

Town of Knox

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes 01-12-2016

Present: 1st Selectman Galen Larrabee, 2nd Selectman Jeffrey Stevens, 3rd Selectman William Ingraham, Town Clerk Carol Hamblet, Treasurer Dorrit Emerson, CEO David Schofield, Planning Board member Walter Thompson, Waldo County Sheriff Jeffrey Trafton and Chief Deputy Jason Trundy

Meeting called to order at 6:30PM by G. Larrabee

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to approve the agenda.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to accept as written the minutes of the December 22 and 31, 2015 meetings.

Sherrif J. Trafton spoke and introduced his Chief Deputy J. Trundy. He gave an overview of the operation of the sheriff's department with an emphasis on open communication with town office officials and the general public.

A resident has expressed interest in serving on the Cemetery Committee. Committee member D. Schofield will contact him.

The Bureau of Motor Vehicles has granted the town temporary authorization to register trucks over 26,000 pounds. The probationary period is for six months.

Aaron Weston of CAI Technologies will be attending the January 26, 2016 meeting to discuss the free imagery available for digitizing the town maps plus the other services they offer.

D. Schofield gave an update on the land use violation cases. Six dumpster loads have been removed from the 121 Kenney Road property. The Right of Way has been cleared of vehicles at the 464 Kenney Road. A \$200 fee will be deducted from the towing bill because the Waldo County S.O. requested that particular vehicle be impounded. D. Schofield was asked to get the report stating such. Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to have any unexpended funds in the 2015 budget under Legal Fees and Land Use Enforcement costs be carried forward into 2016.

The Board will vote on a policy for FOAA fees at the next meeting.

The Board will fill out a grant application with the DEP for a culvert upgrade as soon as an application is available.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to sign the 2016 Animal Housing Contact with the Humane Society Waterville Area.

No action taken on MCRPC agreement. W. Thompson gave an update on the Comprehensive Plan work being undertaken by the Planning Board.

D. Schofield, as Cemetery Committee chair, reported that the committee is working on covenants for the Board of Selectmen to review.

The latest information from the Municipal Review Committee concerning the post 2018 solid waste issue was given to the Board. A town meeting article is going to be needed to address the issue.

Road issues discussed. Snow on the walkways at the town office need to be addressed.

The Maine Spirit of America Association would like to have the Board nominate someone for the 2016 award by the end of February.

Board given a report of all uncollected real estate and personal property taxes as of 12-31-2015.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to allow Unitel to hold Digital Literacy classes at the town office on February 16 and 23, 2016. Unitel will put in a temporary WiFi for their use and disconnect it when they are done.

DOT will be doing a highway resurfacing project on a portion of Route 137 in 2016. After the new pavement is placed, no permit to open this segment of highway will be granted for a period of 3 years except as provided in Title 23, M.S.R.A.ss3352

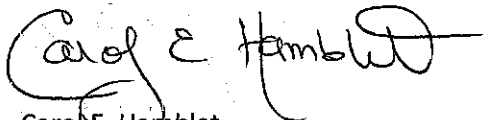
The owner of RE account #357 would like a review by the Assessors of their property in 2016.

The RSU 3 Superintendent, Paul Austin, will be invited to meet with the board at one of their regularly scheduled meetings.

The auditor will be at the town office on January 13 and 14. The Board needs to begin the budget process for the 2016 town meeting. The town has received the 2016 MMA Workers Compensation Fund Renewal paperwork. Treasurer D. Emerson discussed some budgetary issues with the Board. A laser printer will need to be purchased in 2016 to be dedicated for the use of the new Bureau of Motor Vehicle registration forms.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to adjourn at 8:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol E. Hamblet

Town Clerk of Knox