

TOWN OF JEFFERSON
SELECTBOARD
February 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Jefferson was held at the Selectmen Office Monday, February 6, 2017 at 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Kevin Meehan, Chair, Tom Brady, and Cindy Silver members comprising a quorum of the Board.

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Cushman, Assistant to Selectmen; John Trumbull, Assessor

Kevin Meehan opened the regular meeting at 6:35 pm. The Board reviewed and approved the bills for payment next week. The Highway and Transfer Station report was reviewed. The warrants were signed. Terri Larcomb, Treasurer was in to sign checks.

Tom Brady made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 30, 2017 Select Board minutes and place on file. Cindy Silver seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Linda Cushman reported that Calvin Crawford had come to replace the whistle in the oil tank. When he removed the old whistle he found that the whistle was clogged because of debris in the tank. Calvin cleaned the old whistle and put it back in the tank. He said changing the whistle would not solve the problem. The tank either needs to be cleaned or replaced. Linda was asked to get information on cleaning the tank and the associated cost.

John Trumbull present his recommendation to address the BTLA appeal that Fred Lovejoy filed with the BTLA. John stated that this property is located on Belle Hunt Road and there is an issue as to the acreage and ownership of lot 36. This dispute has gone to court between the property owners, when settled any acreage change will be done at that time. As far as value on lot 36 and 37 John said that he does not believe the lots are build-able, there would recommend reducing the value to \$3200 each. The Board recommend that lots 36 and 37 be merged with lot 35 once the court case is resolved. This will elevate any future issues with these lots.

Tom made a motion to accept the recommendations of Mr. Trumbull. Cindy seconded the motion. Motion carries.

The Board reviewed an application from Christopher St. Cyr for part-time police officer. Tom made a motion to hire Mr. St. Cyr as part-time police office at \$12.38 per hour regular and \$40.00 per hour special duty. Cindy seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Cindy said that she has been researching web site designs, something that would be interactive. Whitefield's site is an example of such a site. More information on the possible designs can be seen at vt-s.net. This company does design for many schools and towns, most however are in the southern part of the state. A new web site could make the town more interactive with persons looking for information about the town. Cindy said that she has just started research and will have more information to come.

Tom reported that the County is looking at a short-fall of revenues. This short-fall could make an increase of the 2017 budget as much as 12% overall. The commissioners have asked all department heads to look at their budget and make reductions where possible. Tom said that things need to change.

The next meeting will be February 13, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

The Budget Hearing is February 13, 2017 at 7:00.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cindy seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,