

MONKTON SELECTBOARD MEETING

MONKTON TOWN HALL

January 26, 2012- Minutes

Approved: 2/13/12

Members Present: John Phillips, Stephen Pilcher, Peter Norris, Terry Cunningham, Anne Layn

Others Present: Charles Roumas, Sharon Gomez

Call to Order: John Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Regular Business

Warrants

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Old Business

Budget Review

- **Public Audit**
Charles Roumas, Sharon Gomez, and the Select Board reviewed the recommendations from the public audit.
- **Pay Rates**
The minimum wage has increased to \$8.60. The assistant treasurer, the auditors, the town health officer, and the listers have had a pay raise suggested. These increases were discussed among those present.
- **Town Road Crew**
The Select Board has agreed to pay an increase of \$1000 per town road crew employee toward their healthcare co-pay for the 2012 budget year. The Select board would like to thank the road crew for their devotion and detail to our roads.

Town Meeting Day Preparation

The Select Board reviewed and discussed the warning for Town Meeting day. Changes were made to the articles as needed and an order was decided.

Articles

- Truck replacement- Shall the voters of the Town of Monkton approve a sum not to exceed \$190,000 for the purchase of a new tandem truck and plow set up?
- Monkton Rd culvert- The Monkton Rd. culvert project was discussed among the Select Board members. Shall the voters of the Town of Monkton authorize the expenditure of up to \$225,000.00 to replace a culvert on the Monkton-Vergennes Road and borrowing of up to \$225,000.00 less any grants from the State of Vermont, to pay for the project?

New Business

Town Garage Propane

John Phillips presented the board members with quotes from several companies for propane gas. Peter Norris reported that some companies will offer a discount if you own the tank. It was recommended that the prices may be at a better rate in April. The Select Board will request quotes for propane in the spring.

Unified Planning Document

The Select Board discussed the timeline and process of the Unified Planning Document. Peter Norris suggested the Town of Monkton refer to the 1986 zoning regulations until the town residents vote on them on February 23rd, 2012. If adopted by vote then the new regulations are effective as of the day voted on. The Select Board consulted legal and state consultants regarding the 150 day clock reset date. It was noted that there was not a clear cut answer. The Select Board decided as a board that the 1986 zoning regulations effective until the special vote on February 23rd, 2012. Stephen Pilcher suggested the Select Board authorize the town clerk to send a postcard to all households regarding the special vote for the zoning regulations on February 23rd, 2012.

Next Meeting

The next regular Select Board meeting will be held on Monday, February 13th, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Anne Layn, seconded by Stephen Pilcher. The motion was approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Respectively Submitted,
Bailee Layn-Gordon

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