



Selectmen's Meeting Summary March 4th, 2015

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

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

Chairman Ross-Raymond called meeting to order at 6:34 PM noting Selectman Schmidl absent tonight for medical reasons.

- Review and Approve Minutes of the last meeting – February 18th. **Selectman Ballou moved to accept the summary as written, Selectman Ross-Raymond seconded. All voted in favor.**

Review Accounts Payable & Payroll registers. **Select board moved and accepted.**

Departments:

Moderator/Clerk – Prepare/Review for Town Meeting: Moderator Herbert and Clerk Campbell in to discuss next week's Town Meeting. Reminder that polls open at 1 PM and all election officials must be present 15 minutes prior. Must have 2 selectmen per secretary of state at all times. Review of warrant and general discussion re: who will speak on the specific articles. Dinner meal will be provided by Town Decorations Committee. Question was asked about positions with no candidates on ballot – anyone showing interest as a write-in? *Mary Heath and Karen Sheldon have indicated they would take a write-in for budget committee and Lisa Stern has indicated she would accept write-in for cemetery trustee.*

Road Agent MacDuffie – monthly update

- Winter budget – as of today there is approximately \$30,000 remaining with still the possibility of more winter weather in the next 2 – 3 weeks. He feels we should have \$30,000 going in to November/December. Going into next fall will need more salt on hand – to have reserve. Board and MacDuffie discussed the idea of making up the difference with the \$22,000 amount that separates budget committee and board recommendation. Sandy Miller (a budget committee member) feels that makes perfect sense. MacDuffie feels he could make that work.
- MacDuffie noted he does have some salt at the present – using it sparingly to make it do until late fall/winter.
- MacDuffie asked TA Warren to order 10 ton weight limit signs (2 dozen)

Police log for February not yet received - will be reported next meeting. Selectman Ballou noted he stopped at the safety building and spoke with State Police earlier this week thanking them for their coverage. That particular day the officer had been covering for approximately 1 hour and had ticketed 10 – with one top speed of 69 mph.

Old Business:

- Meeting/Events Updates / Reminders:
 - Update - OHD – 2/19/15 – Theme this year will be – Honoring the Elderly.

- o Upcoming - MVSD Annual Meeting at the high school – 3/5/15 – polls open at 6 PM meeting begins at 7 PM.
- o Upcoming – Recreation – 2nd annual Winter Carnival/hockey tournament is Sunday 3/8/15 at noon at the Maplewood Recreation Field.
- o Upcoming – Salisbury Congregational Church Fund Raising Dinner – 3/14/15 at Town Hall. Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner – 5 to 7 PM. \$10 adults; \$5 children 12 years and under.
- Postings for CC and Recreation positions will go up tomorrow and applicants have until April 3rd to send in their interest. BOS will hopefully be able to appoint to these positions at the April 18th meeting. Committee chairs will receive a copy of notice to share with their committees.

New Business:

- SOP - Debit Card Policy – Selectboard has been reviewed, **Board moved, approved and signed.**
- TA Warren noted the DOT fuel depot distribution fuel keys and ID cards came in – and will be given to fire chief.
- Discussion of Job Posting for grounds keeper (Town Grounds and Cemetery Maintenance/mowing). Board will have cemetery trustees in to next meeting for general discussion and posting will be effective March 19th. Letters of interest and resume`s must be submitted by April 15th at 1 PM. Board would like to meet with the applicants with Cemetery Trustees to go over what is required before having the actual interviews.
- Audit completed and we have \$315,645 fund balance.
- Selectman Ross-Raymond noted he would like the actual amount of taxes raised the prior year to be noted somewhere in the town report. TA Warren will work with selectmen to decide where to put this information.

Selectman Ross-Raymond noted this being his last regular meeting before town elections, he wanted to express his thanks and appreciation to his fellow selectmen, town staff and officials. Selectmen Ballou agreed that it is a good group with which to work.

Public Comments:

- Bill MacDuffie thanked Ken for his years as selectman to date.

Correspondence:

- Town received four abatement requests - Miller-Glines; Sanborn; Fogelgren, Gonzalez

Other: All business that shall legally come before the Board

Selectman Ballou moved to adjourn at 7:20 PM; Selectman Ross-Raymond seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathie Downes, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Summary reviewed and accepted at the March 18th, 2015 Meeting.

Selectmen, Town of Salisbury