

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017**

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Youland called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Mr. Steve Maheu, Mr. Kevin Nichols, Mr. Kurt Youland, Mr. Ralph Caldwell, Mr. Angelo Terreri, Mr. Kurt Schaub and Mr. Bob Boutin. Guest: Mr. Warren Hood, Mr. Jeff Timberlake, and Mr. John Davis
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** Add Mr. Timberlake as 4-2 and add Road Postings as 4-3
- 3. Code Enforcement Officer Report: 3-1: Regular Monthly Reports – December & January:** Mr. Boutin has completed his Legal & 80k testing and qualified for his certification. Has also taken the SSWW/Plumbing test and waiting for results. Provided to the board a list of permits that have been issued.
- 4. Highway Department Report: 4-1: Regular Monthly Reports – December & January:** Mr. Leland Searles provided the board with a list of completed projects and vehicle repairs that have been completed. **4-2: Traffic Light at Snell Hill intersection:** At last meeting board voted to see about the possibility of having this light flashing from 10pm-4am. Mr. Timberlake would like to see the hours changed before he goes to DOT with this request. Motion and second to have the light flashing from 8pm-6am, unanimous vote. Mr. Schaub will write a letter to authorize the change to flashing between the hour of 8pm and 6am. **4-3: Posted Roads:** Motion and second to authorize the Public Works Department to post the roads in the same manner they have in the past no later than March 15th, 4 in favor 1 opposed. Motion and second to authorize Mr. Leland Searle to sign the posted road signs, unanimous vote. **4-4: Main Street traffic:** Mr. John Davis wanted to know when the sign for No Thru Traffic would be going up. Mr. Schaub explained to Mr. Davis that the town has the sign but needs to wait for the ground to thaw to install the sign. Mr. Davis went on to discuss the speed on Main Street and again was told that the speed was a Law Enforcement issue and that the town could do nothing about it.
- 5. Revaluation Proposals: 5-1: Review of Revaluation Proposals:** Motion and second that if the revaluation is approved that the town would award the bid to John O' Donnell if Kurt Schaub can negotiate the price to \$199,000, unanimous vote. **5-2: Action as warranted:** Motion and second to approve the revaluation, 4 in favor 1 opposed.
- 6. Town Manager's Report: 6-1: Tri-Town Meeting:** As requested, Mr. Kurt Schaub contacted Leeds about the date for the March meeting of the Tri-Town Selectmen. The date has been changed to Tuesday, March 7th at 6:00pm at Leeds. **6-2: MSAD 52 Budget:** Mr. Schaub provided the board with an article from Sun-Journal on the proposed MSAD 52 budget for 2017-18. As proposed, the budget will increase 4.26%, or \$1,089,282. Mr. Kurt Schaub went onto the Department of Education website and found the district's state aid projections for 2016-17 and 2017-18. For the 2016-17 school year, the district projected to receive \$13,667,195 of state aid. The 2017-18

projection is \$13,861,084, or an increase of \$183,889. Which then appears that the local share of district expense will increase \$905,393. Turner's share of that increase is 49%, or \$443,643 – which would add about 1.1 mils to the tax rate, which is currently 16.86. Mr. Schaub has asked MSAD 52 for verification of these figures. **6-3: Town**

Report Bid: Motion and second to put out to bid as written, unanimous vote. **6-4:**

State Snowmobile Refund: Registration refund sent to towns by the state are generally intended to support trail maintenance, and is dependent on the volume of registrations done in each town office during the prior year. In recent years, the town has received \$3,100 to \$3,900, and has approved \$3,500 for the Snowmobile Club for each of the past two years. This year, the club requested \$3,500 and both the Budget Committee and Selectmen have recommended \$2,500, the reimbursement from the state was received this week, in the amount of \$2,508. **6-5: Board of Assessment Review:** In

January, the Selectmen dealt with a tax abatement request for reason of poverty. The matter was dealt with in an Executive Session and the application was denied. The town has been verbally advised to expect that decision to be appealed by the applicant. **6-6:**

Informational Report: Work is underway on the Town Report.

7. Consent Agenda: Motion and second to accept consent agenda, unanimous vote.

8. Executive Session – Labor Negotiation – Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (D) – Public

Works Union: Motion and second to enter into executive session at 8:00pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to exit executive session at 8:30pm, unanimous vote. No action taken.

9. Adjournment: 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM