

MONKTON SELECTBOARD MEETING
MONKTON TOWN HALL
MINUTES
DATE: Monday December 12, 2016
(Approved 12/19/16)

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** S. Pilcher called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. **ATTENDANCE:**

Members in Attendance: Stephen Pilcher, John McNerney, Henry Boisse, Roger Parker.

Members Absent: Ann Layn

Others in Attendance: Ken Wheeling (ZA), Sam Burr, Chris Slesar, Steve Parren, Logan LeCompte.

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS.** There have been compliments on the park and ride lot.

4. **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

- **APPROVE MINUTES:** The Board reviewed the minutes from November 28, 2016. Corrections were made. **H. Boise moved to approve the minutes as amended. J. McNerney seconded this motion. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0-1, R. Parker abstained.**
- **REVIEW AND APPROVE CHECK WARRANTS:**
 - P/R #61128 11-28-2016 \$ 10,235.77
 - P/R #61216 12-12-2016 \$ 8,518.65
 - A/P #61121 11-21-2016 \$ 50,625.81
 - P/R #61130 11-30-2016 \$ 3,339.68
 - A/P #61122 11-22-2016 \$ 24,707.10
- **REVIEW AND APPROVE OVERWEIGHT PERMITS, ETC.:** None.
- **PUBLIC COMMENT (Guests):** Chris Slesar and Steve Parren discussed the Wildlife Crossing surplus funds \$5,447.92 is the current balance. There is \$8,000 that, at this time, might remain unused from the state funds. At this time there are no outstanding bills, but there are some elements that were not done due to lack of funding which might be reinstated if funding is available. This will be investigated. If AOT confirms that there is still a balance then the conservation Commission may approach the Selectboard with a proposal.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- BUDGET REVIEW: The Selectboard reviewed the Road Crew budget with Logan LeCompte. Discussion ensued. Further pricing will be provided.

The Board reviewed other sections of the budget.

- RESIDENTIAL BUILDING ENERGY STANDARD: Ken Wheeling has been passing out this energy form which the homeowner is supposed to file with the town prior to issuing a certificate of occupancy. This has not always been getting filed. One copy should go to state, one copy posted on electrical panel, and one copy recorded in the town records. In the future, a Certificate of Occupancy will be withheld until the copy has been filed.
- TOWN OF MONKTON / HINSDALE SETTLEMENT: 2015 taxes were grieved. 3 independent lots, 2 of which crossed the town boundary. One lot was appraised as a 5 acre building lot which is incorrect. The appraisal value went from \$94k to \$60k. Mr. Hinsdale will be owed money for years 2015 and 2016 **R. Parker moved to approve the stipulation and agreement for Clark Hinsdale and town of Monkton. Voted and passed, 4-0-0.** The Selectboard has requested a copy of the settlement document(s).
- CREDIT CARD POLICY: The Board reviewed the Town of Monkton credit card policy. \$2,000.00 limit. Town Clerk and Treasurer will be authorized users of this credit card, and it will be stored in the vault. **R. Parker moved to approve the CC policy as written, H. Boisse seconded. Voted and passed 4-0-0.**
- ARTICLES FOR TOWN MEETING: No discussion
- REVIEW SELECTBOARD REPORT: No action taken.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- DOG VIOLATION STATUS: No action taken.
- PARK AND RIDE STATUS: No action taken.
- FIRE STATION ADDITION STATUS: No action taken.

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

- EMPLOYEE BENEFITS: The Board briefly discussed the policy as to when a new eligible employee can sign up for benefits. This policy will be reviewed further

- DETERMINE TIME/DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on December 19, 2016.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

H. Boise moved to adjourn at 9:18pm, R. Parker seconded this motion.

Voted and passed 4-0-0.