TOWN OF WILTON SELECTMEN'S MINUTES WILTON FIRE STATION

Date:

February 12, 2018

Time:

6:30 P.M.

Place:

Fire Station

Present:

Chairman William F. Condra, Selectwoman Kellie-Sue Boissonnault and Selectman Kermit

R. Williams. Town Administrator Scott Butcher. Recording Secretary Pamela Atwood.

Chairman Condra called the meeting to order at 6:33 P.M.

The first order of business was the Sewer Commissioners to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding (MPO). Selectwoman Boissonnault asked if Sewer Commission Chairman Chris Carter if he had any questions. Chris asked if the Select Board had reviewed their letter. He asked about "Fees and Interest" on the MOU. Selectwoman Boissonnault explained the 2% interest fee that was discussed in December. Town Administrator Scott Butcher said it was part of the MOU because they haven't settled on it. More formal for remaining years and it would include more specific fees. Selectwoman Boissonnault said we can put in a specific amount of interest. Chris Carter wants it drafted by legal counsel. Selectwoman Boissonnault said a longer contract would have to go to Town Meeting. Sewer Commissioner Tracey Ewing does not like having the MOU without the details of a contract. Selectwoman Boissonnault said they would fill it in after the Commission reviewed it. Chris said they would forward to their legal counsel. Chris said that they agree on the Understanding, but want to see the 2%, the date of payment expected, and remove the reasonable fees wording. Tracey Ewing said the Commission has had no response from the last meeting regarding the no confidence letter, and now this, an hour before the meeting and it's not what you said it would be. Selectwoman Boissonnault said they are waiting for the new DPW Director before talking about the garage space. Sewer Commissioner Tim Mortvedt said the vote of no confidence was in November. Chairman Condra said the Select Board will discuss it among themselves. Chris Carter asked for a final copy of the MOU so they can send it to their attorney. Chairman Condra said they need collaboration.

Motion: Chairman Condra moved, seconded by Selectwoman Boissonnault to table this item to a future date. Motion carries 3, 0. The Sewer Commission was told to have their attorney review it and get back to Scott Butcher.

Public Comment

Harry Dailey reminded the Board of the Budget Committee's public hearing on Thursday at 7:00 P.M.

Change to Select Board on signage

Selectwoman Boissonnault spoke about changing the reference of "Selectmen's Office" to "Select Board Office". She said RSA 21:28 supports this.

Motion: Selectwoman Boissonnault moved, seconded by Selectman Williams to change the reference of our office to be Select Board Office, to be gender neutral. Chairman Condra said it is a political correction action that is not necessary; it has be enshrined for 200 years. He thinks Selectmen's Office should prevail. Selectman Williams referred to the recent change in 2008 saying the term doesn't refer only to males; it's not a sexist term, it's historical. Selectwoman Boissonnault said she had made it known that the term "Selectman" didn't bother her but it does not empower our young women to move forward; we owe it to

the next generation, she said. Chairman Condra asked what they would be changing; the signs or reference to Board of Selectmen? After further discussion Selectman Williams said he was also confused on the vote, whether it was wording on one sign or how the Select Board is referred to. There was further discussion before the following vote was taken: Vote; Selectwoman Boissonnault, aye, Selectman Williams, nay; Chairman Condra, nay. Motion fails.

Town Report

Town Clerk Jane Farrell was next on the agenda to discuss the Town Report. Pictures for the Town Report were discussed and Jane showed the Board the pictures she had for their selection. The Board made their selections.

Courtroom status

Selectwoman Boissonnault asked Jane Farrell to stay for the discussion about the Courtroom being cleaned out before elections. She asked if the Department Heads had been notified. Jane said the Trustees know the deadline. She has told the board to go through stuff and find out what they need for storage. Michele is working on Planning Board files. Water and Sewer are small amounts. Tracey Ewing said Sewer is done. Kermit spoke about the Water files. Selectwoman Boissonnault said we need an action plan. Selectman Williams said he is disappointed and concerned. May have to get it out before the election; we need a more aggressive plan; he mentioned voting booths and machines, and voting boxes. Selectwoman Boissonnault said it was putting the cart before the horse when everything was brought back from storage. It should have been brought back manageably. Jane said it looks worse than it is. Selectman Williams said Jane brought it back because it was impossible to tell what was there. He pointed to Pam and Scott and said it was on them. Scott said he had the Courtroom empty, and not once was an item needed from storage. After the elections the stuff could have been brought back, or the elections could be held at the school. We had inexpensive storage; this could have waited until late March, or early April. At that time the document scanning warrant article would be a known. He will move our stuff offsite. These boxes have to be gone through page by page. The timing was ill advised, Scott said. Chairman Condra agrees. Pointing fingers doesn't accomplish anything, he said. Invest in rolling stock, use the alleyway and hallways through the election for storage space. Do not take it offsite again. This will allow Jane to get the document committee archiving. Selectman Williams said we don't want to scan things we aren't going to keep. Chairman Condra said to put stuff on rolling carts for now.

