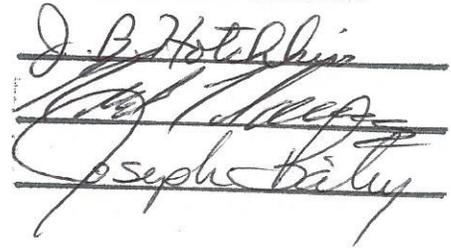


Town of Middleton  
Board of Selectmen Meeting  
January 9, 2017

Approved By  
Board of Selectmen



Called to order at 6:04 P.M

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

Pledge Recited

J. Hotchkiss opened Public Hearing. G. English explained the reason for the hearing. J. Bailey made a motion to amend the pole license as follows: to declare that all outstanding pole licenses issued by or under the authority of the Selectmen of Middleton or its predecessors in office acting under the provisions of RSA 231:161 (b) or its predecessors statutes, are hereby changed to incorporate in each such pole license in effect as of January 10, 2017 and effective as of such date, the following changes;

“in accordance with the requirement of RSA 72:23 I (b), this license is granted to the licensee (s) subject to the condition that the licensee (s) and any other entity using or occupying property of the municipality pursuant to this license shall be responsible for the payment of, and shall pay, all properly assessed real and personal property taxes no later than the due date. Failure of the licensee (s) to pay duly assessed personal and real property taxes when due shall be cause to terminate this license.

In accordance with the requirements of RSA 72:23, I (b), the licensee (s) hereunder and any other entity using or occupying the property of the municipality pursuant to this license shall be responsible for the payment of, and shall pay, both current and potential real and personal property taxes when due. Furthermore, in accordance with the requirements of RSA 72:23, I (b), the licensee (s) and any other entity using and /or occupying property of the municipality pursuant to this license shall be obligated to pay real and personal property taxes on structures or improvements added by the licensee (s) or any other entity using or occupying the property of the licensor pursuant to this license.

The amendment to all pole licenses set forth in the preceding two paragraphs shall take effect on January 10, 2017, and shall remain in effect until changed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 231:163.”

M. Schwarz seconds the motion, all in favor. Board signed resolution and letters.

J. Bailey motions to close public hearing at 6:37 PM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

**Signature Action:**

- M. Schwarz motions to approve the minutes from the 12/05/2016 as written, J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.
- Dead River and Irving tax exemption diesel and gasoline usage agreement signed by the chairman of the board.
- Investment policy signed by all members of the board.
- Abatement denial signed by all board members.
- Tax deferral letter to collect past deferral amount for one property location, signed by all board members.

## Old Business:

- Officer Hyde is requesting his ballistic vest that was fitted for him when he was employed here. Chief Blodgett will look into the location of his vest. M. Schwarz makes a motion to grant Officer Hyde the request for the vest.
- J. Hotchkiss speaks about the New Durham Planning Board hearing that he attended regarding the gravel pit that is in plan to be put in on Kings Highway in New Durham. The plan did not go through yet due to the application not being completed. There was also supposed to be a regional impact study completed which had not been done. The applicant also needs to apply for an exemption through the New Durham Zoning Board as well. There are more meetings to follow.
- Department Heads
  - Town Clerk/Tax Collector monthly reports provided. J. Bailey read aloud the amounts that came into the Town Clerk.
  - Police- Chief Blodgett provided a report to the board. He speaks about left over K-9 equipment that he would like to donate to Farmington who will be responding to most of our K-9 needed calls. M. Schwarz motions to donate the unneeded items to Farmington. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor. Blodgett mentions another part-time officer looking to come aboard. Chief Blodgett speaks about a lease program for new cruisers. This program allows stretching the payments out. This would need to be put in front of the townspeople to change the current process. Concerns with individuals not doing the 20 MPH speed limit through the school zone.
  - Assessing- All good
  - Planning Board- Still working on the CIP. Public Hearing was held Thursday for zoning ordinances.
  - Welfare- verbal report given.
  - Highway- no report
  - Conservation- no report.
  - Zoning- Nothing to report.
  - Emergency Management- all is quiet
  - Code Enforcement- Holidays have been quiet. Annual report is being completed. 56 to 80 permits this year.
  - Treasury- reports given to the board.
  - School- Meeting scheduled for this Wednesday.
  - Cemetery-no report
  - Fire- 2016 calls around 200. 143 EMS calls, 70 fire calls. Discussion regarding the age of the ambulance. Have a member graduating firefighter 1 and one member to graduate EMT class.
- **New Business**
- Paul Taylor comes to the board regarding his trash not being picked up at his new over 50 development. He assures that he plows and sands the private road in preparation for Waste Management. He doesn't understand why Waste Management will not come and pick up the trash at each building in the development and he cannot be picking up the trash for his rentals. J. Hotchkiss read aloud a section of the Waste Management contract.
- March voting times and location- voting will be at the Highway Department. Discussion on the times being accommodating to the public. M. Schwarz motions to have voting from 7:00 Am to 7:00 PM as long as Jack Savage approves. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor. L. parker will check with Jack Savage.

- Town meeting location will be the Highway Garage at 9:00 AM.

### **Public Participation**

J. Mammone asked if L. Parker was salaried or hourly. She is currently hourly. He speaks about how L. Parker is making up hours that she is on EMS calls. He would like to see the position salaried. She is doing the town a favor by responding and J. Mammone feels it is not fair that she is always making up time.

J. Fournier asked if the New Durham gravel pit plan was withdrawn. It was not, it is just on hold until the needed things are completed.

J. Fournier asked if the state could put a traffic counter on Route 153. J. Hotchkiss advised that it is Strafford Regional Planning that has the counters, not the state.

J. Bailey motions to enter into non-public per RSA 91-A:3 II a at 8:31 PM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J. Bailey motions to reenter public session at 9:08 AM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

M. Schwarz motions to change full time certified part time employees to \$20.00 per hour and regular part time employees to \$18.00. This will be for all part time employees including current employees. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

J. Bailey motions to not seal the minutes of the non-public session. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

J. Bailey motions to adjourn at 9:11 PM. M. Schwarz seconds, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Laura Parker, Administrative Assistant