

**Town of Readsboro
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
April 19, 2017**

Selectboard Present: Helyn Strom-Henriksen, David Marchegiani, James Franzinelli
Others present: Debbie Calnan, Rebecca Stone, Elaine Dove, Larry Hopkins, Normajean Marchegiani, Chris Schofield, Rhonda Smith and Ted Hopkins

Call to Order:

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

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

Due to time sensitivity, additions under New Business were made as follows:

- Discussion & Action on Windham Regional Assistance with Act 174
- Discussion & Action on Temporary Meter Reader

Approval of Agenda:

Jim made a motion to accept the Agenda with the new additions. David seconded. So voted.

Reading & Approval of Records:

Helyn moved to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2017 Selectboard meeting as corrected. Jim seconded. So voted.

Fiscal Matters:

A) Review of Budget Status Report

Checking balance	\$ 374,704.41
Owed to school FY 2016-2017	\$222,951.72
Water Account	\$ 69,969.18
Sewer Account	\$ 52,530.77
Taxes Collected July 1 to Present	\$ 1,581,277.26
General Fund Balance	\$ 151,752.69

The Selectboard reviewed accounts that need to have funds transferred to before the end of the fiscal year.

Selectboard Administrative Report:

A) Updates

Helyn read the DPW report. Norman Wilber suggests that Bonnie View Lane, Chiste Drive and Wheeler Drive be considered for reclassification. They are too narrow to turn the town trucks around in; which could lead to potential damage to town trucks and property.

Helyn stated that people will need to sign-out Zoning files on a provided sheet by the cabinet when taking them out of for research.

David spoke with the Wilmington Police chief regarding the cost of digital speed signs. The Selectboard will look into more affordable options.

Report of Town Administrator:

Rebecca Stone reported that there will be an informational meeting on May 3rd to invite property owners to the fire station to answer questions that the land owners may have regarding attaining easements for Sidewalk Improvement Project.

Rebecca also reported that Bob Spencer, Executive Director of Windham Solid Waste, will be coming here on May 24th regarding roll-offs for the Transfer Station.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A) Discussion & Action on Tax Sale – Delinquent Tax Collector

Ted Hopkins, Delinquent Tax Collector, presented the Selectboard with a print out of the delinquent tax list that he made changes to. He explained what the color coded sections mean. Mr. Hopkins asked the Selectboard for their input and direction before moving forward.

B) Discussion & Action on Summer Help

The Selectboard asked their clerk, Debbie Calnan, Selectboard Clerk, to put out an ad for summer help in the three places in town for legal postings, put the ad into the Deerfield Valley News and post it to the town's web site. There are two (2) openings and the applications are due Friday, May 19th at 2:00 p.m.

C) Discussion & Action on Windham Regional Assistance with Act 174

Rebecca Stone informed the Selectboard that she attended the regional meeting of Windham Regional recently regarding assistance from WRC for Act 174 – Compliant Town Plan Energy Elements. They need to know if there is an interest in the plan and whether they need to assist the town with it. The Selectboard asked Becky to let Windham Regional know that Readsboro is interested.

D) Discussion & Action on Temporary Meter Reader

The Utility Clerk is physically unable to read meters for this month. Rebecca Stone, Town Administrator, will contact Norman Wilber, Superintendent of Public Works, to ask who would be available to do the reading next week. The Utility Clerk is able to ride in the car to help with the reading.

Hearing of Visitors

Rhonda Smith asked the Selectboard about doing flowers around town. The cedar half barrels need to be replaced. The Selectboard asked her to look into replacing four of the eight barrels this year. Ms. Smith will work up a price for the Selectboard and get back to them.

Chris Schofield asked for an update on the proposals for recycling for the landfill and the sheriff's contract.

Elaine Dove asked to have the signs in town repainted. The Selectboard will speak to Mr. Wilber, Superintendent of Public Works, about having it done.

Fiscal Matters:

Board reviewed mail & signed warrants.

David moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Jim seconded. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Calnan, Selectboard Clerk
April 19, 2017
Approved: April 26, 2017