

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – January 31, 2018

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

The Selectmen took action on the following matters:

- Reviewed and approved the Selectmen’s January 24, 2018 Minutes.
- Reviewed and approved the Payroll and Accounts Payable Registers for January 31, 2018 as well as the February 1, 2018 Payroll Register.
- Reviewed paid expenses for the month of January.
- Voted to hire Colin Frain as a firefighter pending receipt of favorable background checks.
- Tabled approval of the Primex Contribution Assurance Program for FY 2020-2022 until the Town can investigate a comparison quote for property and liability insurance with a commercial agent.
- The need for the Board of Selectmen, Trustees of Trust Funds and Cemetery Trustees to jointly meet to better define the mandated procedure for receipt of gifts, legacies and devises.
- Conceptually discussed the wisdom of the Agenda being available days ahead of each meeting rather than the Selectmen receiving the Agenda at their 6:00 p.m. meeting; establishing a “read me” folder that would house miscellaneous notes of information that administrative staff receive throughout the work week. No decisions were made.
- Expressed an interest in the Town acquiring an LED speed zone sign from NHDOT as observed along State highways in neighboring communities.
- Heard a report from Selectman/Ex-officio Planning Board member Jeff Rose who spoke with NHMA legal counsel about the apparent abandoned condominium project owned by Joshi Hospitality Group LLC; that the Joshi condominium approval could be revoked if there has been no significant work within the initial twenty-four month time frame (RSA 674:39) and the need to conduct a Public Hearing to consider the revocation (RSA 676, IV).
- Finalized arrangements for the Board to present the 2018 Town Warrant at the February 7th Deliberative Session.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise French
Administrator