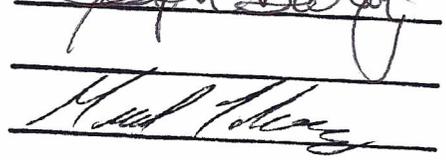


Town of Middleton  
Board of Selectmen Meeting  
December 14, 2015

Approved By  
Board of Selectmen



Called to order at 6:31 P.M

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

Pledge Recited

**Signature Action:**

- M. Schwarz motions to approve the minutes from 12/7/15. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.
- J. Bailey discussed the changes the board made to the department budgets. M. Schwarz motions to approve the minutes from 12/8/2015. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.
- Jane Sanders Contract- D. O'Toole spoke regarding the contract total. This year's total is less than last year. It should be for approximately 90 searches. M. Schwarz makes a motion to accept the contract. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.
- Payment release form for new Highway International Truck- J. Bailey signed the release form.
- Property Sale- Lot

**Old Business:**

Department Heads:

- Town Clerk- D. O'Toole is back from being out sick. Lots to catch up on. Taxes are being paid. N. Varney did a great job covering the office.
- Assessing- P. Frazier spoke about the assessment ratio. Assessing is coming up. 8 big sales last month. P. Frazier will be working on tax deferrals. Presented the board with the RSA on deferrals. She will be preparing deferrals for next meeting. Presented board with Avitar contract. P. Frazier spoke with Avitar regarding the increase in cost. Avitar will be sending an itemized billing on time spent. P. Frazier feels this three year contract should be signed. M. Schwarz motions to accept and sign the presented contract. J. Bailey seconded, all in favor.
- Planning Board- There is a workshop tomorrow night at 6:30
- Police- Report submitted. Exterminator was called today. There is a smell in the police station that needs to be found. J. Bailey read aloud police monthly report. Chief Sobel is doing well after shoulder surgery.
- Fire- 108 Fire Calls, 122 Medical calls. B. Lawrence has been taking with other fire departments about cross training at the Fire Academy. Children's X-mas Party held at the station went well.
- Welfare- Increase in calls in the last month.
- Highway- Highway crew ready to go for winter. Turn-around on Silver Street has been resolved. Should receive a letter from Milton soon with permission to use their property for the new turn-around. Corner has been cleared so turn-around is safe. This new clearing will also help our town forest in the future. Highway calcium set up is ready to go. Crew will be using vacation time to use up before the end of year. T. Coskie asked R. Washburn to put out the public sand. Public sand will be assessable.
- Conservation- Letter will be sent out to different foresters to do an evaluation. Looking to have a meeting with land owners on Piper Mountain. Positive feedback on the recycling flier that was sent out with the tax bills.
- Treasury- Report was submitted from treasurer and bookkeeper.
- School Board- New drawdown presented to the board. There was a \$409,000 credit that needs to be applied. Payments starting January 1 will be reduced. Question asked if the slope at the school was ever addressed. Letter was sent to SAU and there has not been a response. J. Coskie talked about what was discussed at the School Board Meeting regarding the letter. Stated that SAU 61 feels they should not be involved due to not being part of the school when opening. J.

Bailey stated, by law this have to be done in order for the school to open. Template that was sent to SAU 61 is the template that GWSD will be using which is custom made to include Middleton.

- Emergency Management- School Plan is still a work in progress.

#### **New Business**

- Primex Service & Needs Assessment will be Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00

#### **Public Participation**

- J. Coskie spoke about property listed on New Portsmouth Road. Suggestion on New Hampshire Forest and Protection to purchase that property. P. Frazier will contact them.

M. Schwarz motions to enter into non-public @ 7:13 p.m. per RSA 91-A:3 II a. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

M. Schwarz motions to re-enter public session @ 7:59. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

M. Schwarz motions to seal the minutes for three years. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

M. Schwarz motions to adjourn @ 8:00 PM. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Laura Parker, BOS Secretary