

SELECT BOARD MINUTES

April 11, 2017 7:00 - 8:59 PM

Attending: Chairman MaryAnn Haxton, Member Edwin Hinshaw, Road Commissioner Andrew Wickson, RSU#10 Charles Maddaus, CEO William Kennedy, Clerk Susan Runes, Deputy Clerk/Secretary Michelle Boucher.

Guests: Becky & Butch Durgin, Walter Jasniewski, Ronnie Turcotte and Matthew Turcotte

The Minutes of March 28th, 2017 meeting were read. MaryAnn Haxton moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Edwin Hinshaw, all in favor

Warrant #20 was verified, approved and signed by select board.

Checks 12003 - 12025 totaling \$149,418.75 was verified by Edwin Hinshaw

Receipts 1729 -1748 \$23,208.62 were verified by Edwin Hinshaw

2016/2017 \$998,664,65 83% Tax Collected

2015/2016 taxes collected 84.25% at this time Last Year read and verified by MaryAnn Haxton.

Open Session:

Butch and Becky Durgin stated there concerns in regards to the Chandler Bridge on River Road. Mr. Durgin stated that the only problem he had seen with the bridge was the rails and that he could see no other damage to the bridge. Mr. Durgin also stated he had concerns on the recreational use of the bridge and what would happen if the bridge had to be removed? Andy Wickson stated that Maine DOT report stated that the bridge abutments were failing and the bridge needed to be closed due to safety. The bridge does not meet the Maine DOT standards. Andy also stated that Maine DOT was sending a certified copy of their findings and once we receive the letter that the bridge would have to be closed until further notice. The road commissioner also stated that he would be checking on to see if there were grant funds available to fix the bridge. If the bridge is a public easement way, then who will be responsible for the bridge repair costs? Select Board Chairman MaryAnn Haxton would like to know, as a town, do we have any recourse of action in regards to the bridge and are there any other options available? These questions are being looked into by the road commissioner.

School Board:

Charles Maddus stated that the reconfigure plan had been approved. Charles also stated the budget is at 5.084% which is about \$40,000 above last year. Would like to see this amount at a lower rate. Charles stated that Hartford and Buckfield were dealing with the same issue. The Finance committee will be meeting again next week to see if this amount can get much lower.

Forms & Reports:

March Financial Statements were reviewed by Selectmen

Planning Board meeting minutes for April 4, 2017 were reviewed by selectmen with no comment

Homestead Exemptions for William Macmillan Map R20-Lot 3-2, 468 Redding Road, Maureen Libby Map U1-Lot 28, 56 Butterfield Road, and Nicholas & Tiffany Tiff Map R07-Lot 6A, 223 Butterfield Road

Tree Growth for Kelsea & Terrance Flynn Map R15- Lot 40, 423 Main Street was reviewed and signed by Chairman MaryAnn Haxton.

CEO :

Bill Kennedy turned in expense and time report for Selectmen to review.

Roads:

- Andy Wickson stated that he hoped to get to the Valley Road by the end of the week with at least 10 loads of crushed gravel.
- Also stated that the Tree crew working on Black Mountain road, damaged the road and will be fixing at their expense.

Old Business:

- Marijuana moratorium draft is to be finished before next Select Board meeting. At this point we will then have an information meeting with the town about the Moratorium. Moratorium informational meeting to be set on or around May 9th, 2017. This will be an informational meeting only.

New Business:

Selectmen Edwin Hinshaw approved Three Year Mowing Bid for Bragg Masonry which will include the 15 Town cemeteries, the Town Beach on Labrador Pond, the Office Complex lawn and the two “Welcome” signs in East Sumner. This was second by Chairman MaryAnn Haxton, all in favor.

Selectmen Edwin Hinshaw suggested looking into Solar Energy for the Sumner Town Office. Are there any Solar Farm options, what would be the costs associated with it and what will this do for the town? What types of credits would be associated with Solar Energy?

FYI:

Discussed the Composts Week and the Maine Local Roads Center Work Zone Traffic Control Program, no response from Selectmen.

