

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday March 19, 2019 7:00pm

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 in the selectmen's conference room.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Evan Brunetti, Selectman Rick Fowler.

Attendees: Jackie Stoughton – Republican American, Allan Innes - Resident

Call to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Fowler made a motion to approve the previous minutes. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Appointments and Resignations

None at this time.

Public Participation

Mr. Innes had a question about creating the Ad-hoc committee for the solar project he was interested in for a solar farm. He expressed that there was no response for becoming a member from either party to be a member of the committee. Mr. Fowler stated that there are individuals that are interested and he believes the winter weather may have had something to do with the lack of response. Mr. Fowler suggested that Mr. Innes contact the Recycling Coordinator for information on solar companies to contact with specific questions. Mr. Innes inquired about transfer stations and if there is land available for that purpose. Mr. Criss informed him that there are not any here as well as any viable land available to the town at this time.

Mr. Innes also asked about the sale of the Wilcox Property and was concerned about pesticides and water use for the hops farm. Mr. Criss stated that when the owners apply for permits with various departments that will be a good time to raise questions and concerns at those public hearings.

New Business:

Request for Tax Refunds – Mr. Brunetti made a motion to approve tax refunds. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. .

Budget – Mr. Criss shared that he has been going to the Board of Finance meetings and there have been no changes to the proposed budget. All one thousands (1,000s) the municipal buildings and the highway department have been approved. The last thing they have is emergency services and contractual obligations which are capital parts of the budget. Mr. Criss had a preliminary conversation with the BOF about the social service line in the budget and will address it again at the March 14th meeting.

First Selectman's Report – Mr. Criss reminded the selectmen of the free NARCAN training at the EMS building on Wednesday March 27, 2019.

Mr. Criss also shared a draft of the inter-local agreement for the SRO program to dually swear with the town of Burlington for Region 10; this inter-local agreement was approved at a town meeting.

Mr. Criss also shared a copy of the lease agreement for the Bronc Callahan Community Fund use of the town garages for can/bottle disposal. Atty. Rybak gave two options: 1) a license to use, 2) a lease agreement; either way it has to go to town meeting. The licensing continues to give us the ability continue to use the garage for town purposes and gives BCCF the right to utilize the space (the town can revoke that at any time). The lease agreement is more of a process and may be the better idea since the town doesn't really have need of the space that they are using.

Correspondence – A letter was received from the Inland Wetlands and Zoning Commission. They want to purchase a cell phone for the new Zoning Enforcement Officer, Troy Lamere, using both budgets to pay for it. The money in those lines is ear marked for conferences not for a cell phone there will be monthly charges for the purchase of the phone. This position has never had its own cell phone. Mr. Criss tabled this until there is more of a plan in place before it is sent to the BOF.

There was a boiler issue at the Senior Center. Dave Bousquet, the Highway Supervisor, obtained three (3) bids and is requesting for a new boiler for the Senior Center. Mr. Brunetti made a motion to have the Board of Finance approve an amount not to exceed \$6,880 which includes a contingency of 15% for the boiler for the Senior Center. Mr. Fowler seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Adjournment – Mr. Fowler made a motion to adjourn at 7:40 pm. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Minutes submitted by _____
First Selectman's Office

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Janet Boyan