

**MONKTON SELECTBOARD MEETING  
MONKTON TOWN HALL  
MINUTES**

**DATE: Monday January 12, 2015**

(Approved 2/23/15)

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** Stephen Pilcher called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.
- 2) **ATTENDANCE:**
  - a. **SELECTBOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Ann Layn, Roger Parker, John McNerney, and Stephen Pilcher.
  - b. **SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Henry Boisse.
  - c. **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Bill Joos, Catherine Shahan
- 3) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Selectboard received and reviewed a resignation letter from Joe Boisse dated 01/10/2015 effective immediately from the Listers.
- 4) **REGULAR BUSINESS:**
  - a. **APPROVE MINUTES:** The Selectboard reviewed **minutes from December 15, 2014. R Parker moved to approve as written, A. Layn seconded. Voted and passed, 3-0-1. J McNerney abstained**  
  
The Selectboard reviewed the **minutes from December 29, 2014. J. McNerney moved to approve as written, RP seconded. Voted and passed 4-0-0.**
  - b. **REVIEW AND APPROVE CHECK WARRANTS:**

• A/P #41229	12/29/14	\$ 11,161.11
• A/P #41230	12/30/14	\$21,224.00
• P/R #41231	12/31/14	\$ 775.73
• P/R #50112	01/02/15	\$ 7,707.23
  - c. **REVIEW AND APPROVE OVERWEIGHT PERMITS, ETC.:** The Selectboard reviewed and approved the following overweight permit:
    - D&F Excavating & Paving, Inc.
  - d. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **APPOINT INTERIM LISTER:** Sam Burr has requested that he be appointed as interim Lister. **J. McNerney moved to appoint Sam as interim lister for the remainder of Joe Boisse's term, expiring March 2015. A. Layn seconded. Voted and passed 4-0-0.**
- b. **MAILING OF TOWN REPORTS:** The Town Clerk has questioned sending out town reports by mail. Last year 722 town reports were sent out costing approximately \$600. **J. McNerney moved to continue mailing out town reports to every registered voting household. R. Parker seconded. Voted and passed, 4-0-0.**
- c. **2015 CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE:** S. Pilcher brought to the attention of the board that a certificate of highway mileage needs to be submitted. It was determined that no changes have been made to the mileage.

**J. McNerney moved to approve the certificate of highway mileage. R. Parker seconded. Voted and passed, 4-0-0.**

6) **OLD BUSINESS:**

a. **SOCIAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES AND DISCUSSION :**

- Catherine Shahan from Monkton Mentor Program has requested \$500 for the 2015-2016 school year. The money would aid in paying for a part time coordinator, supplies, and possibly lunches for the mentors who are volunteers. The program is not currently part of the school budget. A. Layn, R. Parker, and J. McNerney feel that this should be part of the School Budget and not part of the town budget. R. Parker feels that the Selectboard should deny the \$500 and the school should be approached next year. A. Layn suggested fundraising.

**J. McNerney moved to approve the \$500 request on a one time basis. There was no second on this motion. Motion failed.**

- A. Layn proposed to decrease the Mary Johnson Center funding to \$250, and the other \$250 would go to the Monkton Mentor Program. R. Parker feels the town or school should not be responsible for funding the Mary Johnson Center program.

**R. Parker moved to eliminate Monkton Mentor Program and Mary Johnson Center funding from the budget. A. Layn Seconded. Voted and passed 4-0-0.**

b. TOWN WARNING AND ARTICLES:

- S. Pilcher provided to the board the current articles for town meeting. Wayne Preston will not have a trade in value for a vehicle until it is to be traded in.
- S. Pilcher asked Bill Joos if the Fire Station bond could be paid off early. This needs to be researched and Bill is unsure if this is possible, but he will check and see if this is an option and what kind of fees will be incurred by paying the bond off early.
- S. Pilcher sent an email to VLCT regarding potential articles for the Municipal Park and Ride. This article will not be added unless petitioned by 5% of the voters.
- S. Pilcher mentioned to the Selectboard the option of an article for Australian ballot and absentee ballot for town meeting.

c. 2015 BUDGET: S. Pilcher passed out a new draft of the budget for the Selectboard to review.

d. DRAFT SELECTBOARD REPORT REVIEW: There was no discussion.

7) **OTHER BUSINESS:**

a. DETERMINE TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on January 26, 2015 at 7:00pm.

8) **ADJOURNMENT:**

**J. McNerney moved to adjourn at 8:47PM, A. Layn seconded. Voted and passed 4-0-0.**

Minutes submitted by Miranda Boe

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