Upcoming Events:

Chairman, MaryAnn Haxton stated she would be attending the Budget Meeting on May 1st, 2017.

Submitted:

Approved:

Michelle Boucher
Deputy/Clerk/Secretary to the Select Board

SELECT BOARD MINUTES

March 28, 2017 7:00 PM - 9:07 PM

Attending: Chairman MaryAnn Haxton, Members Kelly Stewart, Edwin Hinshaw, Road Commissioner Andrew Wickson, Charles & Beth Maddaus, Clerk Susan Runes, Deputy Clerk/Secretary Michelle Boucher.

The Minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting were received. MaryAnn Haxton moved to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Edwin Hinshaw, all in favor

Warrant #19 the Select Board signed Checks 11975 - 12002 totaling \$47,918.25 were verified by MaryAnn Haxton.

Receipts 1697 -1728 \$40,453.75 were verified by Edwin Hinshaw

2016/2017 taxes collected YTD \$985,433.15 82% Tax Collected

2015/2016 taxes collected 82.5% at this time Last Year read and verified by MaryAnn

Open Session:

Reports received:

- Reviewed February Financial Statements
- Oxford County 2017 Budget Report reviewed by selectmen.
Planning Board meeting minutes from February 21st and March 21st 2017 which were reviewed by selectmen.
- Planning Board Quarterly Report reviewed by selectmen.
Applications for Homestead and Veterans exemptions to be reviewed and/or signed
For Map R15 Lot 022, Maureen Libby-Reviewed and signed Veterans exemption for Map R15 Lot 039-2, Robert Stewart by MaryAnn Haxton.
Tree Growth reviewed and signed for Tanya & Kai Vlahos-Map R15 Lot 041, George & Christl Vlahos, Map 15 Lot 041B, Paul Ackley Jr Map R9 Lot 012, and George Jones III Map R22 Lot 001 by MaryAnn Haxton.

CEO:

Roads:

Andy Wickson discussed that a new wing has been purchased for the grater. Also discussed to have an article to have the rock rake sold and funds put back into the roads budget. Discussed the River Road Bridge has to be removed due to DOT stating bridge may collapse And be a liability. Andy also suggest that the town add in the budget within the next 5 to 10 years funds for Future bridges due to other bridges being an issue in the future.

School Board:

Charles Maddaus started with thanking Emergency First Responders for responding the Chimney issue.

Discussed the RSU#10 roof renovation bond for Mountain Valley. 61% would be forgiven Interest free. Bond will be voted on in June.

March 15th, meeting new RSU#10 Board went from 17 directors for 12 towns to 13 directors For 7 towns. Charles Maddaus also informed RSU#10 buses would run an hour later for the First three weeks in April to make up for snow days.

Old Business:

- Discussed bid notices being sent out on March 8, 2017 for Bisbee-Dryer Complex plowing and Town Cemetery mowing.

- Edwin Hinshaw discussed the Marijuana Ordinances and how the town would like to proceed with stores, agriculture, etc. Would like to have standards set up for the town. Selectman would like more information gathered from different town ordinances to see the pros and cons. Would like to have a meeting with the town's people for information discussions on what they think about the ordinance. After information discussions, put information together for ordinance and have a town hearing.

New Business:

- Resignation of Planning Board Chairman Andrew Wickson. New Planning Board Chairman will be James McCarthy.
- Selectmen would like more information about the Mapping and GIS services and the costs associated with the service.

Discussed the RSU#10 Revolving Renovation Fund Application, had been sent in.

Selectmen looked over the Town of Sumner Invitation to Bid Removal of Sand to make sure no corrections were needed before being sent.

All 2014 tax liens have been paid without foreclosure.

The request for farmland certification withdrawal by Christopher Rooney was accepted.

FYI:

Briefly discussed Subsurface Wastewater and Internal Plumbing Basic Training, No comment from the selectmen.

Briefly discussed the Broadband meeting attended by MaryAnn Haxton

Discussed AVCOG Western Main Summit & General Assembly Meeting, no comment by the selectmen.

