

Town of Ashfield- Select Board

Meeting Minutes

April 08, 2013

The Select Board meeting was held on Monday April 08, 2013 at the Ashfield Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Tom Carter -Chair. There were 7 Audio recorders and 1 video recorder in use. Approximately 5 audience members were in attendance.

Select Board-Tom Carter –Chair, Paulette Leukhardt, Ron Coler

Executive Administrator- Mary Fitz-Gibbon

Scribe – Assistant Municipal Clerk- Lynn Taylor

Review and sign the Warrant

Minutes:

Minutes of 04/01/2013 Discussion: Leukhardt express's her concerns with "Discussion" being used. Leukhardt contacted The Attorney General's office with this matter. They responded by saying with a 5-10 minute deliberation the word "Discussion" was not adequate. The minutes do not have to be a transcript only a summary of the discussion. (Document 1) After a lengthy discussion the Board came to an agreement.

MOTION: Carter makes a motion to amend the minutes of 04/01/2013 relative to discussion of Leukhardt's concerns of gender discrimination in the work place due to unpaid hours worked in Town Hall.

Motion: Coler makes a motion to accept the minutes of 04/01/2013 as amended , seconded by Leukhardt. **VOTE: Carter-aye, Leukhardt-aye, Coler-aye. 3-0-0** (Document 2 draft copy of 4/01/2013 minutes with changes)

Appointments:

Kachina Yuryan e-mailed her letter to the Select Board on April 5, 2013 as requested by the Board at a previous meeting. (Document 3)Kachina was present to have a discussion with the Board regarding concerns described within her letter. Kachina described problems with her apartment. Tom Carter asked Kachina if the problem was taken care of. Kachina answered yes at which point Attorney R. Dave DeHerdt interjected that he was representing Yuryan in potential litigation and stated that for the record, the answer was no.

Wayne Gardner brought two Town Hall use applications to the Board.

Ashfield Council on Aging (COA) is requesting to use Town Hall for a dance on May 10, 2013. The Board agreed to waive the fee for the COA. (Document 4)

MOTION: Coler makes a motion to waive the fee for use of Town Hall by the COA May 10, 2013, seconded by Leukhardt. **VOTE: Carter-aye, Leukhardt-aye, Coler-aye 3-0-0**

Ashfield Community Theartre is requesting use of Town Hall May 24, 2013-May 25,2013, May 31,2013 and June 1, 2013. After a discussion of the Board a motion was made to approve the request. (Document 5)

MOTION: Coler makes a motion to approve the application for the Ashfield Community Theartre providing they submit a certificate of insurance with 1-3 million coverage naming Ashfield as an additional insured, seconded by Leukhardt. **VOTE: Carter-aye, Leukhardt-aye, Coler-aye. 3-0-0**

Leukhardt questioned the legal expense line item on the expense report Fitz-Gibbon will check with the Accountant on Tuesday.

Leukhardt spoke with the Firearms Clerk regarding a stipend, The Clerk would not object to a stipend.

General Discussion of FY 14 Budget starting with Cultural/Recreational Expenses thru to the end of the Budget. Multiple lines reviewed.

Mail:

Carter reads a letter from Gov. Deval Patrick regarding Transportation Bond Bill. (Document 3)

Liaison Reports:

Leukhardt attended the awards ceremony at the Turners Falls Fire House pertaining to the grant which the Fire Department received for equipment.

Coler makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Leukhardt **VOTE: Carter-aye,Leukhardt-aye,Coler-aye. 3-0-0**

Respectfully Submitted, Lynn Taylor

Document List

1. Leukardt's memo notes of her phone conversation with the Attorney General's Office regarding minutes.
2. Copy of draft minutes for April 01, 2013 with changes
3. Letter from Gov. Deval Patrick
4. Town Hall use application for COA
5. Town Hall use application for Ashfield Community Theartre.
6. Warrants- Vendor EWP13-21 April 10, 2013 and Payroll WP 13-21 April 10, 2013

