

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 16, 2015 Town Hall

Chair Rick Stern called the meeting to order at 6:35pm

Present: Chair Rick Stern, Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectman Jan Stuart, Sewer Plant Manager Denis Messier, Sewer Commissioners Justin Richardson and Skip Kohl, Gail Klanchesser, Library Trustees: Chair, Steve Bush, Lee Lamson, and Lillian Wilson, Library Director Lara Croft, Recreation Committee members: Chair, Bob Dell Isola, Keith Frizzell, Darryl Brown and Myhanh Nguyen, Conservation Commission Co-Chair Jane Hislop and Town Administrator Martha Roy

Minutes Approval: J. Stuart moved to approve the minutes of October 21st, November 2nd and November 5th, 2015. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Manifest Approval: C. Iocovozzi moved to approve the manifests dated 11/03/15 in the amount of \$220,716.07 and 11/10/15 in the amount of \$31,588.69. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

Waste Water Treatment Facility Budget Review: D. Messier reviewed the draft budget with the Board of Selectmen. The budget is expected to decrease significantly in 2016. Construction of the facility refurbishments will start in the spring of 2016. This is a draft budget until the COLA is determined. **R. Stern moved to approve the Waste Water Treatment budget pending the COLA being set. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Historic District Commission Budget Review: This item was tabled until the December 7th Board of Selectmen's meeting.

Library Budget Review: The Library Trustees and the Library Director presented the budget to the Selectmen. The budget had been reduced from the 2015 approved budget. There are only part time employees in the 2016 budget. S. Bush reminded the Selectmen that \$32,000. will be given to the Library for a maintenance fund. **R. Stern made a motion to approve the library budget of \$177,245. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.**

Conservation Commission Budget Review: J. Hislop presented a reduced budget from the 2015 budget to the Selectmen. The education line was reduced as well as beautification which is funded at \$500. for 2016. The Conservation Commission is working on expanding the conservation easement on Knight's

Brook. The Town Forest dump evaluation will continue in 2016. **J. Stuart moved to approve the Conservation Commission budget of \$7,962. R. Stern seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Recreation Committee Budget Review: The Recreation Committee has reduced their proposed budget from the amount approved in 2015. The Committee is reducing the number of activities for Septemberfest to help contain the budget. J. Stuart asked about Senior activities. C. Iocovozzi suggested that an announcement be added to the Town's website asking for suggestions for Recreation programs. **J. Stuart moved to approve the Recreation Committee budget of \$51,050. R. Stern seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Cemetery Committee Budget Review: C. Iocovozzi presented the budget to the Selectmen. They will be relocating monuments and washing stones. J. Stuart asked for further details on the Perpetual Care Trust funds and how those were being used. There was not a consensus to pass the budget.

Pease Restoration Advisory Board Member: **J. Stuart moved to appoint John Stowell to the Pease Restoration Advisory Board. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Facility Usage Requests:

**J. Stuart moved to approve the following Facility Usage requests:
UNH Marine Docent, Holiday Party, 12/10/15, Town Hall, 9-3pm
C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Permit Applications to Conduct a Raffle:

International Brotherhood of Boilermakers: The Board discussed the need to have the nonprofit status paperwork from the group prior to approval of the raffle application. This item was tabled until the paperwork was received.

Team Challenge NH: **J. Stuart moved to approve the Team Challenge Raffle contingent on receiving the application form. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Gate Clicker Requests:

**J. Stuart moved to approve the following Gate Clicker requests:
Jennifer Philbrick-24 Beane Lane
C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Molly Shardy asked about the use of Town Hall tables and chairs. The Board reiterated that they do not lend out tables and chairs to residents. The Board discussed revising the previous minutes to say "tables may be moved from the

Town Hall for town functions or by special exception by the Board of Selectmen”.

Ice Skating Rink: Peter Latchaw and Bob Dell Isola discussed building an ice skating rink at the school this winter. It would be located on the grass between the basketball and tennis courts. There is a slight grade issue. They are working on a budget and plan that will come to the Board of Selectmen in the future. The rink will be removable for the spring and summer seasons. Eversource will be contacted for approval. A shed, benches and a warming station have been donated. Brian Haberstroh is donating the majority of the material.

J. Stuart made a motion to go into a nonpublic session at 8:27pm per RSA-A:3a(e). C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The Board returned from the nonpublic session at 9:32pm.

C. Iocovozzi moved to seal the minutes of the non-public session indefinitely. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor on a roll call vote.

R. Stern made a motion to approve the following Healthtrust plans for 2016:

BC2T20(01) RX 10/20/45

AB20(01)-R10/25/40M10/40/70

C2500MC(01)-M\$1

MC 3(01) R\$100M\$1

MC 3(01)-RX10/20/45

MC NRX (01)

R. Stern moved to approve a \$300 per month health insurance buyout program (to be paid out quarterly) for non-union employees as outlined in a policy and application by the Town Administrator. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

R. Stern moved to approve the Northeast Delta Dental Program, Option #1.

J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

R. Stern moved to set the COLA rate for 2016 at 1% for full time, non-union employees. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

R. Stern moved to approve the COLA rate for 2016 at 1% for stipend employees. J. Stuart seconded the motion with a 2-1 roll call vote.

C. Iocovozzi was opposed.

R. Stern moved to approve increasing the town secretary's hours to 35 per week to cover the afternoon hours. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

Adjournment: C. Iocovozzi moved to adjourn at 9:42pm. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy
Town Administrator