Special Thank you went out to John Roberts for Saturday morning's service of our Internet Service.

MaryAnn Haxton motioned to adjourn at 9:07 PM. Kelly Stewart seconded and all were in favor

Submitted:

Approved:

Michelle Boucher
Deputy Clerk/Secretary to the Select Board

SELECT BOARD MINUTES

February 28, 2017 7:00 - 8:54 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to M.R.S.A(6)(A) to conduct second interviews for job posting of Deputy Clerk/Secretary starting at 4:45 P.M Session ended at 6:41 P.M.

Attending: Chairman MaryAnn Haxton, Kelly Stewart, Edwin Hinshaw, Clerk Susan Runes, Secretary Sondra Bragg . Guests Brian Emmons and Terry Buck from TBUCK Construction, Greg McAlister from Calderwood Engineering, RSU#10 Board member Charles L. Maddaus, Craig Moore, April Payne, Brian Kangas, Walter Jasniewski and Heidi Linscott.

The Minutes of the February 14th, 2017 meeting were received. Kelly Stewart moved to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by MaryAnn Haxton, all in favor

Warrant #17 the Select Board signed Checks 11942 - 11956 totaling \$38,524.88 were verified by MaryAnn Haxton

Receipts 1638 -1666 \$32,982.78 were verified by Edwin Hinshaw

2016/2017 \$960,331.83 80% Tax Collected

2015/2016 taxes collected 81.25% at this time Last Year read and verified by MaryAnn

Haxton

Open Session:

- Brian Emmons and Terry Buck from TBUCK Construction briefly summarized Road project as straight forward job. Middle of June 2017 work will begin with time frame of 11 weeks to completion. Greg MacAlister and Alfred Lucas will be working with TBUCK during process of project. MaryAnn moved to accept and sign contract with Brian Emmons and Terry Buck for the Sumner Wash Bridge Culvert Replacement Project, seconded by Kelly, all in favor.
- Craig Moore-110 Arthur Allen Road-MAP R11-011A-Craig expressed frustration in regards to Road weight limits that were enforced by Road Commissioner Andrew Wickson. Andy stated that the ultimate decision in regards to weight limits on Town Roads is on the Towns Road Commissioner. Craig Moore had stated that he had been in contact with MaineDOT cop named James Degroot on 2/28/17. The Officer had sent Craig documentation that stated weight limit exemptions. MaryAnn stated that the Selectmen will review all documents submitted and further research into issue will be pursued. The issue will be revisited at a future meeting.

Reports received:

- Tree Growth application from Samuel E. Young & Pamela S. Cayouette-MAP R06-015-River Road-signed by Chairman MaryAnn Haxton.
- Official ballot for AVCOG Officers 2017 to be signed by Select Board-no comment from Selectmen.

CEO :

Roads:

- Weight limit notices have been posted to all Town Roads.
- Bradeen Road-gravel will need to be added soon.
- Memo from MaineDot-briefly reviewed with no comment from Select Board.

- Tuell Hill Rd-minimal potholes found, ditching and crowning worked well.
- Letter to Road Commissioner with pictures from MaineDOT in regards to weight limits of 10 tons of Road postings for River Road, Chandler and Andrews Bridges-Reviewed by the Selectmen & Andy. The Select Board agreed that if the State recommends an action we must comply to minimize the liability of the Town. Signs will be added to the suggested areas as soon as possible. Abutters, Residents and Town of Buckfield will be notified by the end of April.

School Board:

- Reapportionment committee to meet on Wednesday, March 15, 2017-Time and location to be determined. Communication will be sent when information has been received.
- Charlie discussed points of last meeting held on Monday, February 27,2017-Audit went well and less was spent than budgeted.
- Request for music teacher Megan Andrews for 2 year leave on her 3 year contract was approved at 2/27/17 meeting but was voted down at a prior vote.
- School Budget-March 3rd hearing-48 proposed changes by Governor Lepage. The district budget with changes recommended could be in the amount of \$300,000.00 to \$400,000.00.
- Mt Valley High School Roof-School renovation fund to pay for some of the repairs needed.
- RSU#10 will have a new website very soon.
- Charlie and the Selectmen reviewed letter sent to Sumner from the Town of Mexico Manager Jack Gaudet stating that the Town did not want to share services. MaryAnn stated that she would consider sending statement to support all options of cost sharing with School District, Kelly seconded, all in favor.

