

**Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
Wednesday March 11, 2015
5:00PM
Court Room**

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order by Catherine A. Osten, First Selectman at 5:00PM. Present were Selectmen Denise Dembinski and Cheryl Blanchard. Also present was Chris Arpin from Troop 73- Town of Lisbon.

2. Pledge of allegiance

Led by Chris Arpin

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to add 2a to the agenda.

2a.To approve an Eagle Scout project proposed by Chris Arpin.

Chris Arpin proposed a project that includes the clearing of trails on the Watson Property; asking for the Board of Selectmen's approval. He will be working in conjunction with the Conservation Commission.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve as outlined on the map known as the Watson property to create trails as an Eagle Scout project in conjunction with the Conservation Commission, unanimously voted. Navigating the Eagle Scout Service project Form was handed in by Chris Arpin.

3. Review and act on minutes of Regular Meeting, February 11, 2015.

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to approve the minutes of 2/11/2015, unanimously voted.

4. Act on request for tax refund for overpayment of taxes.

None

5. Review the 2015/2016 Budget.

- Board reviewed the General Operating Budget
- The Board reviewed backup documentation which will be forwarded to the Board of Finance. This document shows the estimates and actuals for the insurance, lights, heating and street lighting accounts indicating the reduction in spending over the past three-four years.

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to approve the 2015/2016 budget pending the Board of Finance's approval, unanimously voted.

6. Re-adopt the Fair Housing Resolution

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to re-adopt the Fair Housing Resolution, unanimously voted.

7. Re-adopt the Fair Housing Policy Statement

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to re-adopt the Fair Housing Policy Statement, unanimously voted.

8. Re-adopt the Title VI Equal Opportunity – Fair Housing Plan

Motion made by C. Blanchard, seconded by D. Dembinski to re-adopt the Title VI Equal Opportunity – Fair Housing Plan, unanimously voted.

9. Re-adopt the Affirmative Action Policy Statement

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to re-adopt the Affirmative Action Policy Statement, unanimously voted.

10. Baltic Fire Department tax abatement – requesting \$9,000 to the Board of Selectmen.

Letter sent by Les Shull Fire Chief for the Baltic Fire Engine Co. re: Ordinance 2001-3 which specifies that the Baltic Fire Dept. make a proposal of the total amount for tax abatement to the Board of Selectmen by March 31st of each year; to forward to the Board of Finance for final approval.

11. Selectman’s report

- Economic Development Commission reestablished, met on March 10th – moving forward to extend the Enterprise zone; looking for new members.
- Projects moving forward – Fire Dept. painting almost completed.
- Budget on Storm Materials line will be over due to the harsh winter.
- Public Works – repairing pot holes.
- Public Hearing – 2015 Small Cities Program – March 19th at 7:00PM.
- Special meeting Board of Selectmen - to be held after March 19th

12. Public comment

None

13. Adjournment

Motion made by D. Dembinski, seconded by C. Blanchard to adjourn the meeting at 6:00PM, unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by,

Catherine A. Osten
First Selectman

These minutes are subject to approval at the April 8th meeting.