the clock isn't working. Selectmen Leustek stated that it is working we dint have access to right now. All the parts are there, and it is working. It just needs to be wound.

Fourth order of business Public comment:

Mike Coope asked if the town heard from Comcast on when the new line would installed on Curtis Rd. Selectman Stephens sated that they are there now working on it.

Selectman Marsh would like to have a work session with the Trustees of the Trust Funds to go over the accounts. Mike stated that they would happy to meet. On Jan 21st @1pm they are

meeting with Charter Trust to review the accounts and invites the board to come and hear the presentation and ask questions. Mike also stated that he would like to see the board review the CIP, which could help make some decisions on the capital reserve accounts being placed in more aggressive funds.

Ken Cole stated that tonight he could hear better than most other nights. Selectman Kilanski said the PA System is not great but if we speak into the mic it does make a difference.

Captain Ford said that there is internet upstairs in the office. All they would need is a router installed and upgrade to business speed internet. Mike offered the equipment needed to get the Ambulance up and running with internet.

Selectman Marsh asked to have Chief Kellom and Captain Ford to discuss the possibility of remodeling the upstairs of the Fire Dept to accommodate Ambulance.

Fifth 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 & e). Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0. A roll call vote was taken, and members vote "yes" individually, and the board convenes in non-public at 7:57pm.

Sixth order of business: Adjournment

The board reconvenes in public session at 8:27 pm.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to seal the minutes under e. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Selectman Leustek makes a motion to adjourn at 8:35pm. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Karey Miner, Administrator

Minutes signed by:



Ben Kilanski, Chairman



Karey Miner, Administrator