

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
December 6, 2021

The Campton Board of Selectmen met at 3:30 p.m. at the Campton Municipal Building on Monday, December 6, 2021. Selectmen Karl Kelly, Bill Cheney, Dan Boynton, and Nik Coates were present. Also present were Town Administrator Corey Davenport, Minutes Recorder Jade Hartsgrove, Road Agent Ron Farnsworth, and Police Chief Kevin Foss. The Board signed the manifests during the work session, reviewed the bills, and signed two zoning compliance applications, three LUCT, a pole license, and an appointment.

Call to Order: Vice-Chair Kelly called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Members of the Public were Shannon Garnsey, Jane Kellogg, and Paul Yelle.

Approval of Minutes: Selectman Coates motioned to approve the revised minutes from November 22, 2021, Selectman Cheney seconded the motion, Selectmen Kelly, Cheney, and Coates voted in favor. Selectman Boynton abstained.

New Business

Screened Sand Bid Opening: The Town received two bids. One from Andrews and one from Pike. Corey opened the first one. Andrews came in at \$9.00/cubic yard for pickup and \$12.50/cubic yard for delivery. Pike came in at \$9.31/cubic yard for pickup and \$19.46/cubic yard for delivery. After the Board discusses with the Road Agent, Ron will call Ambrose and see their prices. The Selectmen authorized Ron or Corey to approve the sand once Ron heard back.

Department Head Evaluation Reminder: Corey reminded the Board that the Department Head evaluations needed to be completed. The Board will get them done by Friday so that Corey and Lisa can determine what everyone's merit pay will be. Historically merit pay has been with the payroll before Christmas. The Board will work on these. Corey asked the Board if they would be open to giving Carina her merit pay as she worked for the Town the whole year, the Board agreed to provide Carina her merit pay.

Merit Pay Breakdown: The Board reviewed and discussed the breakdown of the merit pay. Selectman Coates had some questions about the scale used and if there are goals set yearly. After the Board explained the process to him, they decided to leave the scale and breakdown for this year and can revisit this later.

Budget Work Session

Conservation Commission: Shannon Garnsey, Chair of the Conservation Commission, presented their proposed budget. She explained that there had been no increase, and it had stayed flat. The Board had no questions. Jane Kellogg gave the Board an update on the land purchase and said they finally have a closing date. Jane asked the day of closing if the Board would be available to sign the documents, and the Board stated they would make it work to keep them informed. The Board thanked Shannon and Jane.

Library: There was no one at the meeting to represent the library. This will be put on another agenda.

Historical Society: Paul Yelle presented the proposed budget. Paul stated he is no longer the Historical Society president; Dede Joyce is. She could not be here tonight, and that Jade Hartsgrove is the new secretary for the Historical Society. Paul said the budget had stayed the same and that they have some small projects they would like to get done. He explained that many sponsors help them with the projects. The Board asked about the Veterans memorial. After discussion, the Board thanked Paul.

Advertising & Regional: Corey presented this to the Board. What is in yellow are placeholders. Some haven't gotten their requests in yet, and there is one new one, Transport Central. Discussion ensued. The Board asked Corey to reach out to the transport company and see how many Campton residents utilize their services. The Board is open to funding it if Campton uses it.

Correspondence

Police Chief Inquiry: Police Chief Kevin Foss asked the Board to consider letting a couple of officers carry over an extra week. Chief Foss explained why they were unable to use all of their time. The Board is faced with at least one department head coming each year for the same reason. The Board wants to be fair and also not set a precedent. Selectman Cheney suggested paying out a week and letting them carry the rest over. Chief Foss said that he thinks the employees will be receptive to it and Thanked the Board.

Thornton BOS Inquiry: Debra Shepard, the Thornton Town Administrator, asked for the intergovernmental agreement if the Board wants things to be a majority vote or unanimous? After the Board discussed, they decided that a majority vote was acceptable. Corey will let Debra know.

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

The Board came out of a non-public session at 4:46 p.m.

Selectman Cheney made a motion to seal the minutes, and Selectman Boynton seconded the motion; Selectmen Kelly, Cheney, Boynton, and Coates voted all in favor.

Old Business

Engineering Firm Review: The Board watched an HEB and Gale Associates presentation at a previous meeting. Now the Board needs to decide which company to choose. Corey said Selectman Davis recommends putting together a scope and asking each company the cost. After the Board discussed, they have picked a section of Lower Beech between Beech Hill and Turnpike Roads to see what each company would recommend for repairs.

Certified Computer Solutions: The contract with CCS is expiring, and the Board can choose to sign a one-year contract or sign a five-year contract. After discussion, the Board agreed they would sign a one-year contract and put it out to bid next year. The main goal is to get each department on the same schedule and service provider. The Board also discussed options provided by CCS to include the Fire Department into the network. One option was a category six-wire or fiber. The Board decided on the fiber. Selectman Coates said the ARPA funds could be used for this. Selectman Boynton made a motion to get the Fire Department hooked up with fiber using the ARPA funds, Selectman Coates seconded, and the Board voted unanimously.

Tracking Report

Snowmobile/ OHRV Ordinance: Selectman Kelly stated that he got out other Town ordinances and read through them over the weekend. Most of them have language in them that has to do with the snowmobile clubs. Selectman Kelly is going to arrange a meeting with the clubs.

Planning and Zoning Coordinator: Selectman Coates inquired about filling Corey's old position. Corey explained that Selectman Davis sent out a job description. The Board would like Corey to review it, make changes or additions, if need be, and post it. The Board also discussed the salary and posted it with the range including the 6% COLA.

Committee Updates

-None-

Board Concerns and Directives

Selectman Coates: Updated the Board on the design charette. He said that the amount was not \$6000.00 its actually \$10,000.00. The grant does not open up for a couple of months, but he will apply for it as soon as it is open.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chair Davis adjourned the public meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jade Hartsgrove
Minutes Recorder