

Town of Middleton
Board of Selectmen Meeting
October 3, 2016



Called to order at 6:30 P.M

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

Pledge Recited

Signature Action:

- M. Schwarz motions to accept the minutes from the 09/26/2016 BOS meeting as written. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.
- M. Schwarz motions to accept the minutes from the 09/26/2016 BOS non-public meeting. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.
- Junkyard permit application guidelines presented to the board for approval and signature. Discuss on the fee that should be charged. Currently the fee is \$25.00. J. Bailey motions to accept the new Junkyard Regulations with the new fee of \$100.00. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor. D. Maier asked how many junkyards are currently in town. J. Bailey advised that currently there are only two listed and currently there is no limit.
- General Election Warrant signed for the upcoming November elections.

Old Business

- Evaluations- Discussion on completing evaluations during the day for those who are in town during the day and nights for those who work elsewhere during the day. Highway and Police Chief will be done on October 20th beginning at 9:00 AM. Fire Chief will be scheduled for the 24th at 6:30 PM. All others will be scheduled during the day on the 20th, assessing, code enforcement and secretary.
- Budget memos presented to the BOS. Preliminary budgets will be due in two different shifts so board can review at their BOS meeting. Budget meetings with all departments will be scheduled for December 7th starting at 3:00. L. Parker will contact the budget committee to inform them of the date and times.
- M. Schwarz updated the BOS with the concerns that were brought forth from a resident on Tanglewood. Highway Crew put up dead end signs and placed rocks lining the road to keep others from turning around on the residents leach field.
- Town offices will be closed for Columbus Day Monday October 10, 2016.

New Business

- J. Hotchkiss spoke regarding the upcoming election. Board feels that voting should start earlier than 8:00 AM. Board would like to see the voting to start at 7:00 AM to accommodate the residents. M. Schwarz motions BOS favor to start elections at 7:00 AM. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor. Voting will be held at the Highway Garage.
- J. Hotchkiss discusses community input for the selection of Police Chief. T. Coskie asked if it would be an in house selection. J. Hotchkiss clarified that you must internally post for 5 days and the BOS posted it for 10 business days. If at that time there are not enough applicants it would be posted externally. D. Maier feels that an officer with k-9 experience would be beneficial. Community is concerned with the cost associated with having a k-9. J. Hotchkiss advised that Raven will not be staying in Middleton that he will retire with Chief Sobel. Resident questions

how much it cost to maintain the k-9 including the cost of the officer to attend trainings etc. Possibly the next Chief may not want a k-9. J. Coskie asked if Chief Sobel will have any input on the next Chief. Board will be taking Chief Sobel's recommendations into consideration. Currently there is only three full time officers and one part time officer that id providing coverage at this time. J. Bailey would like to see the new chief be part of the budget process.

Public Participation

- J. Coskie speaks about there not being any forum for public information since she stopped writing for the paper. She is suggesting that possibly Amy Gardner could send something to the paper to keep residents aware of what's going on in Middleton.
- J. Coskie also questions the recycling bins in the municipal building. She is willing to take the recycling. L. Parker advised that this is a one-time recycling purge of old invoices not needed to be kept.

J. Bailey motions to enter into non-public @ 7:33PM per RSA 91-A:3 II a. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J. Bailey motions to re-enter public session @ 8:09 PM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.
First non-public was not sealed.

J. Bailey motions to seal the second non-public for one year. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

M. Schwarz motions to seal the minutes from the second non-public for 1 year. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

J. Bailey motions to adjourn @ 8:14 PM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

Laura Parker, BOS Secretary