

Minutes of February 13, 2017 Regular Selectboard Meeting

Present: Board Members Carl, Russell, Lisa Hill, Moe Brigham and Chris Jarvis. Others Present: Town Manager Keith Arlund, Kirk White, Dave Sambor, Julie Hinman and Lisa Campbell for the Herald of Randolph.

Chair Russell called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Approval of the Agenda: Hill requested an executive session to discuss personnel matters at the end of the meeting.

Dedication of Town Report: Lisa Hill read the dedication of the town report to the Bethel Revitalization Initiative. Members present were pleased.

Public Comment or Inquiry: There were no comments.

Reports, Motions and Ordinances:

1. Selection of Town Manager hiring committee. Arlund provided the names of six individuals who had responded to the ad: Bev Washburn, Ele Griffin, Paul Vallee, Kirk White, John Fago, and Kevin Barry. Hill noted that they were to be residents. Russell noted that Hill would not be running for the Select Board again but her expertise is needed on the hiring committee. The Committee will consist of Hill, Washburn, Griffin, Vallee, White, and Fago. The Town Manager will notify them all and request that they attend the next meeting on February 27, 2017.
2. Update on Town Manager hiring process and timeline. Russell stated that all applications will be made available to the committee at the next board meeting. VLCT will advertise again. They have received 25-30 to date.
3. Russell reported that new draft of the zoning should be available at the next meeting.
4. Whitcomb High School request for Coin Drop. The request was approved for March 25, 2017 in the area near the band shell.
5. Discuss Town Meeting and Review Budget items. Russell suggested that the projector be used to highlight information regarding the Capital Plan, the budget summary and other items to better inform the citizens. Jarvis volunteered to discuss the budget summary page. Arlund will discuss projects and long term needs in the various departments.
6. Town Manager's Report.
 - a. Constable's Report. Arlund noted the speed report generated by the speed signs and the normal written report. The new cruiser was picked up in Winhall and will be in service soon. The '97 Tahoe has been sold for \$2,100.
 - b. Status Update of Action Items. No report at this time.

Minutes and Communications:

1. Select Board minutes of January 23, 2017 were approved.
2. Committee Minutes were acknowledged.

Other Business:

1. The Town Clerk requested approval of two liquor licenses.
2. The Board reviewed the memo from the Listers on the incorrect taxation of the Dartt Hill Solar Project. The Board approved the Lister recommendation to remove the education portion of the taxes in accordance with PVR guidance.

The Board entered executive session at 6:58 PM, exited at 7:18 PM. Board adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Carl Russell

Lisa Hill

Vanessa Brown

Chris Jarvis

Moe Brigham