



Selectmen's Meeting Summary January 22, 2014

Selectman Ken Ross-Raymond, Chair	Present
Selectman Pete Ballou	Absent
Selectman Joe Schmidl	Present
Town Administrator Margaret Warren	Present
Administrative Assistant Kathie Downes	Present

Visitors: see sign in sheet attached with original summary on file.

Chairman Ross-Raymond called meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Selectman Ballou unable to attend tonight's.

Review and Approve Minutes of last meeting

- o January 8, 2014 – **Selectman Schmidl moved to accept the summary as written, Selectman Ross-Raymond seconded. All voted in favor.**
- o Review Accounts Payable & Payroll registers: **Select board moved and accepted**

Boston Post Cane Recipient Presentation – Isabel Bartz: Surrounded by members of her family, Selectmen presented Isabel with the Boston Post Cane as our “most” senior citizen.

Department Heads:

Fire Chief MacDuffie – monthly update - unable to attend due to a fire call.

December Stats: EMS (3); MVA (3); Staged for PD (1); Chimney Fire (1)

Old Business:

- Review and edit – 2014 Proposed Budget Figures: Board reviewed the areas in the budget for salary lines in Executive, Treasurer and Transfer Station to adjust them to 3% increase. Also added to the appropriation for Trustees of Trust Funds for contract to oversee the funds. It was noted that there is sufficient appropriation to allow encumbering \$13,000 for the fire vehicle maintenance required. Selectman Schmidl moved to encumber these funds from 2013 appropriation.
- o Review and edit – 2014 Warrant Articles. Selectman Ross-Raymond suggested going with \$25,000 for Fire Emergency CRF and \$15,000 for Rescue Emergency CRF. Remaining money articles to be as originally proposed. **Select board moved and accepted.**
- Meeting Updates/Reminders:
 - o Shared Services –Joint Towns Meeting - 1/23/14 – Salisbury 6:30 pm AH
 - o 1/20 – Planning Board met to work on zoning warrant articles. Also met with Roger & Adele Sanborn re: site plan review of an Art Studio business on the corner of Rabbit Road and Old Turnpike Rd.
 - o 1/22 – Conservation Commission – 7 PM –Safety Bldg
 - o 1/23 – Currier and Ives Byway – 6:30 PM – Hopkinton
 - o 1/28 – MVSD Budget Public Hearing – 7 PM – MVHS
 - o 2/10 – Public Hearing - Budget Committee– 7 PM – AH

- Town Hall Project Bid – **Selectman Schmidl moved to accept bid from Scott Bickford, Selectman Ross-Raymond seconded. All in favor.** AT Warren will contact him re: timeframe for project.
- TA Warren explained payment agreement with Avitar for ongoing abatement case. Selectmen asked TA to clarify with town counsel to see if agreement is necessary or if Avitar is already obligated under previous contract.
- Selectmen received recommendations from Budget Committee to update with MVSD the issue re: winter maintenance of Salisbury Elementary School driveway and parking lot and mowing of soccer field. RA MacDuffie explained that a lot has changed since the original 1998 agreement – and perhaps suggesting to school district they hire an independent contractor for winter maintenance. Also the issue re: Salisbury Trustees of Trust funds managing the school trust funds. TA Warren prepare letter addressing these two areas with MVSD.
- Selectmen noted recent article in Concord Monitor re: Salisbury Police coverage and the fact that there has been no contacts, comments, inquiries from our town citizens regarding this issue in the past months – and Selectmen still feel the overall population in Salisbury is satisfied with our current police coverage.
- AA Downes noted that there are two Conservation Commission – terms ending 4/14 and several opening for Recreation Committee. She will be posting a notice of vacancies in the near future.
- AA Downes asked Selectmen for input to their End of Year Report for Town Report so it can be finalized before end of month. She will be going to printer for town report right after Budget Public Hearing.

New Business:

- Reminder: Declaration for Candidacy 1/22 – 1/31/14

Public Comments:

Karen Sheldon – Franklin Road asked about fire/rescue call last Saturday. *A sledding accident:*

Other: All business that shall legally come before the Board

Selectman Schmidl moved to adjourn at 7:15 PM; Selectman Ross-Raymond seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathie Downes

Administrative Assistant

Meeting Summary reviewed and accepted at the February 5th, 2014 Meeting.

Selectmen, Town of Salisbury