

**Town of Webster
Office of Select Board
945 Battle Street/Rte. 127
Webster, NH 03303**

Select Board Meeting – February 4, 2015 – 4:00 pm Wednesday. The 2/2/15 meeting was cancelled due to the snowstorm.

Select Board present: Chairman Roy Fanjoy and Selectman Roger Becker. Selectman Johnson was absent.

The Select Board signed the payroll and check manifests.

6:30 pm Police Chief Robert Dupuis presented or advised the Board of the following:

- 57 calls for service in the last two weeks with highlights read.
- The Board approved the requested vacation leave for Officer Daniel Shapiro from 4/27/15 to 5/3/15.
- Chief Dupuis once again visited 433 Deer Meadow Road, explaining to the Board the number of vehicles, when the registrations expire, etc. He was made aware that some of the vehicles are on a vacant lot, which is property owned by another. He will send a letter to the owner of the vacant lot regarding possible violation of the junk yard statute.
- He has been unable to contact the owner of 874 Battle Street to date, but will continue to try. He will update Selectman Johnson of progress.

The Board signed the following for Administrative Assistant Judith Jones:

- Selectman Becker made a motion to accept the 1/19/15 Select Board minutes as written; seconded by Chairman Fanjoy and approved.
- Chairman Fanjoy made a motion to accept the 1/19/15 Select Board work session minutes as written; seconded by Selectman Becker and approved.
- DRED application information will be discussed at the next meeting.
- The Board signed the appointment sheet for Patricia Ilacqua as Planning Board Alternate until 2017.
- The Board noted a request for information regarding a copy of attorney correspondence to the Board. The NH Municipal Association advised that this was exempt under RSA 91-A:5 as attorney/client confidentiality. Mrs. Jones will send a letter to advise the requesting party.
- A Petition Article was received by Chairman Fanjoy on 2/3/15 with the required number of registered voter signatures. It was read and additional information relative to the petition was provided by Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham, who gave scenarios of how the request could be handled, noting that if approved it would not go into effect until 2016. She recommended that the Board and other election officials read the articles in the latest printed Town and City magazine relative to Town Meetings as it was very informative.
- Signed a sick leave slip for Mrs. Jones.

Road Agent Emmett Bean discussed or advised the Board of the following:

- The upcoming posting of roads. Discussion ensued. It was decided to draft up a post card notice to be reviewed. Chief Dupuis advised that his policy will be to summons violators and send them back the way they came. Mr. Bean advised that permits will be for emergency purposes only. He also noted that issuing permits was very time consuming. The Road Closure Policy already in place was noted. Selectman Becker recommended that the policy under which the road closure policy will operate should go to the Town's attorney for an opinion. Chief Dupuis will write a draft regarding this by the next meeting.
- Mr. Bean advised that he needs more sand and salt at this time. Mrs. Pinkham will order the salt.

Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham presented or advised the Board of the following:

- PO #4 for the TH to AmSan for 3 five-gallon containers of floor finish in the amount of \$291.78
- The December Bank Reconciliation was signed.
- Discussed the possibility of a tax credit for non-profit organizations for payment towards health insurance costs, which she will research further as well as check with the auditors on this subject.

- Discussed pending legislation relative to the NH Retirement System, which may have negative monetary implications for municipalities if the bill passes.
- An e-mail from Selectman Johnson as a member of the Energy Committee for a possible warrant article for 2015 was discussed. No decisions were made.
- Earlier today she discussed with Mainstay representative Eric Shanley offsite backup and costs. No decision was made. Mrs. Pinkham will put the information she has in a memo for future review.

Cemetery Commissioner Brenda Silver recommended putting a permanently locked gate on the Pleasant Street side of the Corser Hill Cemetery. Complaints had been received regarding disrespectful use of the cemetery. Mrs. Silver had received a complaint regarding the regulations in place for closing of the cemetery on December 1st or by the first snowfall. She will no longer make exceptions to this rule.

Mrs. Jones shared the response she had from Jennifer Rockett, contact for the Army Corps of Engineers for the Blackwater Dam, regarding the flow of the dam. Ms. Rockett had met on 4/3/12 with the Conservation Commission regarding erosion issues but would be willing to meet with the Board if desired. No decisions were made.

The Public Hearing for the 2015 Budget is scheduled for February 10, 2015 at 6:30 pm. Selectman Becker advised that he will be unable to attend.

The next regular Select Board Meeting will be Tuesday, February 17, 2015 due to the President's Day Holiday.

5:15 pm Selectman Becker made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Chairman Fanjoy and approved.

Roy E. Fanjoy
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Roger A. Becker