

Dalton Select Board Meeting

Minutes of March 18, 2019

Present were Selectmen: Jo Beth Dudley, Anna Goodbody, Carol Sheltry

Called to order 6:30 PM

Minutes were read. Anna Goodbody mentioned how well the Town has done with the last Selectboard of Nancy McVetty, Kathy Barden and Jay McKusker with the help of Jessie Wentworth, and hopes it will continue to prosper. All agreed.

Jessie resigned from the Town Admin position leaving the spot vacant. Proposed to have Jessie reconsider if another Minutes Secretary could be found. Jessie agreed if another Minutes Secretary could be found. Motion made, seconded, approved.

Town of Whitefield contacted for contract of Ambulance. Contract signed. Concern over Dalton EMT/EMS employees working in Whitefield while Dalton pays their wages. John Tholl spoke of a suggestion from Whitefield: When EMT/EMS personnel work in Whitefield, they will be paid by Whitefield. In discussion. Ron Sheltry spoke about increased work load. Agrees Whitefield should pay Whitefield's share. Jo Beth expressed desire to review contract when available. Ron spoke of possible regional ambulance service because of increased workload and not enough local people to cover.

Smoking Ban under entranceway to Town Building. 50 feet from entrance suggested. Jessie will look into it.

Anna asks if any new business. Jo Beth says we should appoint a new Chairperson. Jo Beth suggests Anna because of experience gained from meeting attendance. Carol says that elected, not appointed person should be Chair. People voted for a change, unfair. Much discussion among Board. Suggestion of Anna not seconded by Carol. Residents raise concerns about a person with no experience being Chair. Anna motions Jo Beth becoming Chair, Carol seconds, motion accepted.

Resident expresses concern over Selectboard meetings being working meetings or open for discussion meetings. Selectboard reassures resident that all meetings are open for discussion.

Any other business? Linda Greenwood, Town Treasurer, has paperwork for new Selectboard Chairman, and paperwork to sign by other two Selectboard members.

Jo Beth, any other business? Discussion? Nate Parks expresses desire to have committee to reinvigorate sense of pride in town. Non fundraising events to bring Dalton residents together.

Anyone interested in taking minutes or should we hire? Resident raises hand and volunteers. Vote needed? Motion made by Anna, seconded by Jo Beth, accepted.

Town auditor needs to be chosen by April.

New Selectboard to attend training session.

Selectboard member emails, John Tholl suggests using town email for security reasons.

Kenyon Tuttle speaks; caught off guard by the upset and change in Selectboard. Hopes the Selectboard can work together amicably to keep Dalton good. Glad Jessie reconsidered resignation, she is a wealth of knowledge. Town gave you authority to govern, not the power to rule. The power lies on this side of the table. Issues coming up regarding garbage dump in Dalton. Wishes Selectboard luck.

Meeting adjourned 7:00PM.

Next meeting March 25, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Kathan
Selectboard Minute Taker

Minutes approved by Selectboard Members on 3-25-19.

X Carol Sheltry

Carol Sheltry, Selectboard Member

X Anna Gilbody

Anna Gilbody, Selectboard Member

X Jo Beth Dudley

Jo Beth Dudley, Selectboard Chairman