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Town of Danville
Board of Selectmen
November 30, 2015
7:00 pm

Meeting televised

Selectmen Present: Chairman Shawn O'Neil, Vice-chair Chris Giordano, Kimberly Farah, Sheila Johannesen, Joshua Horns

Others present: Mary Ann DiStephano, Sharon Woodside, Ann Powers, Kathy Beattie, Judi Cogswell, Dottie Billbrough, Tom Billbrough, Jr., Sarah Gagnon-Weston, Mary Elizabeth Seals, Mark Sullivan

Chairman O'Neil opened the meeting with a moment of silence for the troops who put themselves in harm's way. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. Delegate - None

II. Budget

4589.1 Recreation - Farah made the motion, seconded by Johannesen, to approve the 4589.1 Recreation budget for \$11,500; motion passed. \$500.00 was removed from the \$3000.00 budgeted for Old Home Day events. Kathy Beattie conveyed a message that Chief Parsons asked that a light be obtained for Day Field for foot traffic to the parking lot after a movie night or evening event.

Farah stated she saw Allan Hess stringing the lights for the Christmas tree and O'Neil noted that Allan does a lot in the community including putting up the flags on the poles along Main Street for Memorial Day. Patty was asked to draft a letter of thanks to Allan.

4550 Library Administration - Giordano made the motion, seconded by Horns, to approve the 4550 Library Administration budget for \$230,529.00; motion passed. Farah voted no. Farah commented that the library budget has continually risen and currently reflects a 33% increase since 2010.

III. Signature File/Minutes

Selectmen signed the 2015-24 Payroll and Vendor Warrants.

Johannesen made the motion, seconded by Giordano, to appoint Cara Fatout to the Recreation Committee; motion passed.

Selectmen accepted the resignation of Patti Sarcione, Deputy Treasurer, effective 12/31/15. It was noted that the filling of this position is by appointment of the Treasurer.

Selectmen signed letters of thanks for Betsy Sanders and Patti Sarcione. Giordano made the motion, seconded by Horns, to authorize the Chair to sign the Bartlett Tree Company agreement; motion passed and the agreement was signed. Johannesen made the motion, seconded by Giordano, to authorize the Chair to sign the Dragon Permit application; motion passed and permit application was signed.

Johannesen made the motion, seconded by Giordano, to approve the November 23, 2015 minutes as amended; motion passed.

IV. Old/New Business - updates

Selectmen reviewed the quote received from Hampstead Consultants and Farah stated that the scope of the study was not what she had envisioned; the focus was too narrow. O'Neil stated he would contact Sal Moccia and it was determined that three written quotes were needed. O'Neil stated he would take care of this.

Johannesen asked about 599 Main Street oversight and O'Neil stated he had not talked to Kim Burnham yet due to the short work week [Thanksgiving].

Selectmen discussed the sprinkler system slated for the elementary school and it was noted that the drills are done continually; the facility is one floor. Sprinklers activate at approximately 165 degrees and it was thought that a temperature notification system would be not only be more cost effective but would trigger evacuation a lot sooner than an actual fire. O'Neil stated that the school district was looking to spend \$700,00 on a facility valued at \$5.2 million. Patty was asked to contact Fire Chief Woitkun and get his input on what type of fire suppression system would best benefit the elementary school and also have the State Fire Marshall's input as well.

Farah stated that she sent to Patty a chain of emails she received from Rob Collins. She said that Rob implied that the school board would be budgeting \$40,000 in their legal budget to combat the Warrant Article that they heard Farah will write to withdraw from the school district. Farah stated she had never stated she was going to write such an article.

Selectmen discussed solar panels and how the property assessment and tax credit/exemptions may apply to a home owner that has invested in this alternative power source. It was noted that there is an RSA that discusses Solar Power. Patty stated that Fred/Town Assessor would be in tomorrow [Tuesday] and she would talk to him about this.

O'Neil noted that he had sent a letter to the Superintendent and School Board of our regional district regarding the DRA requirements for submitting the district's MS forms for setting the tax rate, specifically regarding Timberlane's continual tardiness in submitting this report. He stated that Johannesen had taken her problem about the letter to social media stating that it was sent on the Board's behalf without the Board's permission. Johannesen responded that she received a call from a resident who told her about the blog. O'Neil stated he took offense to the comments written on social media by Johannesen and noted that social media was not the place for a board members' opinion. O'Neil noted that this issue had been discussed at a previous meeting, input was given from the Board, and Farah had reviewed the draft letter before it was sent. O'Neil stated that although a 'formal' motion and vote had not been done, he believed he had the Board's consensus for his follow through of mailing the letter. Board members Giordano and Farah agreed with O'Neil. Giordano reiterated that a vote was not needed. He said this issue has been one that has been on-going. Johannesen did not agree, stating a board vote should have been taken; O'Neil is just one selectmen.

Giordano made the motion, seconded by Horns, to adjourn. Johannesen called for a non-public session. Patty informed Johannesen that a non-public meeting, like any other meeting, needed to be posted. She also stated that if a meeting is called that concerns specific personnel, that person must be notified and has the option of requesting that meeting in public session. Without the Chair having any specific information on the issue, no one is able to confirm that Johannesen's request meets the required criteria of a non-public session.

At 9:30pm, Giordano again made the motion, seconded by Horns, to adjourn; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Shogren
Administrator