

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – August 28, 2013

Selectmen James Cleary, Jeffrey Rose and Steven Osienski were present as well as Administrator Denise French. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Police Chief Steve Campbell met with the Selectmen to deliver the resignation of Patrol Officer John Giffin effective September 30th. He discussed with the Selectmen his tentative plan to retire within two years and wondered if the Town should seriously consider whether or not the community would be best served by consolidating the Police Department with a neighboring community. For the short-term the Chief will advertise the full-time vacancy and the need for part-time police officers.

From 6:28 p.m. until 7:05 p.m. the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(a). Present were Selectmen Cleary, Rose and Osienski, Administrator French and Police Chief Campbell. No decisions were made.

Fire Chief Mike Roina met with the Selectmen and introduced Donald J. (DJ) Warner – a returning Bennington firefighter and Robert Boisvert – a former New Ipswich firefighter - as the newest members of the Bennington Fire Department.

From 7:15 p.m. until 7:28 p.m. the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(a). Present were Selectmen Cleary, Rose and Osienski, Administrator French and Fire Chief Roina. No decisions were made.

Building Committee members Peter Martel and Rhea Taylor met with the Selectmen to discuss Committee membership and the planned VFW renovation project. Selectman Osienski volunteered to be the Selectmen's liaison to the Building Committee.

From 7:32 p.m. until 7:58 p.m. the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(c). Present were Selectmen Cleary, Rose and Osienski, Administrator French, Peter Martel and Rhea Taylor. No decisions were made.

In other matters the Selectmen took the following action:

- Reviewed and approved the Selectmen's August 21, 2013 Minutes. Also reviewed were the Conservation Commission's August 15, 2013 Minutes.
- Reviewed and approved the August 28, 2013 Accounts Payable and Payroll Registers.
- Voted a \$100 memorial donation to the Bennington Congregational Church in memory of John French.
- Chairman Cleary signed the Project Engineering Services TE Phase II Project Agreement for Consultant Services between the Town and Fay, Spofford & Thorndike, LLC.
- The Board signed the Summary Inventory of Valuation (MS-1). Also signed was an Intent to Cut Wood for M14/L1.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise French
Administrator