Old Business:

- Marijuana Ordinance-lawyers recommend that Towns should not do moratorium-1 year before laws have been actually set before issue must have ordinance written. All information in regards to Marijuana laws or general ordinance information will be forwarded to Selectmen.

New Business:

- Harbor Management and access grant application for review-Select Board will review at future meeting.
- MaryAnn stated that the position of Deputy Clerk/Secretary had been offered and accepted by candidate Michelle Boucher. Her starting date will be on Tuesday, March 7.
- Andy was asked by Susan in regards to Road budget for upcoming year-Andy stated that more money will need to be budgeted for 4 tires(cost of \$5,000.00) on grader. Amount to be budgeted in the amount of \$7,000.00. Maintenance was desperately needed to grader. Safety lights were not working. Andy stated that he would bring grader to W.A.Lucas Enterprises, LLC garage mechanic in attempt to fix light

FYI:

Submitted:

Michelle Boucher
Deputy Clerk/
Secretary to the Select Board

Approved:

SELECT BOARD MINUTES

February 14, 2017 7:06 - 8:54 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to M.R.S.A(6)(A) for job applicant interviews starting at 3:30 P.M. Ending time for session ended at 6:58 P.M.

Attending: Chairman MaryAnn Haxton, Members Kelly Stewart, Edwin Hinshaw, Road Commissioner Andrew Wickson, RSU #10 board member Charles Maddaus, Clerk Susan Runes, Secretary Sondra Bragg and Guests Heidi Linscott

The Minutes of the January 31st, 2017 meeting were received. Edwin Hinshaw moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Kelly Stewart, all in favor

Warrant #16 the Select Board signed Checks 11919 - 11941 totaling \$105,387.06 were verified by MaryAnn Haxton

Receipts 1590 -1637 \$95,342.11 were verified by Edwin Hinshaw

2016/2017 taxes collected \$948,797.59 79% Read and verified by MaryAnn Haxton

2015/2016 taxes collected 80% Read and verified by MaryAnn Haxton

Open Session:

Reports received:

- Community Concepts letter signed by Selectmen to support Self Help Homeownership Program which will provide assistance to low income families in the Oxford County areas.
- U.S Census Bureau Boundary & Annexation Survey-Kelly Stewart stated that there has been no reportable change in the Sumner area and there would be no need to take survey.

CEO:

Roads:

- Damon Road-the Town Office and Road Commissioner Andrew Wickson received several calls(3) on 2/14/17. The abutters had concerns of access of Road for Emergencies or other resident travel due to snow build up with requests to have snow pushed back of banks. More research will be done to clarify Towns liability on Public Easement Roads. 1 Option for abutters is to form a Road Association to meet for discussion and decisions in regards to funding & cost of maintaining Road. A public easement, meaning a right to use the land underlying the old road by members of the public to access land or water not otherwise connected to a public way. Under statutory abandonment, a presumption of abandonment arises if a municipality has not maintained the road for 30 years or more. Under statutory abandonment, a public easement is automatically retained.

School Board:

- Edwin stated that Deborah Litchfield has volunteered to be a citizen on reapportionment Committee.
- Charles stated that the RSU#10 meeting scheduled for 1/13/17 was cancelled due to inclement weather.
- RSU#10 Reapportionment Committee discussion with School Board Superintendent Deborah Alden-Deborah stated that she had wanted to introduce herself to all the Towns she represents and discuss future of regions education funding. Deborah expressed her concerns of RSU #10 as of July 1st, 2017 going from 12 to 7 Towns after recent withdrawals. Buckfield High School will have a satellite office which Deborah will be available 1 day a week. Charles Maddaus stated that the next meeting of School Board will be on Monday, February 27th at the Mt Valley High School.

