TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

February 6th, 2018 Town Hall Annex

Select Board members present: G. Cromwell, B. Ezell, and K. Caisse

Call to order by Cromwell at 6:30pm

SB2 Proposal: Brian Kullgren and Steve Anderson

- Petition signatures presented for SB2
- Public Hearing set for Tuesday February 27th at 5:30pm, just before the regular BOS meeting at 6:30pm.

Action Item A: G. Rae to place a public notice in the Ledger newspaper for printing on Tuesday February 20th.

Review of 2017 Budget and 2018 Proposed:

- Addition of police, ambulance and waste disposal/recycling expenses added to budget spreadsheet.
- Moved communications line item from Public Safety to Fire Department expense of \$17,572.
- Efforts are being made to draft a budget proposal to better anticipate any "left-over" money at the end of the year.
- Public Hearing on this budget Thursday February 8th at 6:30pm
- Police Budget also reviewed

CIP update:

- Committee Report being finalized
- Article #5 and #7 CIP suggested \$ amounts
- Acknowledged the need for a study committee for a relocation of the highway department in the future.

Action Item B: G.Rae to assist in printing of the 40 copies of CIP report, once finalized, for Town Meeting.

Selectmen Salary Increase: Review of vote from January 9th BOS meeting

• A review of MEDIAN wages for comparable BOS stipends in the area performed by Ezell. Found: \$2,000 per select member and \$1,780 is the "average".

Motion made by Ezell to rescind the Select Board vote from January 9th, 2018 to raise Select Board salaries, seconded by Cromwell, Caisse abstained, motion passed.

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Warrant Articles:

- Reviewed and edits suggested Articles #4-#11 for wording, monetary amounts and the ordering of the list
- Cromwell will review all warrant articles with Attorney Drescher before the public hearing on the 8th.

Published Dates:

Thursday February 8th Budget Hearing, 6:30pm, Town Hall Tuesday February 27th SB2 Hearing, 5:30pm, Annex Thursday March 8th Candidates Night, 7pm, Town Hall Tuesday March 13th Town Voting, 7-7, Town Hall Saturday March 17th Town Meeting, 10am, Temple Elementary School

Action Item C: G. Rae working with webmaster to update the town website with election information.

<u>Current Use Tax Form:</u> 96 Fish Rd. letter from Avitar, signed, passed to Tax Collector for further processing

Update for utility upgrades pending for Pack Monadnock:

- Ezell attended a utility meeting for the Eversource request for power improvements up Pack Monadnock.
- Residents from Temple, Peterborough and Jaffrey were present as well as state reps and Nature Conservancy reps.
- The current equipment infrastructure is out of code and very aged.
- Eversource will be presenting 9 scenarios / alternative upgrade options with further public meetings to come. Earliest meeting may be in March.
- This is the same issue that the BOS sent a letter concerning: Mr. Philip Bryce, NH State Department of Natural and Cultural Resources last fall. Senator Sanborn, Rep. Moore and Rep. Somero were all copied on the Temple residents' concern.

Meeting Minutes:

• CORRECTION to January 9th Historic District Commission roster (addition):

John Kieley, 3 years, term to expire in March, 2021
Lilliane LeBel, 3 years, term to expire in March, 2021
Margaret Cournoyer, 3 years, term to expire in March, 2021 (resident of district)
Honey Hastings, 2 years, term to expire in March, 2020

Peter Allen, 2 years, term to expire in March, 2020 (associate member)
Gail Cromwell, 1 year, term to expire in March, 2019 (selectmen)

 January 23rd Meeting, motioned for acceptance as amended by Caisse, seconded by Ezell, all in favor.

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Public Comment:

 George Willard asked about the "incumbent" label on the town's Notice of Openings posted by the Town Clerk. Willard feels the label may be a barrier for current or new Temple residents to try and run for a Town elected position.

Action Item D: G. Rae will ask the Town Clerk as to the reasoning behind the incumbent title being listed on the ballot.

Action Items:

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- **B.** G.Rae to assist in printing of the 40 copies of CIP report for Town Meeting.
- **C.** G. Rae working with webmaster to update the town website with election information.
- **D.** G. Rae will ask the Town Clerk as to the reasoning behind the incumbent title being listed on the ballot.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:54pm, motioned by Caisse, seconded by Ezell, all in favor.

Next Meeting: Tuesday **February 13th 6:30pm** Town Hall Annex.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Gretchen Rae, Assistant to the Select Board.