

Dalton Select Board Meeting

Minutes of December 19, 2016

Present were Selectmen: Nancy McVetty and Jay McCusker

Called to order: 6:30 pm

Minutes for December 5, 2016 meeting were read. Nancy moved to accept the minutes as written Jay seconded the motion. Approved 2-0.

Checks were signed and bills gone over.

Bob Wentworth had a message read to the board updating them on the Pump Station pump repair situation. They were taken to AAA Pump Service in Manchester NH. He will have more information this week and feels they may be ready within a few weeks. Jay said he is comfortable with Bob handling it and Bob is keeping him updated.

The Dalton Ridge Runners snowmobile club brought in an abatement request. Jessie checked with NHMA attorney and he said that having them be tax exempt wasn't the way to go, but it is certainly the boards prerogative to abate any or all of their taxes. Since Nancy McVetty recused herself due to her snowmobile club involvement it could not be voted on officially.

Jessie read an email from Jim and Sandy Dannis saying thank you to the selectboard for working hard to keep taxes down in town. They feel as many people do that it is frustrating to keep our taxes so low while the county tax increases. Jay said, people need go to county meetings.

Gary Greenwood inquired about having a warrant article that would prevent anyone from running for a town office that had unpaid taxes. Nancy McVetty said she had inquired about that with NHMA and they advised that although there certainly could be such an article, it would not be binding, even if it passed. Gary then asked for the board to have an unpaid taxes list with owner listed in the town report. It was discussed. Dalton used to do that, and many towns still do. Nancy made a motion to go back to listing unpaid taxes and the property owners in the town report. Jay seconded it. Approved 2-0. Jay asked Jessie to put a notice in the paper and on the website advising Dalton taxpayers of that addition to the town report.

The annual public budget hearing was set for January 16, 2017 at 6 PM. Ads will be placed in the paper for several issues before the meeting.

The goal is to have the town report ready for press by February 13, 2017. Jessie will notify department heads of their January 31, 2017 deadline for submission of reports.

The public session was ended at 7:05 PM.

The board went into executive session to discuss a welfare case.

The board came out of executive session at 7:25 Pm.

Next Meeting January 02, 2017

Adjourned at 7:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

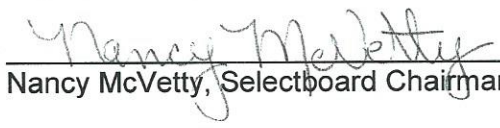
Jessie Wentworth Administrative Assistant
Dalton Selectboard

Minutes approved by the Selectboard Members on 1/2/17

Kathy Barden, Selectboard Member



Jay McCusker, Selectboard Member



Nancy McVetty, Selectboard Chairman