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SANBORNTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

March 23, 2016

Town Offices

The Board of Selectmen convened in regular session on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at the Town Offices. In attendance were Selectman Karen Ober, Selectman Johnny Van Tassel, Selectman John Olmstead and Town Administrator, Charles Smith.

1.0 Non-Public Sessions - Under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) – Selectman Olmstead made a **motion** to go into non-public session at 4:32 p.m. Selectman Van Tassel **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote, Ober – aye, Van Tassel – aye and Olmstead–aye. TA Smith was also present. The Board reconvened the public session at 5:36 p.m. Chair Van Tassel announced no decisions were made and the board voted to seal the minutes.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance - Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 Public Comment

3.1 Peter Drouin Re: Metal Pile at the Transfer Station - Mr. Drouin stated since there is a new Chair of the Board he would like to discuss the metal pile and the swap shop because he didn't get very far with Dave Nickerson. Mr. Drouin noted the Town has gotten its swap shop back but this whole issue started when someone started taking sand from the Transfer Station. Chair Van Tassel replied he remembers what happened, when he worked there he didn't really care how much sand was taken because it was considered "fill" but someone did care and that person came in here to complain, which led to discussions concerning the metal pile and safety issues. Chair Van Tassel explained that shortly after that the Board decided on a metal dumpster, which was within the first six months of him being a Selectman before winter. Chair Van Tassel noted Peter had a decent idea with the concrete blocks and pad with the metal dumpster, then people could place metal on the pad and then at the end of the week it all could be cleaned up, so no one could get hurt. Mike Papera came up with a "one foot on the ground" rule but could someone still get hurt? Sure. Mr. Drouin replied the ruling at the Town's Special Town Meeting was to restore the swap shop and the iron pile back to the way it was, there was an extra sentence added. TA Smith explained Town Counsel has advised that the sentence to restore the operations back to the way they were effective immediately, was to return the operations to what they were at that point in time which was when there was a dumpster. Counsel also advised, the issues be given to the Solid Waste Committee of how tall the metal pile can get, how wide it can get and how often the metal should be picked up. Mr. Drouin replied that is just an opinion. TA Smith explained that the article should have spelled out X, Y and Z. Mr. Drouin stated the majority of the people voted by ballot in favor of this and he doesn't know why this office is unwilling to work with the people because it was quite clear how they felt. Mr. Drouin feels the Board is using their office to deny the people's vote because we are all not "Einsteins" and the language may not have been perfect but we want it back. Selectman Ober explained the reason the dumpster was put there, was to keep dirt off the metal and save the Town some money. Selectman Ober made a **motion** to take the dumpster and get rid of it and the metal is to

be placed back on the ground. Selectman Olmstead **seconded** the motion. Discussion; DPW Director Bordeau will need to renegotiate with the NRRA, only accepting items that have been drained of their gas/oil and removal of the recently posted signs. The motion **passed unanimously**. Selectman Olmstead charged the Solid Waste Committee with answering the question of, what can be done if residents refuse to place metal in the pile. Selectman Ober expressed her disappointment with two Solid Waste Committee members and a former employee going through the files at the Transfer Station and feels a letter of reprimand should be issued. Mr. Drouin replied he agrees, they should be asking for the files. Mr. Drouin thanked the Board for tonight's decision. AS Rollins noted most of the NRRA documents are located at the DPW.

4.0 Business

4.1 Sale of Town owned property - Mr. Van Der Schjiff has approached the Town regarding the purchase of Town owned property that abuts his property to build a garage. TA Smith noted the Board has the authority to sell the tax deeded property. Selectman Ober asked if the parcel should be retained for access to the lake. Chief Dexter replied the Fire Department has another access point and feels the other parcel has no real value to the Town because it is only .5 acres, has a 25' foot elevation and only 50 feet of beach front. Selectman Ober noted if the parcel is put up for auction there is no guarantee that Mr. Van Der Schjiff would get it anyway. Steve Ober suggested the Board check with the Conservation Commission first because he remembers a vote that was taken not to sell any waterfront. Selectman Olmstead made a **motion** to table until next month. Selectman Van Tassel seconded the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

4.2 Sick Leave Bank Policy - Tabled for review by the BOS.

4.3 Grader Operator - job description - Chair Van Tassel made a **motion** to approve the new Grader Operator job description. Selectman Ober **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

5.0 Other Business

5.1 Terry Knowles, Assistant Director - Charitable Trust Unit of the Attorney General's Office - Is scheduled to meet with the Board of Selectmen on April 20, 2016 to do a presentation and answer questions. TA Smith to notify Department Heads.

5.2 Primex & Joint Loss Management Committee (JLMC) - presentation for Department Heads at Town Office - The JLMC presentation is scheduled for May 5, 2016. There is also a training for "Public Sector Customer Service" on April 7, 2016.

5.3 2016 Board of Selectmen's Objectives Survey - BOS to fill out and return next week.

5.4 Lower Bay Road - RFQ's - TA Smith was asked to check references and rate the candidates for interviews by the Selectmen in the next few weeks.

5.5 Fire Department - Monthly Schedule - Chief Dexter stated he would be providing the department's monthly schedule, so the Board can see the areas where he is having problems finding coverage.

6.0 Non-Public Sessions - Under RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) - Selectman Olmstead made a **motion** to go into non-public session at 6:56 p.m. Chair Van Tassel **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote, Ober - aye, Van Tassel - aye and Olmstead - aye. TA Smith and Assessing Assistant Jutton were also present. The Board reconvened the public session at

7:36 p.m. Chair Van Tassel announced no decisions were made and the board voted to seal the minutes.

7.0 Selectmen's Reports

7.1 Mission Statement - Solid Waste Committee - The Board briefly discussed drafting a mission statement.

8.0 Authorize Payroll & the Accounts Payable Register – The BOS reviewed & signed the payroll and the accounts payable register, a copy was made available for public inspection.

9.0 Review & Approve Minutes

9.1 3/16/16 draft - Members of the Board reviewed the draft meeting minutes of March 16, 2016. Selectman Ober **motioned** to approve the draft meeting minutes of March 16, 2016 with minor changes. Selectman Van Tassel **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed**. Selectman Olmstead abstained.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT – Selectman Ober made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. Selectman Olmstead **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

11.0 NEXT MEETING (S) – The Board of Selectmen's next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 30, 2016 @ 5:00 p.m.** at the **Town Offices**.

Respectfully submitted,
April Rollins, Administrative Specialist