Milton Selectboard Special Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2016 6:00 P.M.

Municipal Building Community Room

Selectboard Members Present: Darren Adams, Chair; John Bartlett, Clerk; John Cushing, Member; Kenneth Nolan, Member

Selectboard Members Not Present: none

Staff Members Present: Donna Barlow Casey, Town Manager; John Gifford, Interim Finance Director; Roger Hunt, Public Works Director; Erik Wells, Director- Administration & Community Services; Kym Duchesneau, Recreation Coordinator; Nathan Lavallee, Water/Wastewater Superintendent; Meghan Bellavance, Library Director

Others Present: Courtney Lamdin, Milton Independent

I. Call to Order – Adams called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM

II. Flag Salute – Adams led the attendees in a Salute to the Flag.

III. Agenda Review- None

IV. Public Forum – Jen Dooley, Chair of the Library Trustees addressed the Board regarding the FY '17 budget. A letter was provided from the Trustees stating if the FY '17 budget retained a $5,000 reduction in the library budget the Trustees decided its open hours would need to decrease to absorb the adjustment. The Trustees requested the reduction be changed to $2,500. The Board thanked her for the discussion and her time.

V. Old Business

A. Water/ Wastewater Budget & Capital Items

Lavallee stated to begin that afternoon he discovered a major discrepancy regarding the amount of water purchased from the Champlain Water District and the amount billed in Q4 of 2015. This led him to believe there may be a major leak somewhere. He will come up with a strategy to solve this issue.

Lavallee then provided an overview of the proposed water and wastewater expense and revenue budgets that comprise the Town's enterprise fund. He recommends a 3% increase in both water and sewer rates for FY '17. Lavallee then went over his capital budget for FY ' 17.

VI. Reconsideration

A. Fiscal Year 2017 Budget and Capital Items

Barlow Casey presented a revised capital budget for FY '17 and a discussion covering its items followed. The Board asked that an update is made and presented at its January 18th meeting. The general fund allocation of $354,231 will remain in the proposed budget and the allocation of those funds will be decided by the Board at the future meeting. No further adjustments were made to the proposed FY '17 budget, the Board will hear feedback from the public at the budget social on Saturday, January 16th before moving to adopt the article for Town Meeting.

VII. Meeting Minutes from January 4

Bartlett moved to approve the meeting minutes from December 5 as presented. Second by Cushing. Approved unanimously. **Motion passes.**

VIII. Adjournment

Bartlett moved to adjourn the Selectboard meeting. Second by Cushing. Approved unanimously. **Motion passes.**

Adams adjourned Selectboard meeting at 9:55 PM

These proceedings were live-streamed and filmed by LCATV.

Respectfully Submitted,

_____ **Date:** 1/18/16

John Bartlett, Selectboard Clerk

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ATTEST: _____ **Milton Town Clerk**