

Town of Ashfield Select Board

Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2014

The Ashfield Select Board meeting was held on Monday March 10, 2014 at the Ashfield Town Hall. Tom Carter called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. There were 5 audio recorders and 1 video recorder in use during the meeting. There were about 45 audience members in attendance. Previous Select Board meeting was held February 26, 2014 at the Ashfield Town Hall.

Select Board Members: Tom Carter- Chair, Ron Coler- Vice Chair, Paultette Leukhardt-ABSENT
Executive Administrator: Mary Fitz-Gibbon
Assistant Municipal Clerk, Scribe: Lynn Taylor

Review and Sign Vendor and Payroll Warrants:

WP14-19 Dated 3/10/2014(**Document 2**)

WP14-19 Dated 3/10/2014(**Document 3**)

Winter Roads discussion: Discussion regarding Article 6 on STM Warrant; As of 3/10/2014 Warrant Winter Roads is -\$48,112.59 and another winter storm possible this week the Board decides to transfer the full \$72,600.00 into Winter Rds. Carter informs the Finance Committee of their decision.

Minutes:

2-26-2014 Minutes: **MOTION:** Coler makes a motion to accept the minutes of 2-26-2014 as amended, seconded by Carter. **VOTE:** Carter-aye, Coler-aye 2-0-0 (**Document 4**)

4-8-2013 Minutes: Discussion; Coler advises he has listened to the minutes of that meeting and submitted a Memorandum please see (**Document 5**) explaining his position regarding the minutes. Fitz-Gibbon and Taylor also listened to the recordings of that meeting.

MOTION: Coler makes a motion to accept the minutes of 4/8/2013 as amended on 4/17/2013, 6/14/2013, and on 3/10/2014, Seconded by Carter. **VOTE:** Carter-aye, Coler-aye 2-0-0 (**Document 6**)

MOTION: Carter makes a motion to recess the Select Board meeting in order to open the Special Town Meeting, Seconded by Coler. **VOTE:** Carter-aye, Coler-aye. 2-0-0 Recessed @ 6:52 P.M.

Carter re-opens the Select Board meeting at 8:10 P.M.

Appointments:

Interim Chief Diane Wilder, Appointments of new reserve Officers.

Wilder informs the Board that she interviewed 6 people for the advertised position. Wilder introduces Brett Matuszko to the Board as one of the Officers to be appointed; the other

Officer is Greg Dekoshak who was not available to attend tonight's meeting. Wilder plans on Dekoshak working the Sunday shift and Matuszko working the Saturday shift when their training is complete.

MOTION: Carter makes a motion to appoint Brett Matuszko and Greg Dekoshak as reserve Officers to the APD, Seconded by Coler. **VOTE:** Carter-aye, Coler-aye 2-0-0

MOTION: Carter makes a motion to appoint Elizabeth Lesure as an Admin. Asst. to the APD, Seconded by Coler. **VOTE:** Carter-aye, Coler-aye 2-0-0

Carter asked Wilder to get together with Fitz-Gibbon and come up with a job description for the position.

Heather Davis Plainfield, Jenn Bisbee Goshen come before the Board looking for Support for the Junior Olympics. They give an overview of how the program works; the different activities the children participate in. The program is open to all students ages 5-14 Yrs. costs \$5.00 per child to sponsor.

MOTION: Carter makes a motion that the Select Board support the Junior Olympics by preparing an article for Annual Town meeting, Seconded by Coler. **VOTE:** Carter-aye, Coler-aye 2-0-0

David Kulp IT Committee Chair: Kulp is not at the meeting however, he asks the Board to Appoint Tom Henry, of Lilliput Rd. as the 5th member to the IT Committee.

MOTION: Coler makes a motion to appoint Tom Henry to the IT Committee as its 5th Member, Seconded by Carter. **VOTE:** Carter-aye, Coler-aye 2-0-0

Liaison Reports: none

Public Comment:

Sherry Jourdan of Cummington Rd. wants the Board to be aware of speeding on Rte. 116 near the Streeter Farm. Jourdan was passed on the Spruce Corner Bridge when she was doing the speed limit. Carter advises as soon as the weather breaks the speed trailer can be set up out there. She is very concerned about Mrs. Streeter being hit when getting her mail.

Alan Lilly would like to have stop signs put up at the intersection of Stage Rd. and Watson Spruce Corner Rd. the cars never stop there. Lilly advises he has brought this up before and nothing has been done.

JoAnne Ostrowski would like to know if anything further is being done with the Voudran house on Main Street.

FY15 General Government Discussion: The Board reviews the proposed budget for general Government (**Document 7**)

MAIL:

- E-mail from Molly Robinson regarding her concerns with the antennas on the Town Hall Steeple. (**Document 8**)
- Letter from Dartmouth Ma Select Board. (**Document 9**)

Coler would like to bring up the Accuracy of the spreadsheet of Wages and Salaries that was submitted by the Personnel Board and sent to the Finance Committee at last week's meeting. The spreadsheet is inaccurate and outdated, and the minutes should reflect that it is not accurate before it gets out there floating around. This subject will be put on the Agenda for Monday March 17, 2014.

Coler makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Carter.

Adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

DOCUMENT LIST

1. Agenda for 3/10/2014
2. WP14-19 Dated 3/10/2014
3. WP14-19 Dated 3/10/2014
4. 2-26-2014 Minutes
5. Memorandum submitted by Coler
6. 4-8-2013 Minutes
7. Proposed budget for general Government
8. E-mail from Molly Robinson regarding her concerns with the antennas on the Town Hall Steeple
9. Letter from Dartmouth Ma Select Board
10. Minutes 3/10/2014

Approved as amended 3/24/2014 2-0-1

Note: These minutes were discussed, amended, and approved at the Select Board meeting dated 3/24/2014 and filed in the folder of the actual date of the said minutes