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Town of Ashfield

Select Board Meeting Minutes

November 30, 2015

The Ashfield Select Board meeting was held on Monday, November 30, 2015 at the Ashfield Town Hall at 7:00 P.M. There were approximately 12 audience members in attendance. There was 1 audio recorder in use.

Previous Select Board Meeting was November 23, 2015

Select Board: Tom Carter-Chair, Ron Coler-Vice Chair, Todd Olanyk

Assistant Municipal Clerk/Scribe: Lynn Taylor

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Warrants:

Payroll Warrant WP16-12 dated November 30, 2015 (**document 2**)

Vendor Warrant W16-12 dated November 30, 2015 (**document 3**)

Minutes: none

Appointments:

John Angleman Smith Rd. Discussion: John starts giving the Board the history of Smith Road how and when it became a scenic road. He explains to the Board that he has three springs on the right of way and does not want them disturbed if Eversource is to put a road in as they would like to do. There were a few other Smith Rd residence also at the meeting that are also not happy with the amount of uncertainty around the high tension lines and the amount of traffic they are bringing in whether it be Eversource or people for the proposed pipeline. Ron Coler explains that per the Board request he forwarded the information given to the SB by John to Town Counsel, went to the site in question took photos, and spoke with the Highway Superintendent regarding the matter of Eversource building a maintenance road. Coler has put together a packet of information including the photos and Town Counsels response. (**document 4**) It is determined that there is no reason Eversource should not be allowed to build their proposed Rd. Carter

reads a portion of the Town Counsel report into the record. Coler drafted a letter (**document 5**) to Eversource explaining that Smith Rd is a scenic rd. per Chapter 40, Sec 15C and they must follow the requirements set forth by the law. Coler reads into the record. **MOTION:** Coler makes a motion to authorize the SB Chair to sign the letter on behalf of the SB, seconded by Olanyk. **VOTE: 3-0-0**

Gloria Pacosa-Town Common Agreement: Gloria had taken the Agreement that was drawn up by Town Counsel (**document 6**) to her attorney for review. Her attorney Dick Evans drafted an agreement (**document 7**) he thought would be better suited for the situation. It is decided that that Gloria will email her attorneys draft to Town counsel and cc the Franklin Lad trust as well, and have the two attorneys work out an agreement without costing a fortune.

FERC Timetable and action, Update from Jim Cutler: Jim brings the Board up to date on the Kinder Morgan project, Kinder Morgan has filed their application with FERC. There is a discussion pertaining to Intervenor status MCAP will be filing on behalf of the member Towns, however MCAP also suggests that Towns file individually. The feeling is the more individual intervenors the better the outlook. Olanyk will be going to an MCAP meeting on Tuesday and will hopefully be getting the answers to these questions. Jim Cutler also advises the Board he is no longer a member of Plan for the Northeast Committee. Nancy Garvin informs the Board that her daughter has received a threatening letter from a Boston Attorney regarding surveying.

Liquor Licenses and used Car Dealer Licenses: Carter reads the liquor license renewal applications for Nolan's Neighbors, Elmer's, Mark Graves Edge Hill golf Course, and Ashfield Lake house into the record. **MOTION:** Carter makes a motion to sign the liquor licenses and the letter to the ABBC, seconded by Coler. **VOTE: 3-0-0 (documents 8-12)**

Carter reads the Used Car Dealer license renewals for Roberts Bros, Paul Bacon, Todd Gerry, Al Rimbach, into the record. **MOTION:** Carter makes a motion to approve and sign the Used Car Dealer licenses, seconded by Olanyk. **VOTE: 3-0-0 (documents 13-16)**

Town Counsel review of Personnel Policy: Still have not received response from Town counsel.

Town Administrator discussion and Interview if needed: Carter introduces Kayce Warren to the Board. Carter has had a discussion with Warren who has expressed interest in coming to Ashfield as an Interim Town Administrator. She

has been employed by the Town of Deerfield for 17 Yrs and is currently employed as Deerfields Town Administrator. The Board continues by asking many different questions computer skills, ability to go after and obtain grant money, ability to manage many employees, committees, and Boards. Warren explains to the Board that she would come to the Town of Ashfield as Interim Town Administrator she however will require a contract to do so. Ted Murray chair of the Finance Committee is also present at the meeting and also asks a few questions during the interview discussion. After more discussion the Board members and Warren decide that she will start work for Ashfield on January 4, 2015 with the salary that was set at annual Town meeting of \$60,000.00 she will be taking the Town Insurance that is offered. **MOTION:** Coler makes a motion to have the Chair work with Town Counsel to pull together a contract for the Interim Town Administrator and bring to the Board for review, seconded by Olanyk. **VOTE: 3-0-0**

Liaison Reports: NONE

Mail:

-Contract letter from MIIA that needs to be signed to secure rate for FY17 and FY 18 Workers Compensation. (**document 17**)

Public comment: NONE

MOTION: Olanyk makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Coler. **VOTE: 3-0-0**

Adjourned at 10:47 PM

Document List

1. Agenda for 11/30/2015
2. Payroll Warrant WP16-12 dated November 30, 2015
3. Vendor Warrant W16-12 dated November 30, 2015
4. Information including the photos and Town Counsels response to John Angelmans letter
5. Letter to Eversource explaining that smith Rd is a scenic rd. per Chapter 40, Sec 15C and they must follow the requirements set forth by the law
6. Town Common Agreement drafted by Town Counsel with Gloria Pacosa.
7. Town Common Agreement drafted by Gloria Pacosa's Attorney.
- 8-12. Liquor License renewals and Letter to ABBC

13-16. Used Car Dealer license renewals

17. Contract letter from MIIA

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