Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 24, 2020, 10:00 a.m.

Corner Meeting House

Chairman Ruth Mooney called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Also present were Selectman Claude Patten, Selectman Jon Pike, Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin, Assistant Town Administrator Alicia Jipson, DPW Director Craig Clairmont, and Fire Chief Mike Newhall.

Those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Abatements, Manifests, Exemptions & Credits

The appropriate abatements, exemptions, credits and manifests were signed by all attending Board members.

Selectman Patten moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 3, 2020 as written; seconded by Selectman Pike and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing

Chairman Mooney opened the Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m., in accordance with RSA 31:95-c to take public comment on the purpose of the Special Revenue Fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund. This is the required second hearing. TA Beaudin noted that the total expenditures being proposed to be restricted are $129,500. With no additional public comments, Selectman Mooney closed the Public Hearing at 10:04.

New Business

Mill 2nd Floor Flooring- TA Beaudin note that the carpeting that is in the Senior Center space on the 2nd floor is beyond cleaning and in very bad shape and has been stained by food over the years. Janet would like to use the space to expand her programs as they have outgrown the space that they are currently using. Our Building & Grounds supervisor has provided an estimate of about $2,100 to complete the flooring, with himself and Patrick doing the install work.

Other New Business
FD Sewer Issue- TA Beaudin addressed that for some time now we have been having sewer issues at the FD with backup. We have addressed it many times and sought multiple opinions of plumbers and there just is no other way to fix the issue other than tear up the floor and replace the drainage and address the issue. Selectman Pike would like verbal communication and a letter sent to the contractor who performed the work on the FD. Collectively as a Board they agreed to fixing the issue.

Public Hearing

Chairman Mooney opened the Public Hearing at 10:15 a.m., to take public comment on allowing the operation of sports book retail locations within the Town of Belmont. Selectman Pike noted that he canvased local businesses and restaurants who might be affected by this and invited them to show up and show support, however there was no one from the public in attendance. With no additional public comments, Selectman Mooney closed the Public Hearing at 10:18.

Non-Public

Chairman Mooney moved to enter non-public session in accordance with RSA 91: A:3 II (c) at 10:19 a.m. Those present and voting were Ruth Mooney, Claude Patten and Jon Pike. Also present were TA Beaudin and Asst. TA Jipson.

The non-public session concluded at 10:45 a.m.

Ruth P. Mooney, Chairman
Claude B. Patten, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Jon Pike, Selectman