

TOWN OF WILTON
SELECTMEN'S MINUTES
WILTON FIRE STATION

Date: October 23, 2017
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.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Condra at 6:30 P.M.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Sewer Commission payment plan

Selectwoman Boissonnault thinks the Select Board needs to enter into a payment agreement with the Sewer Commission to get the borrowed funds paid back to the tax payers. Attorney Little suggested that we could add an interest charge. She would like to see how the Sewer Commissioners feel about a monthly or quarterly payment arrangement. Chairman Condra doesn't want them to struggle. He said it looks like they discussed our letter of no confidence. Selectwoman Boissonnault said that Chris Carter was surprised because the Selectmen had voted to support the purchase. That's true, said Kellie-Sue, with the information that Chris had provided to the Board; but when TA Scott Butcher did research we decided to take back our vote. Selectwoman Boissonnault learned by talking to NHMA that they are not supposed to purchase equipment unless they have the funds available. She suggested that maybe they bill on water usage instead of flat rates. Selectman Williams said it is hard to measure usage and that they have raised their rates in years past. Chairman Condra said these were all good points to keep on the table. Scott suggested that hiring an outside consultant might help to get a different perspective.

Town Administrator Update

The new Building and Land Use person will start on November 6th.

There are two finalists for Ambulance Chief who will interview with the Selectmen on Wednesday.

The Stagecoach Road Bridge is pretty much complete.

The scales at the Recycling Center are almost done. Someone donated the insulation. Two employees will be trained as weighmasters.

Old/New Business

Selectman Williams asked about the contract for the website. Scott said he is in contract negotiations with CivicLive for the changes suggested by Attorney Little.

Scott spoke about the letter from DES regarding PFAF testing. We are subject to groundwater monitoring so we may be subject to this testing. We are asking CEI if they can do it. .

Selectwoman Boissonnault spoke about some information she had researched regarding nonpublic sessions. Chairman Condra does not think this Board abuses the process.

Next, Selectwoman Boissonnault spoke about a conversation that took place at a Selectmen's meeting regarding all of the recent personnel changes that had taken place in town during her first year. She wanted it noted that she took offense to Selectman Williams comment that they don't want to work for a woman. Selectman Williams said it was not intended as a sexist comment; it was a joke. He apologized.

Tax Rate Setting

Selectman Williams likes to reduce the tax rate by the amount of money that lapsed the year before, usually around \$700,000. This number can be found in the audit report which we have not received yet. Discussion ensued. Selectman Williams said we have an adequate balance and will keep the same amount if we reduce it by what we lapsed last year. There is no need to increase the fund balance more than it is now, he said. Administrative Assistant Pam Atwood was asked to get that number from the Auditors and add tax rate setting to Wednesday's agenda.


Chairman moved, seconded by Selectman Williams to enter into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) at 7:12 P.M. Motion passed unanimously, 3-0

Selectman Williams asked about the DPW Director and Laborer positions. Scott said it was posted today. Selectwoman Boissonnault said the Main Street sidewalks are overgrown with weeds and she would like to see them taken care of.

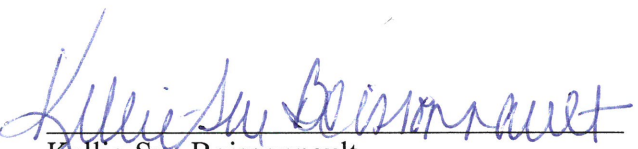
Selectman Williams suggested adding Matt Fish to the Reservoir Committee.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 P.M. by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectwoman Boissonnault, followed by a vote with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted;


Pamela L. Atwood,
Recording Secretary


William F. Condra, Chairman


Kellie-Sue Boissonnault


Kermit R. Williams

11-6-17
Date Signed