

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
JANUARY 31, 2017  
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: George Willard, Ken Caisse, Gail Cromwell  
Cromwell stated she would be recording the meeting.

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

CIP Recommendation: Connie Kieley, Chair of the CIP, submitted the 2017 CIP recommendations. Kieley stated that the CIP Committee is recommending that capital reserve funds be started in 2019 for large purchases, and has recommended that all departments try to find grants for scheduled purchases. For 2017 the CIP Committee is recommending \$30,000.00 for the Highway Department and \$12,300.00 for the Library storage addition.

Town Hall: Dick Benotti & Connie Kieley, TTHAC, informed the Board that the TTHAC is recommending the Board use \$1,650.00 from the Town Bldg Maint & Repair Expendable Trust to purchase 3 doors for the Town Hall. The Highway Department will paint and install the doors. Move by Cromwell to add \$1,650.00 for 3 doors for the Town Hall, with the money to be withdrawn from the Town Bldg Maint & Repair Expendable Trust, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative.

Benotti & Kieley spoke about a “Nest” thermostat for the Annex Meeting room. This type of thermostat can be controlled from a computer or smart phone. This would allow more flexibility in controlling the heat for the meeting room. Move by Cromwell to approve the purchase of a “Nest” thermostat for the Annex Meeting Room, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative. Discussion about paying for this after Town Meeting.

69 Kullgren Road: The Administrative Assistant informed the Board that Attorney Drescher had phoned in response to an email question about how to proceed on the issue of 69 Kullgren Road. Attorney Drescher will review the file and compose a letter to Mr. Woodbury. Mr. Drescher will also inform the Board on the best way to serve this letter.

Library Storage Addition: Christine Robidoux presented a scope of work and proposed contract for the Library storage addition. The Board approved the contract, contingent upon approval of the money at Town Meeting, and Willard signed the contract as Chair

2017 Budget: Discussion about wage and salary increases. Willard proposed a 3% increase to all FT employees except 4% to Steve Harling and 1% to Time Fiske. Caisse and Cromwell stated that they would only do “across the board increases for everyone”. Move by Caisse to give 2% increases across the Board to “regular” employees, second by Cromwell and voted Caisse and Cromwell – yes, Willard abstained.

Discussion about stipends for Deputy Tax Collector, Deputy Treasurer and the Moderator. Move by Cromwell to institute a stipend of \$100.00 for the Moderator for Town Meeting Day, and \$300.00 per year for the Deputy Tax Collector and Deputy Treasurer, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative.

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Discussion about the “part-time” Highway employees. Move by Cromwell to increase “part-time” Highway employees to \$17.50/hour with a 4 hour minimum, second by Willard and voted Willard and Cromwell – yes, Caisse – abstained.

Discussion about increasing the Moderator, Supervisors of the Checklist, and Election workers hourly wage. Move by Caisse to increase the Moderator, Supervisors of the Checklist, and Election workers to \$9.00/hour, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative.

Discussion about the cost of the Ambulance cost for 2017. Wilton has opted to increase the per diems for the Ambulance personnel and is working on hiring another full-time Medic. The Ambulance cost for 2017 will be \$49,931.85 per Caisse, who had attended the Wilton Budget Committee meeting on Thursday, January 26, 2017.

Discussion about the Police budget. Cromwell stated that there appears to be a surplus from 2016, the amount of the surplus will be finalized by the auditors for the Town of Greenville. At this time it appears that Temple’s cost for the Police will be \$215,000.85 for 2017.

Tedd Petro asked the Board if the surveys that were looked at regarding salaries and wages included benefits. Petro stated that other towns offer retirement, more holidays, disability and life insurance, which Temple does not offer.

Willard informed the Board that the BAC is recommending reducing the sand and gravel line in the Highway budget by \$6,000.00 and adding that \$6,000.00 to the vehicle maintenance and repair line.

Willard and Cromwell will help with setting up at the school for Town Meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 7:28 pm by Cromwell, second by Caisse and voted in the affirmative.

Submitted by Debra Harling