

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
JANUARY 24, 2017
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

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

Call to order by Willard at 6:30 p.m.

Town Elections: Steve Cullinan, Moderator, and Joyce Kullgren, Town Clerk, came in to discuss the new voting hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Steve said Gail had called him prior to the BOS meeting to talk about it and he told her it was up to the BOS and he would be there if we voted it. He wished he had suggested Joyce be involved as well but she wasn't. However Joyce had sent word to the BOS meeting that Conval had Temple listed as 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Both Steve and Joyce said that 12 hours was a very long day for the election workers. Joyce said that town election usually average about 450 voters and we just don't need that much time for them to vote. Gail mentioned the long line outside at 8 a.m. before the November election and that she was told they would like to come at 7 am so they could vote before work. We have a lot of people who commute as far as Boston. Joyce and Steve said they weren't asking to change the hours back now but Steve said it was important for all of us to communicate better and collaborate in the future. Gail asked how could we make it easier for the workers to handle the long day? Steve said he could appoint an assistant moderator for himself. Joyce can get Jeanie to help as deputy town clerk. They were encouraged to do that. Steve also mentioned that he was concerned about having the selectmen so involved with the duties inside. He feared it was not appropriate particularly when a selectman was on the ballot, and that conversations also seemed to slow voting down. Two of us have to be there but we don't have to handle duties. He can hire enough people to do the work.

69 Kullgren Road: Mike Darnell met with the BOS for an update on his complaint about 69 Kullgren Road. Darnell did not think the bank foreclosure had occurred. A new letter will be sent, this may need to be served by the Sheriff's Office.

Prior Minutes: Move by Cromwell to approve the 1/10/17 minutes as amended, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative.

Paperwork: Signed vouchers.

Contract for Total Notice LLC, move by Cromwell to approve the contract, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative. Willard signed the contract as Chairman.

Signed building permit application for Sullivan, M 06 L 013-17-21.

Signed acceptance letter for 2016-2017 health insurance with SchoolCare.

Other Business: Reviewed postcard for upcoming dates regarding town meeting, move by Cromwell to approve the postcard, second by Caisse and voted in the affirmative.

Christine Robidoux, Library Trustee, discussed the request from the Library for a warrant article to build a "storage closet" at the Library. Robidoux explained that the only quote they were able to obtain was from Greg Ellis. There was discussion about having Tim Fiske, Road Agent, doing some of the site work. Caisse asked for a scope of work and contract. Move by Willard to approve a warrant article for the Library in an

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amount not to exceed \$12,300.00 for Library storage, contingent upon scope of work and contract, second by Caisse and voted in the affirmative.

Cromwell informed the BOS that Niki McGettigan, Principal at TES will be retiring at the end of the 2016-2017 school year after approximately 30 years at TES.

Discussion about holding a special meeting to discuss the 2017 budget proposals. Move by Willard to hold a special meeting on 1/31/17 at 6:30 pm for budget proposal discussion, second by Caisse and voted in the affirmative. Review of possible warrant articles: replenishment of the Fire Department Vehicle Maint. & Repair Expend. Trst. – Move by Caisse to add \$7,000.00 to the FD Vehicle Maint & Repair Expend Trst, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative. Discussion about a warrant articles for the River Center request for funding, money into the Culvert & Bridge Expend Trst. Discussion about compensation, Caisse requested that the BOS look at positions that have not received an increase in a number of years. The BAC recommended 2% increase in certain positions. It was determined that compensation will be discussed at the 1/31/17 meeting.

Cromwell submitted a revision of the Selectmen's report for the town report.

Committee Reports: Cromwell – SAC meeting reviewed the Conval budget. 2017-2018 enrollment appears to be down approximately 70 students. Cromwell reviewed the projected budget, projected fund balance and projected revenues. SAC is requesting the various towns make a recommendation on supporting the Conval budget.

Motion to adjourn at 8:34 pm by Cromwell, second by Caisse and voted in the affirmative.