Dalton Select Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes of October 7, 2019 Meeting

Present were Selectmen: Chair Jo Beth Dudley and Carol Sheltry

Called to order: 6:40 PM by Chair Dudley

Mike Barry and Rob Scott from White Mountain Regional High School were present to do a presentation on the proposed renovations and additions to the school building that will be presented as a Warrant Article at the district’s annual meeting in March 2020. Mike explained that they thought they had done a good job with the presentations the last time but still the proposal did not pass. This time they have cut the costs by half and are attempting to meet with all of the stack holders and sincerely would like honest feedback. This is the 3rd try to upgrade the building for safety, security of access and upgrading program space to better serve both the students and staff. Rob Scott went thru all the areas being upgraded or added and why. Brochures of the proposed changes were handed out as well as the cost. The projected cost three years ago was 24 million. This time the projected project cost is $12,900,000 with the state funding $6,800,000 which leaves community funding of $6,100,000. Dalton’s share would be under 1 million. 2 of the Handouts are available at the Town Office.

They will do a business presentation at the school October 17th. Mike Barry and Rob Scott answered questions from the floor and from the Select Board. At 7:25 PM Mike Barry and Rob Scott left the meeting.

Checks and other documents were signed and reviewed.

Zoning Applications:
The board again reviewed Michael Bowman’s Building Plan Application. He has not provided the fire chief with a detailed plan as requested. After discussion Jo Beth Dudley made the following motion: for the previously named Phase 1, to approve ONLY 2 apartments in the existing barn/garage (i.e.: outbuilding) with the following conditions: the current footprint of the barn/garage must be maintained. The current structure is non-conforming as to the setback requirements. Therefore, the building may be expanded through the addition of stairs or entry porches provided those added structures do not bring the building within 35 feet of an abutter’s building.
NO changes to the existing house (with three current apartments) are approved. Phase 2 and any subsequent Phases are not approved. All buildings must comply with NH State Fire and Building Codes, NH Septic approval and any other local or state requirements. Carol Sheltry 2nd the motion and the motion was approved by both selectmen.
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The board reviewed the For Sale forms for the former Police Cruiser and Map/Lot 401 31.02 and decided to list them as two separate ads. Minor changes, adding acres and changing the deposit amount for the land, were made to the forms presented. With the changes Jo Beth Dudley made a motion to accept the two items to be put out for sale as presented. Carol Sheltry seconded the motion which was approved by both selectmen.

Gordon Jobe presented a summary of the first ZBA meeting which was held on October 1st. Four of the five members were able to make the meeting. Chelsea Miller was elected Chair Person and Gordon Jobe was selected as scribe. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 17th at 6:00 PM.

A request from the audience was made for information on property on Faraway Road and whether a Double Wide Mobile Home would be approved for Building Use. They were given information on where to find the answers to their questions.

The Select Board reviewed the old and new format for Transfer Station pricing and information. Once that is approved by Kyle and Robert Wentworth copies will be made for posting at the transfer station and the Town Municipal Building.

Under New Business the Burdette Zoning Application was reviewed. It was determined that a Site Plan showing the lot, house footprint and the setbacks from the lot lines was needed. Also, before the application can be approved they will need to have the Planning Board approve a merge of lots so that the application will meet the setback requirements.

The minutes of the September 23rd Select Board meeting were presented for approval. A date was corrected on the minutes. A motion was made by Carol Sheltry, seconded by Jo Beth Dudley, to accept the minutes as corrected. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The three applications, Tamela Swan, Jon Swan, and Mike Noel, to fill the vacant Select Board position were reviewed. After discussion Carol Sheltry made a motion to nominate Tamela Swan for the board vacancy. Jo Beth Dudley seconded the motion and both selectmen voted in the affirmative.

A motion was made at 9:14 PM by Jo Beth Dudley to go into non-public session to discuss the Tax Collector’s properties to be deeded and also to discuss litigation. Carol Sheltry seconded the motion. With a roll call vote both Jo Beth Dudley and Carol Sheltry voter in favor of the motion.

The public session resumed at 9:26 PM.
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Jo Beth Dudley made a motion to seal the non-public minutes which motion was seconded by Carol Sheltry. Both voted in favor of the motion.

Carol Sheltry expressed concern that there was only $6,000 left in the highway department budget for the rest of the year. She wondered if they had large purchases left. Detail budget reports for each department will be printed and sent to the Selectmen and to the Department heads. Discussions will be held with all department heads to review the status of their current budget and proposed budgets for 2020.

There being no further business, at 9:38 PM Jo Beth Dudley made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Carol Sheltry. Both voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Next Regular Board meeting is October 21st at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Peabody
Temporary Administrative Assistant
Town of Dalton

October 7, 2019 Minutes as approved by the Selectboard on 10/21/19.

Carol Sheltry, Selectboard Member

Jo Beth Dudley, Selectboard Chairman
Carol Sheltry expressed concern that after payroll expenses there was only about $6,000 left in the highway department budget for the rest of the year. She wondered if they have any large purchases left. She also inquired what the $1300.00 expenditure from the Fire Department part time salaries. Detail budget reports for each department will be printed and sent to the Selectmen and to the Department heads. Discussions will be held with all department heads to review the status of their current budget and proposed budgets for 2020.