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Town of Danville Board of Selectmen Minutes December 30, 2013 7:00pm

Selectmen Present: Shawn O'Neil, Chris Giordano, Michelle Cooper, Joshua Horns

Excused absence: Annemarie Inman

Others Present: Patricia Shogren-Selectmen's Administrator, Bruce Caillouette, Beth Caillouette

Attendees observed a moment of silence for our troops who put themselves in harm's way. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectmen Cooper, to open the public hearing for the donation of the Snack Shack to the Town by the Danville Youth League (DYL); motion passed. There were no audience questions or comments. Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectmen Horns, to close the public hearing; motion passed. Chairman O'Neil stated that the Selectmen would accept the donation at next week's Board of Selectmen's meeting.

I. Delegate

Road Agent Bruce Caillouette discussed with the Board the quotes he received for retrofitting the ambulance with a dump body and plow for the Highway Department. He recommended the body be done by Donovan's for \$9250.00 and the plow be purchased at Precision for \$7,600.00. The Board concurred with Bruce and accepted the \$16,850.00 for the retrofit and the purchase of a v-plow.

Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectmen Horns, to expend \$16,850.00 for the dump body and v-plow and encumber the funds from 4312.20 hw-650; motion passed.

Beth Caillouette confirmed Selectman Inman had read the Scope of services from CEI. Beth asked the Board sign the contract. Beth also stated the geo-dome and seesaw for the park would run \$926.00 over budget. She was told to order the playground equipment and submit the bill.

II. Recreational Vehicles: Fred Smith, Assessor

Selectmen reviewed an Administrative Abatement that Fred had recommended be approved. A recreational vehicle at Four Seasons had been taxed as property and when the owner received the bill, she provided documentation that the camper was registered so was not taxable as property and Fred recommended the property be abated. The Selectmen argued that the camper was lived in year round, used Town services, and had not moved for a number of years and should be subject to property taxes. Fred explained that four criteria needed to be met to be considered property and since the vehicle was registered, it did not meet one criterion. Fred agreed with the Selectmen's position but felt that the Supreme Court, by rulings in similar cases, would not support the Board's decision to tax the property. Following a lengthy discussion, the Selectmen thanked Fred for his time and his input.

III. Encumbrances / Warrant Articles

Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectman Horns, to encumber 2530.10 Unreserved Fund Balance for \$36,000 for the Ambulance Purchase (WA 2013-17); motion passed.

Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectman Horns, to encumber 4194.10 gb-430 for \$3,128.00 to Dave Collins for repairs currently being done to the Red School House; motion passed.

Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectman Horns, to encumber 4194.10 gb-430 for \$150.00 to Peter M. Doucet Electric for repairs currently being done in the Selectmen's office; motion passed.

Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectman Horns, to accept and move forward Warrant Article 2014-29 Town Clerk; motion passed.

Warrant Article 2014-32 was tabled until Selectman Inman's return.

IV. Signature File / Minutes

Selectman signed an Administrative Abatement, a request to the Treasurer for reimbursement from the Police Special Detail Revolving Fund, and a request to the Treasurer for reimbursement from the Public Safety Revolving Fund.

Vice-chair Giordano made the motion, seconded by Selectman Horns, to approve the December 23, 2013 minutes as amended; motion passed.

V. Old / New Business

Selectmen discussed the information provided by Dave Collins and the need to replace sheathing at the Red School House. It was stated that a yearly inspection needed to be done. It was determined that the Board would formally ask the Heritage Commission to oversee the Little Red School House as well as continue their oversight of the Webster Stage Stop and Store. Patty was asked to draft a letter making this request.

Chairman O'Neil read a letter received from DRA Director Stephan W. Hamilton dated December 23, 2013, that reversed DRA's initial decision to disallow WA 2012-17. Chairman O'Neil asked that the letter be included as an attachment in these minutes. Patty verified that the check given to the Treasurer to deposit monies into this fund had been done.

Chairman O'Neil read the announcements and wished camera operator Maren Denison well as she heads off to college next month.

At 9:00pm Selectman Cooper made the motion, seconded by Vice-chair Giordano, to adjourn; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Shogren Selectmen's Administrator