

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

March 17, 2014

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Susan Hansel, Maury Collins, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others Attending: Sandy MacKenzie, Mary Cornog, Michael Cornog, Karen Tolman, Ralph Castor

The meeting was opened at 3:02 PM by Chair David Upton.

Sandy MacKenzie, representing the Friends of Nelson Town Buildings, came before the Board to offer \$82,900 in pledges to the Town of Nelson to be used to offset the costs of the Town Hall and Library Lower Level building projects.

David made a motion to gratefully accept the pledges for the uses designated.

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

David began a review of budget development and the work of the Town Office. Board members, the Administrative Assistant, as well as the audience attendees took part in the discussion.

Several rules of municipal budget law were detailed that some audience members had not been aware of. It was a positive exchange of information and understanding.

In addition, details of the major work load due to the Town mapping project were presented.

With nearly two thirds of all Town properties noting acreage changes and dozens of full challenges being presented to the mappers, plus a looming 1 year deadline to complete the challenges, so as not to incur further costs, there was extreme pressure to complete that phase of the work.

Remaining phases of the work include current use status due to acreage changes. In some cases additional applications for current use will be required, in other cases current use status will be lost and need to be processed for withdrawal from the registry of deeds. (Land Use Change Report)

In more extreme cases, such as land owners who were informed that they do not own land in Nelson at all, further legal documentation will be required to resolve those issues.

Susan advised the Board that there are two openings on the Conservation Commission that need to be filled.

With nothing further, David made a motion to adjourn.

Susan seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:04 P.M.

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David Upton, Chair

Maury Collins

Susan Hansel