

Town of Nelson Selectmen's Meeting

March 22, 2017

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Gary Robinson, Maury Collins, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others attending: Richard Pratt, Wayne Kassotis

At 3:05 PM David Upton opened the March 22, 2017 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

● David made a motion to approve the minutes for March 17, 2017

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Gary made a motion to approve the manifest for March 22, 2017.

David seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve a letter to NH Governor Chris Sununu regarding his lack of support for town moderators who wished to postpone voting day (March 14, 2017).

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve a letter to NH Governor Chris Sununu requesting that action be taken to clear New Hampshire of the claims of voter fraud. It is requested that a thorough investigation be conducted and if found baseless that the administration be called upon to retract the claims.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Richard Pratt and Wayne Kassotis came before the Board to discuss emergency repairs to the cruisers, a purchase request for office supplies and the possibility of hiring 1 certified officer and to sponsor 1 individual to attend the Police Academy to become certified.

R. Pratt reported on the status of emergency repairs to the brakes on both cruisers due to "Mud" damage and also presented a purchase request for office supplies.

David made a motion to approve the Purchase Request for Office supplies.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

The first step before hiring new officers will be to conduct background checks before any applicant is to be considered for a position.

David made a motion to approve moving forward with the background checks for two applicants.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Gary made a motion to approve two purchase requests for the Fire Department. 1. Radio accessories
2. Replacement fuses

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. 1. PR # 173221 2. PR # 173222

- David made a motion to approve payroll amounts submitted by the Fire Warden for a brush fire on Taylor Mill/Granite Lake Rd.
Gary seconded.
The motion carried 3-0.
- Following a review of submitted plans, David made a motion to approve a building permit for Eric Marean for the construction of a mudroom on their existing house.
Maury seconded.
The motion carried 3-0.
- David made a motion to approve a building permit for Beau Gillespie for the construction of a studio on an existing footprint.
Maury seconded.
The motion carried 3-0
- The Board discussed options for replacing the flag that was shredded during the blizzard on 3/14/2017 and is now tangled on top of the flagpole at the Town Hall. With the rope snapped, the flag pole must come down to be cleared or a bucket truck or tree service crane will be needed. The Board agreed that a price quote should be sought.
- David reported that the Town Buildings Committee will be meeting with the department heads at the safety building to view the areas needing Fire wall upgrades to meet Fire Code compliance. David requested that plans for the relocation of the fueling station also be available for review by the Town Buildings Committee that evening.
David also requested that Jerry Tepe be contacted regarding the plans for the Fire Wall project.
- Maury agreed to contact Bart Cushing to set up a meeting with the Selectmen on April 5, 2017 to discuss all aspects of a new well.
It was agreed that this will go out for bid but it was noted that when conducting the initial research Mr. Cushing took the most time to cover details and potential concerns regarding well placement in the village area of Nelson and provided a budgetary quote. Other potential bidders declined to give a quote until funding became available.
- Other topics briefly discussed with no action taken included future energy conservation projects, Municipal Civics classes, and Gary reported that the data reporting system for the solar installation is not working properly. This will require further investigation.

Non-Public Session:

At 4:44 PM David made a motion to move into Non-Public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (a&c) Personnel and Harm to reputation.

Gary seconded.

The motion then carried by a roll call vote 3-0. Gary – yes, Maury – yes, David – yes.

*** The Board discussed two personnel issues and a plan for addressing the matters.**

Due to the sensitive nature of the issues,

David made a motion to seal the minutes.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote of 3-0. Gary – yes, Maury – yes, David – yes.

David then made a motion to return to public session.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote of 3-0. Gary – yes, Maury – yes, David – yes. 5:00 PM

● With nothing further, Maury made a motion to adjourn.

David seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. 5:02 PM

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David Upton, Chair

Maury Collins, Selectman

Gary Robinson, Selectman