

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
FEBRUARY 9, 2016  
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Gail Cromwell, George Willard, Ken Caisse

Call to order by Cromwell at 1:00 p.m.

Employee Issues: Move by Cromwell to enter non-public at 1:00 pm under RSA 91-A:3II(a) employee compensation, second by Caisse and voted Cromwell – yes, Willard – yes, Caisse – yes.

Out of non-public session at 1:16 pm. Moved by Caisse, second by Willard to seal the minutes of the non-public.

Move by Caisse to “regular” employees a 1.5% increase across the board, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cromwell and voted in the affirmative. Move by Cromwell to add the position of Website Manager with a stipend of \$1,200/year, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative.

Prior Minutes: Discussion about why Caisse abstained on the vote for demolition of 400 NH RT 45. Cromwell suggested that the sentence be added to that discussion to the effect that “Fiske stated that he met with all the companies and explained what needed to be done”. Move by Cromwell to approve the amendment to the 1/26/16 minutes, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative. Move by Willard to approve the 1/26/16 minutes as amended, second by Cromwell and voted in the affirmative.

2/2/16 minutes: Move by Willard to approve the 2/2/16 minutes as corrected, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Caisse and voted in the affirmative.

Paperwork: Signed vouchers.

Reviewed and signed letter to Office personnel.

Budget/Town Meeting Preparation: Fiske informed the Board that the company testing for asbestos at 400 NH RT 45 uses an independent lab for the testing. This means that the town owns the results of the test and is free to get quotes on the removal from other firms. The Board discussed the asbestos removal costs. Quotes on removal cannot be obtained until after the testing is completed. Cromwell suggested that warrant article #6 contain a “place holder” amount of \$30,000. This will cover the demolition and allow an amount for asbestos removal. The dollar amount may be changed at town meeting once quotes for removal have been received.

The Board reviewed the budget, it was determined that the \$11,000.00 for headstone repair will be removed from the budget and a separate article will be placed on the warrant.

The Board reduced the dollar amount for the Police line item to reflect the credit from 2015 as the Police were under budget in 2015.

The Board reviewed the “stand-alone” police budget. It is estimated to be \$30,951 higher than the joint Police budget would be. It was clarified that for 2016 the costs for a “stand-alone” Police Department would be for 8

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months. Cromwell informed the Board that she had been discussing how a “stand alone” Police Department would operate with Chief McTague. Cromwell asked McTague to explain the hours that would be worked. McTague stated that he would probably set up the schedule so that the Chief was on 8 am to 4 pm, full-time officers 4 pm to 12 pm; the full-time officer would be on call 12 pm to 4 am with the Chief on call 4 am to 8 am. Part-time coverage would be 12 hours on Saturday and 12 hours on Sunday. If the Chief officially retires he could work part-time at 32 hours/week. There was a question asked about coverage if the Chief is part-time. Gary Scholl brought up the proposed “rental trailer” that would temporarily house a “stand alone” Police Department. Scholl thought the rental cost may be under estimated. McTague and Caisse suggested getting prices on “modular” classrooms that are no longer in use.

The Board discussed the joint Police Department and the request from Souhegan Valley Ambulance that there be “on-call” officers. Cromwell reviewed the “on-call” budget proposed by Greenville and informed the Board that Greenville would like to have another meeting to discuss the on-call issue. J. Kieley suggested that the BOS say that there is “no valid data” to approve and that there is currently only one officer available to be “on-call”.

The Board reviewed the warrant, articles were moved and numbering changes were made.

Motion to adjourn at 3:09 pm by Willard, second by Caisse and voted in the affirmative.

Minutes submitted by Debra Harling

*~ Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 6:30 pm, Town Hall Annex ~*