

Selectmen/Assessor's Meeting Summary
February 22, 2017

In attendance: Select Board – Wesley Daniel, Tom Johnston, Berkley Linscott; CEO – Bob Temple; Town Clerk/Treasurer – Ann Dean; Public – Donald Grinnell, Lynn Carroll, Jane Carroll

Wesley Daniel called the weekly Selectmen Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Tom Johnston moved to accept the summary from 02/08/2017 as written and 02/15/17 with correction, Berkley Linscott seconded, all in favor.

Tom Johnston moved to pay the warrants as presented \$7,871.46/payroll, \$135,631.29 (includes school assessment 122,765.75)/vender, Berkley Linscott seconded, all in favor.

Public Works Report – None. Wesley Daniel read a note that was written from what Charles Tucker said at the window last week. He said he can't get over how well the roads are being kept up and ' marvels at the hard work and how good they are '.

CEO Report – Bob Temple reported he is working on the subdivision on Mountain Road which will be on the Planning Board agenda in March. He is also working on the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance to identify all the provisions in the Land Use Ordinance that refers to it which will also be on the Planning Board agenda in March.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Report – Ann Dean reported that Dean Brewer was in the office on 2/13 to complete year end adjustment and worked with Mary Anderson on check book reconciliation. Ann has been working on town report and the deadline is Friday. We received the snowmobile refund from the state. Ann attended the MidCoast Municipal Meeting on Friday where representatives from Lincoln Communications gave a presentation of their fiber optic build out and its many benefits. Flyers were provided to hand out to residents who might be interested in this service. Alan Hinsey, Director of Marketing and Sales, will contact the town to discuss future services in Washington. She purchased two office chairs, on sale, from Staples.

Wesley Daniel moved to put the Marijuana Moratorium Ordinance on the Warrant to vote on at the town meeting, Tom Johnston seconded, all in favor.

Wesley Daniel moved to put the Emergency Management Ordinance on the Warrant to vote on at the town meeting, Tom Johnston seconded, all in favor.

Tom Johnston moved to approve and sign the Warrant for the 2017 Annual Town Meeting as presented, Wesley Daniel seconded, discussion ensued: Berkley Linscott asked the other two Selectmen if they were going to push for a 40/week for the Road Crew. They explained it will be presented to the legislative body for a vote. The Select Board discussed the funding. Berkley Linscott asked about the alternate plow driver and why she hasn't been called. Berkley stated the Road Foreman, should come to the Selectmen's Meeting so they can ask him questions and give him suggestions. Tom Johnston reminded the Selectmen that last week they decided if someone

wanted something done to make note of it and bring it to the Board. Tom stated the Board needs to come to a conscientious on how to deal with the Road Crew; Road Foreman should only have one boss. Wesley Daniel suggested there be one liaison between the Road Crew and the Select

Board and the Road Foreman meet with the Select Board, during the day, one time per month to discuss what is being done. Berkley wanted to know why the Road Foreman can't come in to discuss what he's doing and why with all three Selectmen. Berkley also suggested making the Road Foreman position an elected position, give him all the money, and let him do what he wants. Tom Johnston and Wesley Daniel stated they would not go for that. Tom did say the Selectmen have to direct him because he is appointed and an employee; the Select Board all need to be on the 'same page' to direct him. Tom agrees with Berkley that the Road Foreman needs to come in once a month, although we don't ask other department heads to come in once a month. Wesley Daniel moved to have Tom Johnston be the liaison between the Road Foreman and the Select Board, Berkley Linscott seconded, all in favor; Tom Johnston abstained. The Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting was signed by the Select Board.

Questions and Comments

The Selectmen initialed and dated the completed January, 2017 bank statement.

Donald Grinnell stated that when he orders the Veteran's flags, he'd like to replace the American flag in the Bryant Room which is old and faded.

Donald Grinnell had four copies of the Emergency Operation Plan for the Select Board to sign (copies go to Town Office, Fire Station, Kit Lascoutx, and Knox County EMA). Tom Johnston moved to sign the four copies of the Emergency Operation Plan, Wesley Daniel seconded, all in favor. Donald Grinnell stated the reason to push this is the new law states that if you don't have a plan within 3 years, you can't get any grants.

Jane Carroll stated that at the town meeting last year someone asked what it would cost if the town hired their plowing out; what would be the difference between us hiring some work out and doing it ourselves. No one had any numbers. Jane asked if there was a way that the information could be provided at this year's town meeting. Tom Johnston stated that it is hard to compare but they could come up with a cost per mile of road for year-round maintenance and could possibly break it down to winter maintenance. Wesley Daniel stated that the Town of Edgecomb just took out a plowing contract for \$7,678.00/mile per year - multiply that times our roads it would be \$399,256.00 for plowing and sanding. Jane said that would be great for a comparison to bring to the town meeting.

Lynn Carroll asked the Select Board to address the sound system at the town meeting. Tom Johnston said he would call someone to maybe borrow a better system.

Wesley Daniel adjourned the meeting at 7:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anderson

