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SANBORNTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

January 20, 2016

Town Offices

The Board of Selectmen convened in regular session on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Offices. In attendance were Selectman Karen Ober, Selectman Dave Nickerson, Selectman Johnny Van Tassel and Town Administrator, Charles Smith.

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

2.0 Public Comment - Doug Surette asked the Board what the exact cost of the Special Town Meeting came to? Chair Nickerson replied \$5,226 dollars total. TA Smith provided Mr. Surette a breakout of the expenses.

3.0 Business

3.1 Trustee of the Trust Funds (T of the TF) - Alternate appointment of Evelyn Auger - Selectman Ober swore-in Evelyn Auger as an alternate to the Trustees of the Trust Funds and signed the Oath of Office.

3.2 Update on the work of the Budget Committee - The Selectmen reviewed the decisions that were made by the Budget Committee on 1/18/16. The Selectman agreed to leave their budget the way it has been proposed for the purposes of discussion during the Public Hearing. The Budget Committee's proposed budget differs from the Selectmen's budget by \$243,022 dollars.

3.3 Noise Ordinance - Chair Nickerson stated a noise ordinance warrant article has been suggested again this year and he doesn't have a problem with the proposal. Selectman Ober replied she has no problem with putting it back in either and this started out as a logging issue but it needs to be made clear, we are looking out for the innocent bystander. TA Smith noted the language is in last year's Town Report. Chair Nickerson made a **motion** to recommend the proposed Noise Ordinance. Selectman Ober **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

3.4 Scale for metal at the Transfer Station - Chair Nickerson stated there has been discussion to have a scale at the Transfer Station for metal, so people can be charged at a rate for the items they take. Bill Whalen asked what was being done for the additional expenses needed for the Transfer Station operations. Chair Nickerson replied the BOS has appointed the Solid Waste Committee and they are handling everything but there will not be any funding put in the budget until next year. Selectman Van Tassel stated the committee needs to look at the Town's needs versus wants. DPW Director Bordeau provided the BOS with some examples of scales from "Fairbanks Morse", "Cardinal" and "Totalcomp" ranging from \$1,500 to \$1,600 dollars. Director Bordeau explained that the scales are not drive on and the operator will need to get a "Weigh Master Certification". The BOS reviewed a warrant article that read as follows; "To see if the Town will vote to establish a fee on items removed from the Town's metal pile located at the Transfer Station. Fees on metals being removed shall be reimbursed to the Town prior to removal from the Transfer Station. Fees are to be established by weight and current scrap metal market value as established from time to time by the Board of Selectmen and deposited in

to the Town's general fund. Such fees are established to insure equity among all Town residents." Doug Surette stated if the price is \$40 per ton, then metal would cost 1.8 cents per pound and it would take 8 ½ years to pay back the price of the scale. Director Bordeau reported the metal pile was at 31.2 tons and it went to 54.18 tons, after access was closed to residents. Chair Nickerson stated this will also set a price on the metal, so it will not be considered free for people to take. Chair Nickerson made a **motion** to recommend this article on the warrant. Selectman Ober **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

3.5 Financial Advisor - T of the TF - TA Smith stated the RSA 39-a reference in the article is correct but there seems to be some confusion because RSA 31:38-a already provides the authority to reach out to a financial advisor. TA Smith noted he doesn't feel the Town's Capital Reserve Funds (CRFs) are large enough. Bill Whalen asked if there was a figure for the cost of the advisor? TA Smith replied they would take a percentage of the Town's portfolio. Bill Whalen suggested the Board have a dollar figure for the people to vote on. Selectman Ober made a **motion** to recommend the warrant article. Chair Nickerson **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

3.6 Numeric Tally - TA Smith explained that the Board can vote to include a numeric tally (recording of each Selectmen's vote) on the warrant.

3.7 Selectmen's authority over the Planning Board - TA Smith stated after last week's complaints from Dan Downes, he has checked with counsel and the Board has the authority to remove anyone that is appointed by conducting a Public Hearing. Bill Whalen stated the complaints should be put in writing.

3.8 Lower Bay Road - RFQ - Chair Nickerson made a **motion** to send the Lower Bay Road RFQ out to bid. Selectman Ober **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

3.9 Structural Engineering Interviews – To be conducted next week.

4.0 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.

5.0 Review & Approve Minutes

5.1 1/13/16 draft - Members of the Board reviewed the draft meeting minutes of January 13, 2016. Selectman Ober **motioned** to approve the draft meeting minutes of January 13, 2016 with one correction in section 6.1. Selectman Van Tassel **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

5.2 1/18/16 draft - Members of the Board reviewed the draft meeting minutes of January 18, 2016. Selectman Ober **motioned** to approve the draft meeting minutes of January 18, 2016 without corrections. Chair Nickerson **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

6.0 Other Business

7.0 Selectmen's Reports - None at this time.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT – Chair Nickerson made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Selectmen Van Tassel **seconded** the motion and the **motion passed unanimously**.

9.0 NEXT MEETING (S) – The Board of Selectmen’s next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 27, 2016 @ 5:00 p.m.** at the **Town Offices.**

Respectfully submitted,
April Rollins, Administrative Specialist