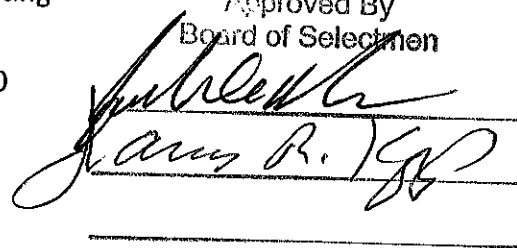


Town of Middleton
Board of Selectmen Meeting

November 23rd , 2020

Approved By
Board of Selectmen



James R. Knapp

Called to order at 6:30 P.M

BOS Members Present: J. Knapp, J. Varga, J. Hotchkiss

Pledge Recited

Signature Action:

- J. Varga moves to approve the Board of Selectmen's meeting minutes dated 11/09/2020 as written. With one change of 40,000 to 41,000 J. Knapp seconds, all in favor.

Old Business:

Department head meeting being held on the 8th at the old town hall.

Salt shed roof is done and listen to the tape.

Fire and Rescue a little discussion on per diem and the bill we got from Milton. Joe Varga has 5 thoughts nothing more and wants to look into it.

1. Do what we are doing.
2. Per diem about 100,000
3. Change job descriptions for Town Clerk, Bookkeeper, and Pd
4. Sub out Ambulance
5. Neighboring town

Chief Bourdeau states that the Stewarts option could be up to 20 minutes response time.

Jeff Eldridge states it's definitely a 15-minute response and you got to remember traffic and weather-related stuff.

Discussion on why not to use Stewarts from multiple residents. Tracy Donovan Laviolette presented two arguments on why not to use Stewarts.

1. She received a bill of 2900.00 from Stewarts. Just for two EMT with no meds and only went .70 miles to the hospital.
2. They also released two minors from a scene.

J. Varga none of this is set in stone. We need to find the best option for the Town. Hear the tape for Andrea and griffin. J. Knapp short term is going the way we are going. J. Varga talked with Lawyer on the Milton bill. He does not have any option for the short term. J. Bourdeau really needs to focus on the daytime coverage first. J. Bourdeau also states budget season is hear so we need to figure out this sooner than later. Andrea Wants to know if we are going to form Committee. J. Varga states yes. Andrea states that she thinks the people who know about this the most Current EMT and Fire should be on this committee so J. Varga knows where they are coming from. R. Keegan states we could get rid of one of the positions at the HWY department and use that to pay for the per diem for EMT and Fire. Listen to the tape. Seasonal guy has been hired. J Knapp wants to know when we can interview the selectmen. Andrea wants to know if we can do it in non public. J varga will let me know if we can do it non public. Tracy wants to know if Jon Hotchkiss leaving was planned. J varga said unfortunately it was not planned. J. Varga states that hopefully in the next few weeks selectmen meetings will be video taped and hoping to have live streams as well. R. Keegan asks if the tax rate is set yet. K. Blaney states not yet, have been working with the auditor and state to get everything in that is needed. Hoping to have this done within the next couple of days.

Motion to adjourn @ 7:21 P.M

New Business:

Respectfully submitted by:

Kathleen Blaney, Deputy Administrative Assistant