

**Town of Woodstock
Selectmen's Meeting
Tuesday, November 1, 2016**

Selectmen: Gil Rand, Joel Bourassa, Jim Fadden Jr.

Staff: Judy Welch, Mike Welch, Ryan Oleson, John MacKay

Public: Patrick Griffin

Gil called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Public Participation:

Chief John MacKay/Roof Replacement/Main Firehouse Roof:

Chief MacKay questioned the plan to replace the main firehouse roof. The Board explained that they put an RFP out and did not receive any bids. The Board is in the process of trying to find someone to hire.

Minutes of the October 4, 2016 Meeting:

Jim motioned to accept the minutes of the October 4, 2016 Selectmen's Meeting. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the October 12, 2016 Workshop:

Joel motioned to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2016 Selectmen's Workshop. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the October 12, 2016 Joint Select Board Meeting:

Joel motioned to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2016 Joint Select Board Meeting. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the October 18, 2016 Meeting:

Jim motioned to accept the minutes of the October 18, 2016 Selectmen's Meeting. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Budgets:

The Board reviewed budgets and equipment replacement schedules for police, emergency management, fire, ambulance, highway, water, sewer, cemetery, and parks.

Jim motioned to approve budgets as presented for emergency management, fire, ambulance, sewer, cemetery, and parks. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Jim motioned to decrease the part-time line item in the police budget by \$3,800.00, to reduce the sidewalk capital outlay line item in the highway budget by \$17,500, and to remove the generator capital outlay line item from the water budget to decrease the overall water budget by \$38,000. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Water Bill Rate/Debt Purposes:

Discussion was held concerning the increase in the water budget due to the million dollars in debt brought on in 2015 to replace the waterline and water meters. Jim motioned to increase the base rate for water usage \$45.00 annually. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Water/Hobo Railroad/Tap Fees/Rate:

Jim presented the Board with the estimated cost to connect the Hobo Railroad to the municipal water system.

Based off this information Jim motioned to charge a \$6000.00 connection tap fee, a fee of \$24,000.00 for up to 5 million gallons of water, and a rate of .0048 for any gallons over. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Application/Sewer Service/Bringola:

The Board reviewed an application submitted by Thomas Bringola to connect 29 Hiltz Drive to the municipal sewer system. Joel motioned to approve the application as submitted. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Check Request/Woodstock Firefighter Fund:

Joel motioned to approve the check requests for \$775.00 payable to Rocks Christmas Tree Farm, for the wreath fundraiser and for \$300.00 payable to Mark Wiggett, for a retirement gift. This money is to be withdrawn from the Woodstock Firefighter Capital Reserve Fund. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Northern Pass/Pre-Filed Testimony:

The Board reviewed pre-filed testimony documentation provided by the town attorney. The Board also reviewed the substantial amount of money spent in legal fees to fight Northern Pass. Joel motioned to discontinue the Town of Woodstock's representation with mitigation in regards to Northern Pass. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Application/Cascade Park/Yuscavitch/September 9, 2017:

The Board reviewed an application from Jessica Yuscavitch to use Cascade Park on September 9, 2017 for a wedding ceremony. The required fee and insurance coverage has not been received as of yet. Gil motioned to table the approval of this application until proof of insurance and required fees are received. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Old Business:

Building Permit Process:

No Action Taken.

Boston Post Cane:

Gil motioned to present the Boston Post Cane to Judith Mulleavey the oldest known resident in Woodstock. Jim seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

New Business:

The Board reviewed the final 2016 Tax Rate Breakdown prepared by the Department of Revenue.

Judy presented the Board with an updated 2016 Selectmen's Schedule and the 2016-2017 Budget Committee Schedule.

Jim motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 8:32 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

MOTION:

At 8:32 PM a motion was made and seconded to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II (e)

Roll Call: Chairman, Gil Rand, Yes, Joel Bourassa, Yes, Jim Fadden, Yes, Executive Assistant, Judy Welch,

At 8:46 PM, the Board came out of non-public session. Jim motioned to adjourn the non-public session and seal the minutes. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

VOTED 3-0

Discussion was held concerning employee raises. Jim motioned to give a 3% pay increase to all employees. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Jim motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 8:58 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

November 15, 2016

Joel B.
Gil Kelly.