

Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday, January 26, 2017

These minutes were recorded by Laura Nash, Boards & Commission Secretary in the absence of Ellen White, Town Administrator.

Call to Order:

Selectman Riley called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Attendance by Roll Call:

Present were Selectmen Franklin Riley, Robert Freeman, and Richard Morgan. Absent: Ellen White, Town Administrator

Review of Water & Sewer Red Folder:

Water & Sewer Department invoices approved on 01/23/2017 for w/e 01/20/2017 returned for Selectmen's signature completion. Signatures completed.

2017 Draft Warrant Articles (1/26/2017)

Riley stated the Selectmen would go through each article to approve or remove and then go back and assign numbers and place in order. Freeman and Morgan agreed.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for the purpose of repair and improvements of Town roads. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #1.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #2.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of Town building improvements (Town Hall, Freight House, Highway Garage, Library & Police Station). (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #3.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the Solid Waste Facility Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley ask for any discussion. Morgan stated there are current two projects over there that have never been done and the money was available. Morgan questioned why we are trying to raise \$30,000.00 more. Freeman tried to reach Brad Harriman. The Board was unable to reach Harriman and the Selectmen decided to remove this article.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Bridge Repair and/or Replacement Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for discussion. Morgan noted the request was originally for \$30,000 and commented since the dredging was done, the request should be lowered to \$20,000. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #4.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand eight hundred sixty dollars (\$40,860) for the purpose of purchasing one new police cruiser and equipment. This amount to come from the Town's unreserved fund balance (surplus). (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #6.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$46,500) for the purpose of purchasing a new dispatch computer system and software for the Police Department cruisers. This amount to come from the Town's unreserved fund balance (surplus). (Recommended by the Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by the Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #7.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-nine thousand two hundred ninety dollars (\$59,290) for the purpose of paying the Ossipee Water System's bond payment for one (1) year. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #8.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Account previously established for the purpose of a complete revaluation of the Town in the year 2020. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #9.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) for the purpose of upgrading the server and computer equipment at Town Hall. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #10.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Benefit Pay Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. Selectmen questioned if the amount was sufficient but did not have the account balance available. No further questions. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #11.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) to be added to the Invasive Species Control Fund previously established for the purpose of preventing and treating milfoil in Ossipee Lake. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. CURRENT FUND BALANCE = \$4,195. ANTICIPATED 2017 EXPENSE FOR MILFOIL CONTROL = \$42,921 WITH 30% GRANT MATCH = \$12,876. BALANCE MUST BE RAISED TO BE EXPENDED.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #12.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of acquiring a Town Beach on Ossipee Lake and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund **and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend.** (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. Morgan noted a phrase of the Selectmen to be designated as agent to expend. Riley made a motion to approve the article as amended. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #5.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Ossipee Town Water Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #13.

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Ossipee Town Sewer Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. Selectmen numbered this article #14.

Brad mentioned he was waiting on an updated figure for the gym floor replacement. Do you want to add this warrant article?

Article #x To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of xxx (\$xxx) for the purpose of replacing the floor in the Bud Avery Memorial Gymnasium at the Town Hall. (Recommended by Selectmen x-x) (Recommended by Budget Committee x-x) Majority vote required.

If so, this amount will need to be added to the figures on the spreadsheets I am forwarding separately. Another option would be to increase the government buildings improvements warrant article to cover the cost amount but if turned down, we could lose all funding for that purpose.

The Selectmen decided to remove this article.

Morgan mentioned from the previous meeting not to accept the gift from Dan Hole Pond Watershed Trust for the build out study. Morgan also stated he was willing to put a warrant article on the ballot, asking the Town's people if they want to accept that gift. Selectmen decided to wait and discuss later.

Adjournment:

Riley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeman seconded. Riley asked for any discussion. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Adjourned at 10:30 AM

Franklin R. Riley, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Richard H. Morgan

To be approved 1/30/2017