Town Administrator Update

Town Administrator Scott Butcher reported on the Department of Environmental Services (DES) report regarding the New Reservoir dam. Chairman Condra spoke about previous DES letters the Town has received. Selectwoman Boissonnault is concerned about the New Reservoir warrant article. She said the committee was formed to be an advisory committee and asked if we are throwing money out before we should. Selectman Williams said the warrant article is for the Legislative Body to vote the money so the Select Board can chose to do it. Too much concern with details in place. General consensus asking if we should do it or not. The committee will not administer it, he said. Chairman Condra explained both warrant articles. He doesn't see an issue and he wants them both on the warrant. He does not want to breach the dam.

Old Business

The Board talked about an email request asking the Board to change the Town Seal on the Town Hall signage. The Board discussed it and decided to keep the Town Seal on Town Hall signs. Selectman Williams spoke about the letter from Keefe & Keefe regarding the Quinn warrant article. The Board had a discussion.

Motion: Selectman Williams moved to fill in the blanks on the Quinn warrant article, changing the dates to April 1, 2018 and April 1, 2019 and add a payment amount of \$8,000.

New business

Selectwoman Boissonnault said the handicapped sign in front of the restaurant needs to be changed. She also spoke about the parking issue on Main Street being on social media. She asked that town employees park along the wall or at the end of street toward the Proctor lot.

Vote on Warrant Articles

Selectman Williams would like to reorder to put things that are the most contentious first. He listed his suggested order of the warrant articles.

Motion: Selectman Williams made a motion to reorder the warrant articles as just discussed (pipeline expansion is now #8; 34 is now 9; 10 is CRF for dam repair; 11 is the recreation area; 12 is the Quinn article; 13 is KENO; and all others stay as they are). Selectwoman Boissonnault seconded the motion. Motion carries 3, 0.

Motion: Selectman Williams moves that they withhold the vote on the operating budget until next Monday. Chairman Condra seconded the motion. Motion carries 3, 0.

Article 10 – Dam CRF

Vote: Selectman Williams, aye; Chairman Condra, aye. There was further discussion. Selectman Williams suggested changing it to an Expendable Trust Fund called the New Reservoir Dam Repair and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund and refer to RSA 31-19a. Get the wording from the RSA. Chairman Condra seconded it. Selectman Williams said then it can be spent in a broader sense of needs. Motion carries 3, 0.

Article 11 - Recreation area – Vote: Selectman Williams, aye; Chairman Condra, aye; Selectwoman Boissonnault, abstains. Motion carries 2, 0.

Article 12 – Quinn extension. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 13 – KENO. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 14 - Police cruiser lease. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 15 - Dump truck lease. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 16 - Discontinue Ambulance CRF. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 17 - Money to Ambulance Revolving Fund. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 18 - Lease new Ambulance. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 19 - Lease cardiac monitors. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 20 - Florence Wheeler Fund. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 21 – Town Clerk/Tax Collector combine offices. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 22 - CRF for FD air packs - Selectman Williams said to add to allow the Select Board to be agents.

Motion: Chairman Condra moves to amend the article to add Board of Selectmen to be appointed as agents. Selectman Williams seconded the motion. Vote: Unanimous to the amendment. Vote: Unanimous to the warrant article.

Article 23 - Turn-out gear. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 24. Welcome to Wilton signage. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 25 - Riverwalk \$13,500. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 26 - \$30k for document scanning. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 27 - Bridges CRF. Add "furthermore to add the Board of Selectmen as agents". Vote:

Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 28 - DPW garage CRF. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 29 - FD vehicle equipment CRF. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 30 - \$70k to Town Hall heating system CFR. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 31 - \$34k Fire Protection CRF for Town Hall. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 32 - Discontinue Cooley Park CRF. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 33 - Trustees Management Fees. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Article 34 - Sell land. Vote: Unanimous, motion carries 3, 0.

Chairman Condra made a motion to enter into a nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3,II (c) at 8:45 P.M. Motion carries, 3, 0.

The Board returned to regular session at 9:07 P.M. Chairman Condra moved to seal the minutes of the nonpublic meeting, seconded by Selectwoman Boissonnault. Motion passed with vote: Condra, Aye; Boissonnault, Aye; Williams, Aye.

The Board signed their paperwork and reviewed their correspondence.

The Board had further discussions about the Quinn warrant article, the upcoming Library meeting, and the 79E Revitalization warrant article voted in last year. No decisions were made.

Selectman Williams moved, seconded by Chairman Condra, to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 P.M. Motion passed unanimously, 3-0.

Respectfully submitted;

Pamela L. Atwood, Recording Secretary

William F. Condra Chairman

Klermit R Williams

Kellie-Sue Boissonnault

2-19-18

Date Signed