

**APPROVED MINUTES
FREEDOM BOARD OF SELECTMEN
February 22, 2016**

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

PRESENT: Selectmen Ron Price, Steve Bennett, Ken Overlock. Also in attendance were Bob Gerrish, Sallyann Hadyniak, Marilyn Perry, Brian Jones, April Turner, Chris and Christine Spaulding (EMD) and Meridith Coffin (Solid Waste Director)

REVIEW MINUTES:

February 8, 2016 -**Ron motioned to accept minutes as written. Ken seconded. (All in favor)**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Erna reported:

Payroll Warrant \$2,677.12
A/P Warrant\$1,861.01
Ending checkbook balance.....\$ 560,858.01

- Payroll Warrant this week is \$2,677.12 **Ron/Ken motion to accept & sign payroll (All in favor)**
- A/P Warrant this week is \$1,861.01 **Ron/Ken motion to accept & sign AP Warrant (All in favor)**
- Received a check from MRC for \$1,346.75

TOWN CLERK:

- Cindy reported that Spirit of America tribute for Avian Haven will be in next year's Town Report. This year is going to have an informational that shows who received it in the past.
- Dedication for the Town Report will be for Rich Spinelli, Brian Mitchell and Harold Greely. It will be written as three different articles which should state what they did for the town. Ron will contact Kim & Steve Holmes to write the article for Rich Spinelli and Nancy Bailey for Brian Mitchell. Ken offered to write the article for Harold Greely.
- Went over last year's Town Warrant and will email to Steve with any changes that should be made. Hoping to have this done by next Monday to put in the Town Report.
- She will be fixing the letter to residence about new trash days to including trash and recycling pick up time. She will also contact Sullivan's to ask about spring cleanup day.

CITEZEN ISSUES:

- Bob reported that the windmills were loud three nights this week.
- Sallyann reported that there are 5 geese loose that are causing traffic hazards and property damage. Asking Scott to contact owners.

RECREATIONAL:

- Planning an indoor yard sale for town meeting and election day
- Finalizing plans for Easter Festivities

ROAD COMMISIONER:

- Ron reported that they got a spare rim for the loader
- Clint Spaulding called and reported that there was a culvert dammed up by beavers. That was cleaned out today.

SOLID WASTE:

- Meridith reported that after the town meeting we have to sign something stating how much municipal town waste we think Freedom will generate.
- Town needs to make a first decision on what to do with solid waste come 2018. MRC vs. PERC
- She went over information she received through a phone conversation with Brewer's Mayor as well as her own research. Steve suggested making a chart to compare pros and cons of MRC vs. PERC to send to residents and put in town report.
- The decision should be discussed and voted on at a special town meeting.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR:

- Grant information finally came through for transfer switch to wire the Fire Dept., Town Office and modular up to the generator. It is expected to be approved this time. The electrician would go out to bid by grant standards.
- The town is required to open a warming center. Christine would let the selectmen know when it needed to be open but it would be up to them to run it.
- EMA meeting is Tuesday and Hazard litigation meeting Wednesday.
- Need to go through training records and update selectmen and office staff training.
- There will be training in May or June to set up a mock disaster situation. The selectmen need to be involved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Steve got ahold of Frances to put the tax maps on the website with a notice that if there any errors to notify the office.
- **Ken motioned to have the commitment book put online. Steve seconded. (All in favor)**
- Steve stopped at the Post Office and Ron will have someone take off the timer on the water heater

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ron wants to have an outside faucet at the Fire Station to be able to wash equipment. He will get ahold of Jim regarding this
- Need to ask Post Office to clean out furnace room

Ken motion to recess meeting till Thursday February 25th at 6pm. Steve seconded. (All in favor)

Respectfully Submitted,

**Secretary
Tiffany Fitzpatrick**