

Town of Mendon

Selectboard

December 18, 2017

Members of the Selectboard present: Geoff Wells, Scott Bradley

Town Officers and employees present: Sara Tully, Town Administrator, Phil Douglas, Constable

Residents and Visitors present: None

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM at the Town Office.

Additions/deletions to the Agenda: Motion by G. Wells to approve the agenda with the addition of the Open Meeting Law and Town Office Calendar. Seconded by S. Bradley. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters

Selectmen's Orders approved and signed.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by G. Wells to approve the minutes of 12/11/17. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The motion passed unanimously.

Business:

Reappraisal Bids The Selectboard requested proposals to conduct a town-wide reappraisal for the 2020 Grand List. The request was sent to the approved list of appraisers for the State of Vermont Department of Property Valuation and Review. S. Tully and N. Gondella have reviewed the results and submitted a summary to the Selectboard highlighting various questions to be clarified. No decision made. The Selectboard will look for more information from the appraisal firms.

Budget 2018-2019 The Selectboard reviewed and commented on the 2018-2019 budget. S. Tully presented the timeline of the reserve funds. The Selectboard will approve the budget in January for inclusion in the Town Report.

Recreation Committee S. Tully reported that the recreation committee has not been active since 2015. Liam Fracht-Monroe and Chad Galiano have expressed interest in serving on the committee. S. Tully will reach out to the remaining members to see if they want to continue on the committee. There are multiple changes in the budget regarding recreation as a result of hiring a full time employee to work in the Highway Department as well as on Building and Grounds Maintenance. S. Tully will update the committee members and report back at the next meeting.

Open Meeting Law S. Tully reported that all Boards and Committees appointed by the Selectboard must follow the Open Meeting Law. This would include the newly formed Mendon Economic Development Committee, the Recreation Committee, and the Planning Commission. The Selectboard

has adopted a policy as to how the Town of Mendon will meet the posting requirements of the Open Meeting Law. S. Tully will send the policy to the multiple participants on these boards.

Town Office Calendar The Planning Commission has rescheduled their meeting to conflict with the Selectboard Meeting on January 8th. Both meeting must be ADA compliant and therefore one of the boards can not meet in the upstairs conference room. The Selectboard agreed to reschedule their meeting to meet at 8:30 AM on January 8th and the Planning Commission will meet at 5:15 PM. All meetings should be scheduled with the Town Clerk to be sure the conference room is available.

There being no further business, G. Wells moved to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 7:35 PM. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Date approved _____

Geoff Wells

Sara Tully, Selectboard Clerk

Scott Bradley