

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
January 3, 2022

The Campton Board of Selectmen met at 3:30 p.m. at the Campton Municipal Building on Monday, January 3, 2022. Selectmen Sharon Davis, Karl Kelly, Bill Cheney, and Nik Coates were present. Also present were Campton Town Administrator Corey Davenport, Minutes Recorder Jade Hartsgrove, Fire Chief Dan Defosses, Police Chief Kevin Foss, Park and Rec Director Lisa Ash, and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Hannah Joyce.

Call to Order: Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Members of the Public Present included Craig Engel and Ann Nichols.

Approval of Minutes: Selectman Kelly motioned to approve the five sets of minutes. Selectman Cheney seconded the motion, Selectmen Davis, Kelly, Cheney, and Coates voted in favor.

Budget Work Session

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Hannah requested a non-public to speak about salaries. The Board stated that there is no need to go into non-public for wages. Hannah felt unprepared because she was unsure of what the budget was. Corey informed Hannah the budget was the same one she had submitted previously. Hannah inquired about the ARPA fund requests she submitted. Corey hasn't gotten a chance to look at them. Hannah would like another computer for the counter in her office and would like to know if she needs to put that in her budget or if ARPA will cover it. Selectman Coates explained that the computer does not fall within the ARPA guidelines. \$1500.00 will be added to line 4140-003 in her budget for extending a counter. Hannah asked the Board to review the other ARPA requests before the budget is finalized. Corey will put Hannah on the agenda for the meeting on the 18th.

Selectman Boynton entered the meeting at 3:49 p.m.

Executive Administration: There are few changes other than the Town Administrator salary and the Planning and Zoning Coordinator raise.

Cemetery: Corey spoke to Mr. Timson, and he had no changes to the budget. Corey changed the wage line to reflect the 6% COLA. Mr. Timson would like the cemetery surveyed. The renovations for the gazebo will come out of the Durgin fund.

Advertising & Regional Assoc.: Ann Nichols from Lakes Region Behavioral Health was on zoom. Ann explained what LRBH does and who they help. Last year, LRBH served 109 residents between Campton and Waterville Valley; 26 of those were emergencies. She asked if the Board had any questions, and they stated she had answered the questions they had and thanked Ann for coming.

Transport Central: Corey has the numbers of residents that transport central has helped and will present them next meeting.

Police Department: Chief Foss reviewed his budget with Corey a line item went down, which is reflected in the Board's budget. Chief Foss stated he believes this is an appropriate budget.

Fire Department: Chief Defosses said there are no changes. There was a discussion about a grant and how the grant funds work.

Highway Department: Ron met with Corey to review his budget. He added to the budget the purchase of calcium chloride, additional funds to the subcontractor line, and the cost of two culverts to be replaced on Perch Pond Road.

Ron informed the Board that the loader needed a new piston. Ron is seeking approval to make the purchase. Selectman Coates made a motion to approve the purchase of a new piston out of the equipment capital reserve fund up to \$4500.00. Selectman Boynton seconded the motion, and the Board voted all in favor.

Emergency Management: Selectman Kelly, who is also the EMD, added \$500.00 to the signs, posts, and E911 line. Selectman Boynton expressed that he would like the "slow down" electronic signs much like what the Town of Plymouth has. After discussion, the electronic signs can be added to the CIP.

Park and Rec: Lisa said there were no changes, and said she would try hard to stay within the budget, – she knows that she can make it work. The department will recoup through revenues what the increase is. The Board thanked Lisa.

Library: Went over at the last meeting; the Board had no issues.

Deer Run Dam Capital Reserve: Selectman Cheney inquired why money was still left for Deer Run Dam. Karl responded that here needs to be a rail built on the dam to make it safer to walk out on.

Old Business

Intergovernmental Agreements: The Town Attorney reviewed the agreements and recommended that for the transfer station, article 5 should reflect the same language in the fire department agreement. Corey will reach out to Thornton and Ellsworth and see what their attorneys recommend.

CIP: The CIP met with a representative from the Thornton CIP. The discussion consisted of how the towns can connect to make them match. The three boards need to meet again and discuss the fleet for the fire department to try to align the CIP. There are conflicts. However, Fire Chief Defosses said the Boards seem to be on the same page for the next couple of purchases. Corey will plan a joint meeting to discuss this further, and Campton Selectman would like Chief Defosses to be present.

Tracking Report

There are no significant changes. JS Adams did come and review the security at the highway department. A recording box needs to be installed along with some cameras. Chief Defosses recommend getting a fire alarm system for the highway department.

Committee Updates

Policy Committee: Will meet in the spring.

Planning Board: The Planning Board would like the Selectmen to review the impact fee ordinance. This is just the framework to implement, and it doesn't have any fees associated with it yet. It will be tabled until the next meeting so the Board can review it.

Correspondence

TS Manager: The candidate of choice has declined the position, and the Thornton Board is posting it again. It will be posted on indeed, NHMA, and the local papers.

Angels & Elves: The Police department received a thank you letter for the Angels and Elves program donations. Chief Foss said Jennifer Gould, the Administrative Assistant, spearheaded the operation, and the contribution was valued at \$500.00.

Plowing Concerns: Selectman Boynton informed the Board that somehow a resident got his phone number and complained about plowing. Subcontractors should not be plowing personal driveways while on duty for the Town. This has been addressed. After discussion, the Board will review the plowing contract and edit it for next year.

RTK Request: There has been a Right To Know request by an individual looking for some Highway information. There was a concern that the Town does not have a list of roads plowed by subcontractors and town employees; after discussion Selectman Cheney would like to have the list created with a disclaimer that it could change.

Selectmen Schedule: Corey distributed a 2022 meeting schedule to review and finalize for the Selectmen.

Board Concerns and Directives

In the public session, Selectman Cheney made a motion to go into non-public according to RSA 91-A:3, II (c). Selectman Boynton seconded the motion, Selectman Davis, Kelly, Boynton, Cheney, and Coates voted all in favor.

The Board came out of a non-public session at 5:20 p.m.

Selectman Kelly made a motion to seal the non-public minutes, Selectman Cheney seconded the motion, Selectman Davis, Kelly, Boynton, Cheney, and Coates voted all in favor.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chair Davis adjourned the public meeting at 5:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jade Hartsgrove
Minutes Recorder