

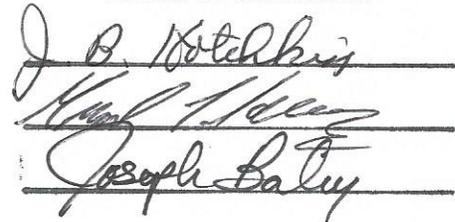
Town of Middleton
Board of Selectmen Meeting
November 14, 2016

Approved By
Board of Selectmen

Called to order at 6:31 P.M

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

Pledge Recited



Signature Action:

- M. Schwarz motions to approve the minutes from the 11-7-16 public BOS meeting as written. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.
- M. Schwarz motions to approve the non-public minutes from 11-7-16 as written. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

Old Business

- Department Heads
 - Town Clerk/Tax Collector- Report provided to the Board.
 - Assessing- provided the signed Fairpoint agreement to the board. G. English is asking the board how they want to pay back the agreement. She suggested splitting it in two and pay part out of this year's overlay and process the remaining in next year's overlay. If this year's overlay will be used it will have to be decided prior to December 31, 2016. J. Hotchkiss provides an overview of the agreement. G. English explains the reason for a public hearing to make changes to the pole license agreement to be able to tax the poles. M. Schwarz suggests using the \$9,000 out of this year's overlay. J. Bailey asked if we are generating the \$4,500 now. M. Schwarz motions on paying the \$9,000 now and the rest next year using the overlay. J. Bailey seconds. All in favor.
 - Planning Board- still working on the CIP plan. Part of the master plan for the town is to include the school plan. Part of the master plan is making a wish list for the town.
 - Police-monthly report turned into the board for the month of October. Report read aloud by J. Hotchkiss. 2005 cruiser has 133,000 miles. 3 arrest, 65 calls for service. Approximately 2 per day. 2 accidents.
 - ACO- no calls in October
 - EMS- total of 125 calls this month.
 - Fire- 112 fire calls. B. Lawrence is working on the budget, trying to get UHF because of being on Acton Maine run cards. Training with Farmington this month. Working on a grant. Turkey raffle is this weekend. 5 members attend the EMS conference this month.
 - Highway- R. Washburn mentions that the bus drivers are looking for a place to wash their buses. R. Washburn does not have a problem with them washing them at the highway garage. They are also looking for a place to do their training. They are looking to paint dots in the parking lot for the training. R. Washburn does not have a problem with that until the parking lot is re-done. J. Mammone asked if this has brought to the attention of the bus coordinator. K. Gay states it has and she is working on it. J. Mammone wants to know if they even know that the bus drivers have to pay for their own supplies. J. Hotchkiss recommends on the short run, just wash them at the highway garage. They will be washed outside. All board members agree. Road work project is complete except the hydro seeding which will happen in the spring. R. Washburn is looking to buy new work zone signs and road cones. (money to come from block grant) approximately \$2,000. Current signs are from 1998 when he attended a class. Past few years he has used a grizzle screen from the state. He would like permission to build one. The state has requested theirs back. Building one would cost approximately \$4,000. which would also come from the block grant. R.

Washburn would also like to purchase a pavement saw. Each time they rent one there are issues. Windy Ridge was the best price of \$1,800 for the complete unit. SPCP clean-up plan is being finalized. One recommendation is remaining on the plan. There is also a training that needs to be done. R. Washburn will coordinate with Geolnsight. Once trained we can hold our own training for a couple years before Geolnsight would have to train again. Fuel island security. R. Washburn speaks about possibly having a faub system on the fuel island. There has to be a different way then what currently is happening. He feels that the school would be responsible for half the cost of this entire project. Conduit needs to be run. There needs to be a different key for the spill kit area. Master locks will be approximately \$55.00 each. The keys would not be duplicable. Again this could be funded out of the block grant but he does not feel that the town should pay for the entire thing. J. Hotchkiss will present it to the school board at the next meeting. R. Washburn would need an answer soon, before the ground freezes. Before the end of the month would be good. Resident questions why the town does not fuel up like the Police. There is no place close to the center of town that would allow that to happen. J. Hotchkiss recommends approving the expenditure to start the project and then he will approach the school board to discuss the splitting of the cost. J. Bailey feels that if the highway garage eventually moves then the town will be paying for this again in the future. Why not just spend the more now and move it if the new highway garage later. R. Washburn will start the electrical work and look into the higher tech faub system that will also track the gallons etc. Just would like al cards to access all gates. All board members agree.

- Welfare- monthly report given. Welfare expenditure is currently at 39%.
- Conservation- no report.
- Zoning- not a lot going on for the moment.
- Code Enforcement- just working on regular calls this month. Couple of new permits for houses. Nothing out of the ordinary.
- Emergency Management- J. Hotchkiss will be attending the NHMA conference.
- Treasury- Monthly reports provided to the board. J. Hotchkiss explains the signature rule for the town. Two board of selectmen sign and the treasure.
- School Board- Board met last Wednesday. Everything seems to be going smooth. Three buses are currently running. Talk about snow removal at the school. Resident questions why the town will not be plowing out the school. R. Washburn speaks about FEMA and how reimbursement works with storms. The town will cut back snowbanks if needed, but the school has hired their own individual to plow. R. Washburn advised that he would of have to know before now if the school was to need them to plow. He would have had to order more supplies such as salt, etc. Resident asked why the school is so separate from the town. J. Hotchkiss explains on how before we didn't have a school and all school related things were through another town. Resident concerned with why until now if the school board saw Farmington overcharging why it took so long to address. J. Bailey addressed the concern and that Farmington was not so forthcoming with answers when asked. J. Hotchkiss explains how when our children were in Farmington there was just a per student cost. Now with Middleton having their own school there is more than just a number per student but now a line by line budget that can be reviewed and discussed and changed as needed during the deliberative session. School is a SB 2 and the town is not. J. Bailey explains how the town budget is put together and how many meeting they hold for the public to attend. Question about why the tax bills were sent out and due earlier than previous years. J. Hotchkiss explains how the information has always been late and this year we got it earlier and in the future the hope is that they go out in a timely matter.
- Cemetery-no report.

New Business

- none

Public Participation

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

Returns to public session at 9:23 PM.

J. Bailey motions to seal the minutes from the first non-public for personnel reasons for 6 months. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J. Bailey motions to seal the minutes from the second non-public for safety reasons for 5 years. J. Hotchkiss seconds, all in favor.

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

J. Bailey motions for the Police Chief to expend up to \$5000.00 for the purchasing of 9 personnel lockers (\$1,500.) one replacement or door repair (\$500.) and two gun safes (\$3,000.) M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

Discussion on creating a checklist for taxes owed when working with any residents that are in arrears. L. Parker will look back at common threads and will reach out at the NHMA Conference for guidelines on what other towns do. L. Parker will produce something at the next meeting.

J. Bailey motions to adjourn at 9:29 PM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

Laura Parker, Administrative Assistant