

Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes: January 25, 2016

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Jonathan Hebert

Visitors: None

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

A telephone call was placed to the town attorney and legal issues were discussed.

Chairman Chandler made a motion to appoint Selectman Hebert to begin the process of working on policies and procedures for the town offices. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Sue Nelson and Margaret Lavender from the Intervale Lighting Precinct met with the Selectmen to discuss the process of disbanding the precinct. Nelson stated that it has outlived its usefulness. Selectman Hebert inquired about its finances. Lavender replied that it is \$6600.00 and of that \$2000.00 is received from the Town of Bartlett. Chairman Chandler mentioned that if the lights go out the Town doesn't pay to keep them going. Selectman Patch explained that the town collects the money on the precincts behalf. Chairman Chandler stated that they could petition the town to see if they are willing to pay for the street lights in the Intervale area of town. Nelson commented that the town sets the rate that people pay. Chairman Chandler explained that the rates are set by the State and that we collect the money for four precincts. After the money is collected it is forwarded to the various precincts. Selectman Hebert commented that the lights go out unless individual people decide they want to pay for them. Selectman Patch mentioned that some people do have their own private lights. Nelson commented that in Conway they shut every other light off and people weren't happy. A map of where the 12 lights are located in town was shown and reviewed by the Selectmen. Lavender stated that some of the lights on Skyline Drive are out. Selectman Patch replied that the NH Co-op has to be notified as they don't know until someone tells them. Chairman Chandler commented that the town didn't put in or pay for the lights on Skyline Drive. Chairman Chandler inquired if there is much work involved to run the precinct. Lavender stated no as they have automatic payments. The state DRA forms are the hardest part of the job and Lynn Jones, AA, stated that she is pretty familiar with the forms and would help her if she needs it. Selectman Hebert commented that she should keep going as she is doing a great job. Chairman Chandler stated that he feels that she is very capable of doing the job. Chairman Chandler again mentioned that they can petition the town to have the lights taken over by the town. Lavender commented that no one comes to their meetings and no one wants to be a member or do anything which is part of the problem. Chairman Chandler suggested that they should see if they can find their charter as some precincts were done by the legislature and can only be dissolved by the legislature. If they would like he can see if he can find out anything in Concord however it would be better if they can find the charter.

Chairman Chandler requested that Brenda Medeiros, Sec. check with Selectman Allen who is Chairman of the Bartlett Jackson Ambulance Committee to see when the next meeting is going to be held.

Chairman Chandler made a motion at 05:00 PM to enter nonpublic session to discuss a personnel issue per NH RSA 91-A: 3 (a). Selectman Hebert seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Chairman Chandler made a motion at 05:15 PM to end the nonpublic session. Selectman Hebert seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Patch made a motion to seal the minutes. Chairman Chandler seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

The Selectmen signed checks, reviewed correspondence and building permits throughout the meeting.

The Selectmen discussed and went over the town budget for this year. No definite decisions were made and further discussion will be held on Friday, January 29, 2016 at 04:00 PM.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 07:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.