

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – January 11, 2017

Selectmen James Cleary and Jeffrey Rose were present as well as Administrator Denise French. Also attending the meeting was Bethany Craig. The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

From 6:13 until 6:16 p.m. the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(a). Present were Selectmen Cleary and Rose as well as Administrator French. The Selectmen voted that the Town Clerk's wages be paid hourly rather than a fixed salary; there was no change to the 2017 budgeted line-item.

Nevan and Marylou Cassidy met with the Selectmen to finalize arrangements that will allow them to keep their prematurely built porch over a Town utility right-of-way. The Selectmen and Nevan Cassidy executed a License Agreement for M7/L76 which permits Mr. Cassidy to construct a porch within the Easement while at the same time protect the interests of the Town. The License will be recorded at the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds and run with ownership of the property. Subsequent to executing the License Agreement the Selectmen approved an after-the-fact Building Permit for construction of the porch.

Kristie LaPlante met with the Selectmen to inform them of a temporary change in her family's routine due to a military deployment which will result in her daughter/s brief attendance at Town Hall before and after school. The Selectmen appreciated her visit and authorized the brief daily interludes.

The Selectmen took action on the following matters:

- Reviewed and approved the January 12, 2017 Payroll Register as well as the January 10, 2017 Accounts Payable Register.
- Discussed conceptual uses for the newly created locked storage area on the second floor of Town Hall. No decision was made.
- Received notice of the immediate resignation of Water/Sewer Commissioner Glenn Wilson. This second Water/Sewer Commissioner resignation creates a hardship for the Town. Without a quorum, the Town is without authority to manage the Water/Sewer Departments' affairs – including release of utility invoices which could have an adverse affect on the consumers.
- Reviewed and approved a Building Permit for M1/L16.
- Chairman Cleary signed a letter of understanding with Vachon, Clukay & Company PC relative to the upcoming audit of all 2016 financial matters.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. ahead of the 2017 Budget Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise French
Administrator