

Town of Middleton
Board of Selectmen Meeting
September 9, 2019

Called to order at 6:30 P.M

BOS Members Present: J. Bailey, J. Hotchkiss, J. James Knapp

Pledge Recited

Signature Action:

- J. Knapp moves to approve the Board of Selectmen's meeting minutes dated 08/26/2019 as written. J. Bailey seconds, all in favor.

Old Business:

- ❖ Fire addition – J. Knapp says trim work still needs to be done. Grading is coming along. Electrical is next for bid.
- ❖ Cell tower -waiting for antennas to be put up. J. Coskie speaks on this
- ❖ Sierra Pawnell – J. Hotchkiss goes over what her hours and days will be – Two days a week as assessing clerk, One day a week as Kathleen's deputy.

New Business

- ❖ Fire Department - Chief Lawrence talks about Pond Rd. fire, they lost everything. EMS had 86 calls. Fire had 86. G. Parks passed his EMS test. Thermal imaging cameras need to be installed. Engine 1 needs new back tires. EMS conference in October, he is hoping some of his crew will go. Chief Lawrence wanting to price out lockers for EMS. \$1500-2000 for nine lockers.
- ❖ Cemetery – J. Kalor wants to know if there is state funding. J. Hotchkiss talks about what to do with the CRF money for the cemetery, if we as a town decide not to have one. It must go to the town meeting for a vote, to see if they can put the money somewhere else.
- ❖ ACO – T. Jone explains that she got 11 calls – Complaints ranging from welfare checks to aggressive dogs. Five loose dogs, two cats.
- ❖ Highway Dept – Having a hard time getting a mower.
- ❖ School Board – Nothing to report.
- ❖ Town Clerk/Tax Collector – Gave reports
- ❖ Police – J. Hotchkiss welcomes new Chief Cooper. Chief talks about number of incidents – 41 and 1 arrest, 0 motor vehicle accidents.
- ❖ Code Enforcement – Nothing to report.
- ❖ Conservation Committee – Nothing to report.
- ❖ Assessing – K. Blaney explains BTLA. Has had 3 appeals.
- ❖ Zoning – J. Hotchkiss said they had one application.
- ❖ Welfare – Nothing to report.
- ❖ Planning Board – J. Bailey states they are making updates to the book.
- ❖ Emergency Management – Nothing to report.
- ❖ J. Kalor – States issue with the recent fire call, and one of the department employee's blaring down Dudley Drive. There is no reason for this. Chief Lawrence said he will take care of it. Chief Cooper responded saying you have to take "due care" when you are responding to a call.
- ❖ Painting bid – J. Hotchkiss received two bids from George Charratee for the Fire Station and Old Town Hall. \$4200, first bid was for the new addition only. J. Knapp said he has another bid, K. Anderson, who is much cheaper, but did not have the bid. Old Town Hall bid was for \$13,500.00. J. Hotchkiss said that was the lowest bid he received. J. Hotchkiss wants to know from audience if they should accept bid. J. Coskie says go for it, vote. R. Keegan said bring it to vote. J. Knapp moves to accept bid. J. Bailey seconds. All agreed. Paint bid for Old Town Hall accepted for \$13,500.00.

- ❖ Panic button for upstairs. J. Hotchkiss explains the importance of why it is needed. J. Knapp will get with Chief Cooper to see what would be needed to get this done.

Motion to adjourned 8:01pm

To go into non-public meeting at 8:01 RSA 91A

Public Participation

J. Kalor wants to know if a fence is going around the cell tower. J. Knapp said he would think so.

J. Coskie wants to know if there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for Fire Station addition. J.

Hotchkiss said definitely.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kathleen Blaney, Deputy Administrative Assistant

Approved By
Board of Selectmen



