

August 3, 2015 Selectboard Meeting

Selectmen present: Gordon Richardson, Mary O'Brien, Tom White, Martha McGlinn, and Matt Peeler
Town Manager: Bob Stacey

Public present: Jaxon Morgan, Rachel Williams, Tony Marquis (Vermont Standard), Mike French, Alyssa Brewer, Mary Ann Postans

Approved 6/15/2015 minutes.

Signed orders.

Old Business:

1. Non-smoking policy for public grounds: Rachel Williams spoke again about creating a policy prohibiting smoking on town property, at the Rec Center and the adjoining Foster Meadows, at the North Hartland School playground and at the Activity Center. The details of signage need to be determined. Rachel will draft a sample policy and bring examples of signage. Mt. Ascutney Prevention Partnership will pay for any required signs.

New Business:

1. Tax sales: Bob spoke to Rob Manby about the procedure followed for tax sales. All lien holders must be located, advertise in the paper, property goes up to bid. The Board approved the going rate of 15 percent charged by the attorneys which will be added to each property sold at tax sale.

2. Telephone system: The phone system at Damon Hall needs to be replaced. The lower bid came from Upper Valley Communications. This expenditure was included in the budget.

3. Reviewed FY2015 Financials.

4. Campbell/Merritt Fund request: approved request for \$335 for help with an electric bill, pending a home visit by Bob Stacey.

5. Deb Olmstead has been hired as an Administrative Assistant to work with Carolyn and eventually replace her when Carolyn retires in January 2016.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 8, 2015, at 5:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Martha McGlinn, Clerk