Old Business:

- Discuss grant process to gain funds after Road project completion-MaryAnn stated that the Town is the provider that will communicate all construction documentation to Bill LaFlamme from Maine.gov.
- Confirmation e-mail will be sent Brian Emmons from TBUCK Construction and to Greg MacAlister from Calderwood Engineering to confirm attendance on 2/28/17 meeting to discuss Sumner Wash Bridge Culvert Replacement Project.
- Town General Assistance Account-currently overdrawn by \$700.00. Received reimbursement of \$1,400.00 from State. MaryAnn stated that she will follow up with pending disability reimbursement.
- Sand & Salt Shed-\$3,000.00 for lighting and \$1,400.00 for power to building.
- Winter Roads-\$45,000.00 spent on recent salt purchase. Overdrawn on sand in amount of \$15,750.00.

New Business:

- Purchase of Town Cemetery Fund stocks by Oxford Networks-1500 shares which paid out yearly dividend to Town in amount of \$480.00. Town received check from Bangor Savings in amount of \$8,500.00. Elmwood & Pleasant Pond Cemetery Associations will be contacted to discuss and sign agreement to finalize pay out of \$560.00 to each Association from stocks. Remainder of \$7,380.00 will go to Town Cemetery maintenance fund.
- 2014 Tax Lien maturation notices sent out on February 6th- Deadline to pay liens is March 22nd, 2017. Out of 27 property liens only 19 liens remain. Susan stated that sending out a pre-maturation notice has been very effective and has had positive response.
- Deputy Clerk/Secretary job opening-1 person cannot be met for future interview-Select Board will move forward with 4 applicants interviewed today(2/14/17). 2nd interviews to be held on President's Day on Monday, February 20th, 2017. Position will be filled by the end of March.

FYI:

- Oxford County Elder Abuse Task Force meeting-Wednesday, February 15,2017 at 3:30 P.M.-No comment from Selectmen

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Meeting with MaineDOT representative Janet Damren on Thursday, March 9th at 6:00 P.M with Sumner & Hartford Select Board & Road Commissioners for discussion of Heald & Fields Bridge Road projects to be held at the Sumner Town Office.

MaryAnn Haxton motioned to adjourn at 8:54 PM, seconded by Kelly Stewart and all were in favor

Submitted:

Approved:

Sondra Bragg
Secretary to the Select Board

SELECT BOARD MINUTES

January 31, 2017 7:01 - 8:54 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to M.R.S.A.405(6)(A) for interview of new Planning Board Members in session starting at 6:30 P.M. and adjourned by MaryAnn Haxton at 7:00 P.M.

Attending: Chairman MaryAnn Haxton, Edwin Hinshaw, Road Commissioner Andrew Wickson, Clerk Susan Runes, and Secretary Sondra Bragg . Guests Walter Jasniewski, RSU#10 member Charles L. Maddaus, Beth Maddaus, Larry O'Rourke and John Allen were present for executive session. Kelly Stewart was not present.

The Minutes of the January 10th, 2017 meeting were received. MaryAnn Haxton moved to approve the minutes as corrected to read 2nd & 4th Tuesday meetings held for Select Board, seconded by Edwin Hinshaw, all in favor

Warrant #14 the Select Board signed on 1/25/17 Checks 11897 - 11916 totaling \$46,839.59 were verified by Edwin Hinshaw

Warrant #15 to signed on 1/31/17 Checks 11917-11918 for \$1,352.80 were verified by Edwin Hinshaw
Receipts 1570 -1589 \$42,196.82 were verified by MaryAnn Haxton
2016/2017 \$889,905.07 74% Tax Collected
2015/2016 taxes collected 75.5% at this time Last Year read and verified by MaryAnn

Haxton

Open Session:

- Walter Jasniewski expressed concerns in regards to the skim coat on Route 219/Main Street. The Select Board and Road Commissioner stated that the State is aware of the issue and work to complete the Roads will resume in the Spring. Edwin stated that proof needs to be communicated in the paper that the completion date of project ran into bad weather.
- Charles Maddaus spoke in regards to the RSU#10 Reapportion committee-3 people from Sumner needed-1 RSU#10 Member, 1 Elected Official & a citizen. Edwin Hinshaw

