

Town of Middleton
Board of Selectmen Meeting
August 3, 2015

Approved By
Board of Selectmen



Called to order at 6:30 P.M

BOS Members Present: J. Bailey, J. Hotchkiss, M. Schwarz

Pledge Recited

Signature Action:

- J. Hotchkiss motions to accept the minutes from the 7-27-15 BOS meeting as written. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

Old Business

- Firefighter pay- Currently firefighters get paid annually. Calls are not totaled until the end of the year. Firefighters do not get hourly rates. Tabled the discussion until the fire chief was present. *
- Work on the highway walls will begin either the last week in August or the first week in September.
- J. Hotchkiss asked for an update on Waste Management and recycling. Flyer was approved and Waste Management will be mailing them out to all residents. Recycling to begin September.

New Business

- BOS will be meeting with an auctioneer to discuss town properties Thursday at 2:00PM.
- DES letter. J. Hotchkiss read letter aloud. DES would like to meet with the BOS. DES is going to be conducting water testing in our area and want the town to be able to answer any questions from residents. L. Parker will contact DES to see if they can attend a BOS meeting.

Public Participation

- Garden Tour was a success with 36 people in attendance. There were 24 prize winners. J. Coskie would like this to be an annual event.
- The Recreation Committee held a movie night that was also successful. The next event is the start of family fun week August 16.
- OTH renovations are underway. Water drainage is a concern. Water needs to be re-routed.
- Middleton Fire was asked to assist Farmington with their touch a truck.
- Welcome to the new pastor- Tom Gardener.

J. Hotchkiss motions to recess at 7:04 Pm to wait for the fire chief. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J, Hotchkiss motions to resume the meeting at 7:10 PM, M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

- * J. Hotchkiss talks about there being a short term problem and a long term problem with the fire department pay. Short term problem is when someone leaves; they have to wait till the end of the year, because pay is based on the number of calls. Long term problem is there needs to be a consistent pay formula that is fair across the board. Fire Chief wants to look at the past few years and talk to all officers to come up with a fair pay scale. Pay for the firefighters should be monthly not annually if they are being paid per call. Fir Chief will review and get back to the board.

J. Bailey motions to enter into non-public per RSA 91-A:3 II c at 7:18 PM, M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J. Hotchkiss motions to re-enter public session at 8:05 PM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J. Hotchkiss motions to seal the minutes of the non-public session, M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J. Hotchkiss motions to adjourn at 8:06 PM, M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

Laura Parker, BOS Secretary