

**Town of Readsboro
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
January 31, 2018**

Selectboard Present: Helyn Strom-Henriksen, David Marchegiani, Jim Franzinelli
Others Present: Debbie Calnan, Forrest Hicks, Normajean Marchegiani

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

Change Town Administrator Position Review of Applicants to Executive Session

Approval of Agenda:

Helyn moved to accept the agenda as written. David seconded. So voted.

Reading & Approval of Records:

Helyn moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 01/24/18, as amended and corrected. David seconded. So voted.

Fiscal Matters:

A) Review of Budget Status Report

Checking Balance	\$ 503,262.48
Owed to School FY 2017-2018	\$ 562,638.72
Water Account	\$ 60,814.93
Sewer Account	\$ 64,544.57
General Fund Balance	\$ (59,376.24)

Amber reported that the check from the Deerfield Wind has been received.

Selectboard Administrative Report:

A) Updates

David called Lewis Sumner, Chairperson of the Selectboard in Halifax, to ask about the difference between Halifax vs. Readsboro's rent for space in the school.

Forrest Hicks asked the Selectboard if the rent would include the Town use of the library. Amber stated that this would include the Town office, hall and Administrative Assistant's office.

Normajean Marchegiani, Utility Clerk, called Kristen Benoit from Windham Solid Waste. They would like to hold a Hazardous Waste day in Readsboro and would like to know if the Town of Readsboro would like to do this. The Selectboard said that it would be okay. Normajean will call Christen tomorrow to inform her that she can schedule the Hazardous Waste day.

Old Business:

New Business:

A) Set Times & Dates for Meetings for February – Discussion & Action

The Selectboard set their meeting dates for the month of February for Wednesday, February 7th, and Wednesday, February 21st at 6:30 p.m.

B) Town Administrator Position Review of Applicants - Discussion & Action

This item has been moved to executive session.

C) Finalizing & Signing of 2018 Warning & Warrant - Discussion & Action

David is recommending changes in the articles as follows:

Article 4: to lower the amount of \$844,342 to \$834,842.

David moved to lower the Cemetery budget by \$5,000. Helyn seconded. David voted aye.

Helyn and Jim voted no.

David moved to cut the \$4,500.00. Helyn seconded. David voted aye. Helyn and Jim voted no.

Article 5: Lower Grant Matching Reserve Fund from \$60,000 to \$50,000 and there will still be enough in there to do the Sidewalk project.

David moved to lower the Grant Matching Reserve Fund from \$60,000 to \$55,000. Helyn seconded. So voted.

Article 7: Fire Equipment Repair and Replacement Fund. Remove completely.

Helyn moved to remove Article 7 because it is duplicated in article 8. Jim seconded. So voted.

Article 10: Change the wording to include 'Zoning' By-law. The word 'Zoning' was added. Also added to this article will be voted by 'Australian Ballet'.

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 or any other sum for the 'Town Owned Building' Reserve Fund? Add the wording 'Town Owned Building'. The wording was changed to include 'Town Owned Building'.

Hearing of Visitors:

Helyn presented a request for a The Snowmobile Rider's of Readsboro Club that would like to be able to ride safely within the town limits and have a good relationship with the town. They are requesting use of the roads to certain areas in the town. David asked for copies for each of the Selectboard members to review and discuss at a later date.

Executive Session:

Helyn moved to go into executive session for the according to 1 V.S.A. Section 313, evaluation of a public officer or employee, at 8:12 p.m. David seconded. So voted.

Helyn moved to come out of executive session at 8:27 p.m. Jim seconded. So voted.

The Selectboard reviewed two applicants, and they will contact those applicants.

Fiscal Matters:

A) Signing of Selectboard orders/bills

The Selectboard signed the orders/bills.

Adjournment:

Helyn moved to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. David seconded. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debbie Calnan, Selectboard Clerk
January 24, 2018
Approved: February 13, 2018