

Selectmen's Meeting
August 10, 2016
4:00 p.m.

The meeting opened at 4:00 p.m. Present were Selectmen George Donovan and Tony Palminteri. Glenn Dochtermann was absent. Also, present were Fred Holt, Treasurer and Joyce Wood, Administrative Assistant.

After review of the minutes of the August 2, 2016 Selectmen's meeting, it was moved by Mr. Palminteri and second by Mr. Donovan to approve as written. All voted in favor.

Fred Holt and Joyce Wood shared information on the fiscal year change and the proposed schedule prior to a December 3rd six month town meeting. Also present was Andy Bors, Town Clerk. Recommendations were discussed by all with some changes made to the schedule. After reading a memo to all departments, committees and employees, it was moved by Mr. Palminteri to approve and sign the memo as written. The memo invites all to an informational/planning meeting on August 30, 2016 to discuss and pass out a six month budget request. George Donovan seconded, all voted in favor and the memo was signed. All were in agreement that a joint meeting should be held with the Selectmen and the Budget Committee prior to the August 30th meeting. All agreed to meet on Monday, August 22nd at 6:00 p.m.

It was reported that one of the water fountains at the Alfred Park was not working well. It was explained that the two fountains are set up so that the water pressure is very low on the further one. After discussion, all agreed that Fred Holt will contact Ron Berard about this and get his opinion on what could be done. Also a question on who will "shut down" the water to the fountains for the winter was discussed. All agreed that Fred Holt will contact the Alfred Water District about this.

An e-mail from the Comprehensive Plan Chair, Amy Titcomb, on the land use map and potential changes was reviewed. All agreed that a copy be given to Glenn Dochtermann in advance of the next Comprehensive Plan meeting next week as it will be his turn go attend on behalf of the Board. Also decided that, if Mr. Dochtermann was not able to attend, Mr. Palminteri would attend.

After explanation of an Assessor's 801 form, it was moved and seconded to sign as submitted. All voted in favor and the document was signed by the Chairman, Mr. Donovan.

The upcoming MMA Convention was discussed. Mr. Donovan said that he would like to attend. All agreed to send in his reservations after asking other staff members if they were interested in attending this year.

Three letters to properties owners whose tree growth plans are overdue were read by the Board. After questions and discussion it was moved by Mr. Palminteri and seconded by Mr. Donovan to approve and sign the letters as written. All voted in favor and they were signed.

A letter to Attorney Rachin inviting her to a Selectmen's meeting was approved and signed.

Jon Lord, Road Commissioner, met with the Board to report on a call with the State Police on an incident on the Avery Road. A citizen had called and reported that a four wheeler was damaging the road.

The warrants were reviewed. It was moved and seconded to approve them as submitted. All voted in favor and the warrants were signed.

Fred Holt, Treasurer, presented the sealed bank statements for the month. Each Selectmen opened several statements that were reviewed and discussed.

A letter from a concerned citizen concerning the condition of some of the flags around Town was read and discussed. Joyce Wood reported that she has asked the Fire Department to take down the damaged flags and they assured that they would. The Board agreed to respond to the letter by e-mail and thank the sender and report on what has been done.

A letter from RSU #57 reporting on equipment that is available was read. The Board agree to request a list if available.

A letter to Earl Morrison thanking him for his service to the Town as member of the Budget Committee was approved and signed. He had given a verbal resignation as a member to this committee earlier in the week.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.