Reports received:

- General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-D-signed by Selectmen.
- Buckfield/Sumner Solid Waste & Recycling reports for period of 7-1-16 through 12-31-16- Reviewed with no comment by Select Board.
- MaryAnn moves to appoint new Planning Board members John Allen and Larry O'Rourke , seconded by Edwin, all in favor. Appointment signed by Select Board. MaryAnn motioned to appoint Clerk Susan Runes as Registrar of voters, seconded by Edwin, all in favor. appointment signed by Selectmen.
- Applications for Homestead and Veterans exemptions to be reviewed and/or signed for MAP R15-022 for Larry M. Casey-Reviewed and signed Veterans exemption by Chairman MaryAnn Haxton.
- Tree Growth application from Robert E. Marstaller MAP R20-017-Redding Rd-reviewed and signed by Chairman MaryAnn Haxton.
- 2017 U.S Census Bureau Update form-Reviewed and signed by MaryAnn Haxton.

CEO :

- Andy stated that the meeting with the Planning Board and CEO/LPI William Kennedy to discuss pending items went well. More discussion of pending items on 2/21/17 PB meeting.

Roads:

- Andy stated that have been 25 storm events as of today. Ice & freezing rain prior to storms and during long events has been challenging. The pretreatment of Roads has been effective and salt consumption has been higher as a result. Andy suggested that more salt be added to budget going forward and sand is not as crucial but more may be needed soon as well. Posters on sand & salt shed will be up soon-all lights have been added to shed.
- Sumner Wash Bridge grant process-MaryAnn stated that the invoices need to be sent from the provider to the State and she will contact Bill LaFlamme in regards to more information of process to go forward.
- Tuell Hill & Redding Rd: request from Walter Jasniewski in regards to more discussion of Maine Revised Statute Title 23-subchapter 801 State Highway Law-which states that Municipal Officers may petition the State Department to consider Roads in their jurisdiction as State Aid Roads to assist in funding maintenance. MaryAnn stated that the Selectmen will review the information and add to agenda in a future meeting for further discussion.
- Memo and maps from MaineDOT in regards to Sumner Heald Bridge and Fields Bridge detailing Road projects-Will have further review at meeting with MaineDOT Representative Janet Damren on Thursday, March 9th, 2017 at 6:00 P.M at the Sumner Town Office.

School Board:

- Charles Maddaus spoke in regards to the RSU#10 Reapportionment committee-3 people from Sumner needed-1 RSU#10 Member, 1 Elected Official & 1 citizen. Edwin Hinshaw chose to volunteer as the Elected Official. Will scout for citizen volunteers will begin via Town Website, phone and mass e-mail. Suggested names for citizens were Diana Tolman, Mary Standard, Susan Litchfield, Debbie Litchfield, Kay Herbert & Frances Babb.
- School Superintendent Deb Alden will be present at Selectmen meeting of Feb. 14th, 2017 to discuss reapportion committee.
- Towns in RSU#10 will have to share responsibilities and be flexible-Charlie stated that he has joined the School Finance & Curriculum committee and will report information to Selectmen as it is received.

Old Business:

- Job Opening-7 applicants-Reviewed by Selectmen. Edwin moved to interview 6 out of the 7, seconded by MaryAnn, all in favor-Invitations for Preliminary interviews to be held at the Town Office on 2/14/17 from 3:30-7:00 P.M in half hour sessions. arrangements will be made if applicant cannot meet at this date and time. Letter, phone calls & e-mails with details with more broad view of position will be sent to applicants to confirm interviews.

New Business:

- Marijuana Moratorium was discussed-Wait and see what the State will do 1st. no moratorium will be necessary at this time. Edwin stated that small Towns must have its own Ordinance and will be in contact with AVCOG Representative John Maloney.

FYI:

- No comment from Selectmen about 2017 Spirit of America memo from Bruce Flaherty.

