

Milton Special Selectboard Meeting

November 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Community Room of the Municipal Complex

Selectboard Members Present: Kenneth Nolan, Vice Chair; John Bartlett, Member; John Palasik, Clerk, John Cushing, Member

Selectboard Members Not Present: Darren Adams; Chair

Staff Members Present: Donna Barlow Casey, Town Manager; Erik Wells, Director of Administration; Sarah Macy, Finance Director; Brett Van Noordt, Police Chief; Don Turner, Fire/Rescue Chief

Others Present: Courtney Lamdin

I. Call to Order

Nolan called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

II. Flag Salute

Nolan led attendees in a salute of the flag

III. Agenda Review

Barlow Casey requested an executive session for contract negotiations is added.

IV. Public Forum

None

V. FY '18 Budget Discussions

A. Police

Van Noordt provided an overview and answered questions on the proposed Police Department FY '18 budget. It has a proposed 5.2% increase (\$61,815) driven by personnel costs, the regional dispatch contract and gasoline. The Board directed Macy to decrease the amount budgeted for gasoline across Departments to \$2.40 per gallon.

B. Animal Control

Macy provided an overview of the proposed FY '18 Animal Control Budget, it has minimal proposed changes. The Board requested that the payment structure for Animal Control Officers be examined.

C. Fire/Rescue

Turner provided an overview and took questions on the proposed FY '18 Fire and Rescue Department Budgets. The biggest challenge on the Rescue side he stated in increased call volume and staffing- especially during the day. Rescue's increase proposal is 15.9% or \$48,470 driven primarily by adding more per diem daytime

44 chief hours. Daytime coverage is especially challenging, and the volunteers who
45 cover some of those shifts have been fantastic, Turner said. But there is a
46 vulnerability to the Department with thin resources. The fire proposed budget is up
47 3.5% or \$9,735 driven by personnel costs and the regional dispatch contract.
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49 **VI. Executive Session Per V.S.A. Title 1 Section 313**

50 Palasik moved to find premature public knowledge about contract negotiations
51 would cause the Town or person to suffer a substantial disadvantage. Second by
52 Bartlett. **Approved unanimously.**

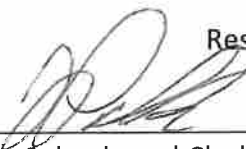
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54 Palasik moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations under
55 the provisions of V.S.A. Title 1 Section 313 and include Barlow Casey and Wells.
56 Second by Bartlett. **Approved unanimously.**

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58 Bartlett moved to close executive session, Second by Palasik. **Approved**
59 **unanimously. Nolan closed executive session at 9:05 PM.**

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61 **There was no action as a result of executive session.**

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63 **I. Adjournment**

64 Bartlett moved to adjourn, Second by Palasik. **Approved unanimously. Nolan**
65 **adjourned the meeting at 9:06 PM.**

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68 Respectfully Submitted,
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70 _____ Date: 12/19/16
71 John Palasik, Selectboard Clerk

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73 Filed with Milton Town Clerk's Office on this 28th day of December, 2016

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75 ATTEST: Jenny Billington, Asst. Milton Town Clerk