Town of Bartlett Office of Selectmen Meeting Minutes: February 12, 2018

Attendance: Chairman Gene Chandler, David Patch, Jonathan Hebert

Visitors: Scott Grant, Ace Tarberry

Reporters: None

Meeting opened at 03:30 PM.

Selectman Hebert made a motion at 03:35 PM to enter nonpublic session for a personnel issue per NH RSA 91-A: 3 II (a). Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Selectman Hebert made a motion at 03:40 PM to end the nonpublic session. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Eric Dziedzic, Manager, and Terry McGregor of Storyland (2RT016-92-R00) met with the Selectmen in reference to the proposed aquarium and the signage for it. A map was shown and reviewed. The mural that had been on the side of the Heritage building and is grandfathered was discussed. It was determined that they would have to go back to the Zoning Board of Adjustment to obtain an amendment to change it. Lynn Jones, AA, explained that things that are designed to attract attention are considered signs, for example an umbrella that has wording/pictures is a sign. Dziedzic stated that they could get rid of all the signs and just have one. McGregor commented that if they had one on site do the Selectmen need to see the design as they are trying to not make it gaudy and want to know what the Selectmen would like to see. The Selectmen don't need to see the design. Lynn Jones, AA, reminded them that no one sign can contain more than forty-eight square feet of message area. Selectman Patch reminded them that if they get rid of a sign that they can't get it back. Chairman Chandler inquired if they could keep the map so that the Selectmen could look into this further. Chairman Chandler questioned whether the bill board on Stanley Hill is an on premise or off premise sign as if it is on premise they can't advertise the auto road but they would be able to advertise the aquarium. Dziedzic didn't know the answer and will find out.

The bids for the 2000 International dump truck were opened with the following results:

A. Eastman & Son, Inc. \$10,100.00

Town of Sandwich \$ 6,000.00

Grant Masonry, Inc.\$ 4,284.00

Chairman Chandler made a motion to accept the bid of \$10,100.00 from A. Eastman. Selectman Patch seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Chairman Chandler informed everyone that the Department of Revenue Administration had determined a median ratio for the land, buildings and manufactured housing for the Town of Bartlett for the tax year 2017 to be 99.7%. The overall equalization assessment – sales ratio for the land, buildings and manufactured housing in the Town of Bartlett for the year 2017 to be 97.5%. It was also concluded that the assessment review done by the DRA complies with all requirements set forth with applicable laws and regulations per their letter.

Motion was made by Selectman Hebert and seconded by Selectman Patch to adjourn the Selectmen's meeting. Vote was unanimous and meeting was adjourned at 04:25PM.

The work session was opened at 04:30 PM by Chairman Chandler with members of the Fire Department to discuss Town Meeting issues.

Fire Chief L. Patrick Roberts and Asst. Chief James Langdon met with the Selectmen to go over their proposed budget. Chief Roberts also mentioned that he is losing three key people in the fire department: Bruce Bennett and Pastor Bill Rose are moving and Roger Labbe is retiring.

- 1.) Chief Roberts would like to be paid hourly and time and half after 40 hours instead of on salary. The call volume has increased and he has more experience now.
- 2.) He would like a full time firefighter/EMT person as well as to increase the part time secretary's hours.
- 3.) He would like turn out gear, pagers, water rescue helmets, strobes, rope throw bags pull out trays for three trucks, cones, wands SCBA cylinders to be replaced a few at a time, SCBA face pieces and voice amps.
- 4.) He would like to replace 21 Utility 1 with a 4WD crew cab at a cost of \$160,000.00.
- 5.) He would also like to replace the 4 inch supply hose on Engine 1 with a 5 inch hose.

The Selectmen will review the information that was submitted.

The work session adjourned at 05:30 PM.

Selectmen's meeting continued.

Police Chief Christopher Keaton, Cpl. Ian MacMillan, and Officer Mosher dropped into the meeting and went over the following:

- 1.) Chief Keaton doesn't think he will need the full \$7,000.00 for uniforms as Officer Mosher was able to fit into former Officer Eldridge's uniforms
- 2.) The Whalen light bar for the new truck cruiser is back ordered and that is why we don't have it yet.
- 3.) He would like to keep cruiser 2, which is running fine, in rotation for the part time officers.
- 4.) He would also like to have new blinds for his office.

Selectmen will take under advisement.

The Selectmen signed checks, reviewed building permits and correspondence throughout the meeting as well as continued working on the budget.

There being no further items to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 05:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Medeiros, Sec.