Edwin moved to adjourn at 8:54, seconded by MaryAnn, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sondra Bragg
Secretary to the Select Board

Approved:

SELECT BOARD MINUTES

January 10, 2017 7:30 - 8:40 PM

Attending: Chairman MaryAnn Haxton, Members Kelly Stewart, Edwin Hinshaw, Clerk Susan Runes, Secretary Sondra Bragg . Guests Francine Babb, Joel Babb, Bob Runes, Thomas Standard, Mary Standard, RSU #10 Board Member Charles Maddaus, James McCarthy, Joseph Glass, and CEO/LPI William Kennedy.

The Minutes of the December 13th, 2016 meeting were received. MaryAnn Haxton moved to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Kelly Stewart, all in favor

Warrant #13 the Select Board signed January 10th Checks 11877 - 11896 totaling \$85,452.25 were verified by Kelly Stewart

Receipts 1550 -1569 \$37,832.11 were verified by Edwin Hinshaw

2016/2017 taxes collected YTD \$858,700.20 71.5% , Last year at this time 71.5%

Read and verified by MaryAnn Haxton

Open Session:

- CEO/LPI William Kennedy-William stated that he works 4-5 during winter and 10-12 hours in summer for Town of Hartford. No more than 6-7 hours per week to be expected to be working in Summer. William stated that he will not be long term and the Town should look for more permanent CEO/LPI. Current budget for Town CEO stipend is \$2,200.00 & LPI \$1,320.00. William will be paid mileage at current IRS rate of 54 cents a mile for travel with hourly rate for CEO/LPI \$17.40. The selectmen will review budget process for money allocated to CEO/LPI stipends going forward. William will meet with Selectmen & Planning Board(Shoreland Zoning) every other month. Selectmen are interested in finding out more information on Town Hartford processes.
- William stated that he would pursue Junkyard issues in conjunction with a Town attorney, if there are violations that are not rectified promptly after verbal warning or violation letter is submitted. William will look into possible contacts for other CEO/LPI.
- MaryAnn moves to approve Letter of Agreement between the Selectmen & William Kennedy, seconded by Kelly, all in favor. Letter has been signed and filed.
- Charles Maddaus would like to make 3 points in regards to RSU#10-The 1st is the meeting for RSU#10 in December stated that a new Board will be in place due to reconfiguration as of July 1st. All Town Offices will be contacted to meet with the School Board with 3 people from each Town, 1 Selectmen, 1 School Board member & 1 citizen. 2-School Superintendent would like to meet with Selectmen-Kelly stated the dates for meetings were the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month and could decide the date. 3rd is we need to create a stabile School district.

Reports received:

- Reviewed Planning Board Quarterly Report-Selectmen reviewed pending notifications. MaryAnn stated that the current open basis CEO William Kennedy will need to have pending jobs forwarded for completion and meet with CEO Sidney Abbott to go over history of Town.

CEO:

- Letter will be drafted by Kelly Stewart to previous CEO/LPI Sidney Abbott stating that all pending documentation be returned to Town Office for review and completion.

Roads:

- For all Road issues please call Road Commissioner Andy Wickson directly at 515-1124. The information will then be forwarded to W.A. Lucas Enterprises, LLC.
- Sanding concerns for Arthur Allen & Hadley Roads were addressed and treated promptly. Ice on Roads has been more challenging to maintain.

School Board:

Old Business:

New Business:

- Kelly stated that there are concerns in regards to the Town Volunteer Fire Department having several calls as 1st responders and emergency calls to Buckfield. Issue will be handled between Fire Chiefs.
- Concerns of State General Assistance programs being eliminated were expressed by the Selectmen-additional discussion will be needed if program is terminated.

FYI:

- MMA newsletter briefly reviewed by Selectmen with no comment.
- Invitation to Selectmen to the Sixth Annual Oxford Hills Tech challenges on Tuesday, January 17th- no comment from Selectmen.

MaryAnn Haxton motioned to adjourn at 8:40 PM. Kelly Stewart seconded and all were in favor

Submitted:

Sondra Bragg
Secretary to the Select Board

Approved:
