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# TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE SELECTBOARD

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## Minutes Selectboard Monday, March 11, 2019

Selectboard members present: Brendan Denehy, Eddie Arnold, Tom Humphreys, Valerie Ogden and Ron Olsen along with Town Administrator Tad Putney.

Also present: Brian Rater and Roger Ogden.

**6:30pm Brendan** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Input**

**Tad** said we have some upcoming changes at the Transfer Station regarding recyclables. The objective is to try to reduce the hauling costs of mix plastics, so we will be compacting all plastics. One of the recently added compactors will continue to be just for translucent #2 plastic containers. The most recently added compactor will be for all other mixed plastic. He also noted that the containers for aluminum cans and steel cans will be moved to where the two mixed plastics containers had been. **Tad** said this approach is the optimal step to reduce hauling costs. **Eddie** said the cost of disposing of glass has gone up considerably and we can now only accept jars and bottles with the lids removed. **Eddie** said there has been a lot of contamination, so please read signs and help by recycling in the correct bins.

#### **Approve Minutes**

Eddie moved, seconded by Ron, to approve the minutes from the Monday, February 25, 2019 meeting as written; Voted Yes 5-0. Eddie moved, seconded by Val, to accept two sets of non-public minutes from the Monday, February 25, 2019 meeting as written; Voted Yes 5-0. Brendan noted a correction to the November 19, 2018 non-public minutes that were unsealed at the last meeting. Tad said he edited the minutes to reference "Fairpoint" not "Eversource" before posting them to the website.

#### **Sign Warrants for Payment**

The Board signed Accounts Payable Warrant #9 in the amount of \$852,548.56, Payroll Warrant #10 in the amount of \$57,578.62 and Police Detail Payroll in the amount of \$237.50.

## Notice to Re-Appoint Kristen Austin as Deputy Treasurer

The Board gave notice to reappoint **Kristen Austin** at the next Board meeting.

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### **Review Year to Date Expenses**

**Tad** said through the end of February, we were 17% of the way through the year and had spent 15% of the operating budget. He said we have spent 100% of the 2019 Insurance budget and 52% of the year's Interest on Bonds.

## **Finalize Election Day Schedule**

The Board reviewed and finalized their coverage schedule for Election Day.

#### **Consider Changes to the 2019 Operating Budget**

**Tad** said typically at the last Board meeting before Town Meeting, the Board looks at gas and diesel prices and makes adjustments if needed, but due to current prices, he recommended not making any adjustments. He suggested providing the directive to department heads that they not spend fuel budget monies on anything other than fuel. The Board members agreed. **Tad** said we have \$160,000 left in the Snow & Ice Management line item for the year and the five-year average cost from March 1<sup>st</sup> through the end of the year is \$161,000. It was agreed to keep the budget as is.

#### **Final Review of Town Meeting Presentation**

**Tad** said he updated the last page of the presentation to show the tax impact following the COOP annual meeting last week. **Brian** said that instead of a separate presentation from the Finance Committee at Town Meeting, they will concur with the Selectboard's presentation since they are in agreement.

#### **Review Hoyle Tanner Invoice for Payment by Trustees**

Eddie moved, seconded by Val, to have the Trustees of the Trust Funds process a check to Hoyle Tanner for the amount of \$21,949.76 from the Bond Street Bridge Capital Reserve Fund; Voted Yes 5-0.

#### **Review Mail Folder**

The Board reviewed the mail folder.

#### **Review Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

Determine Selectboard appointments to boards/committees for the upcoming year Review preliminary list of tasks/projects for the upcoming year

Brendan thanked the Board, Tad and Sharon, for all their hard work this past year.

Brendan moved, seconded by Eddie, to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) reputation; Roll Call Vote Yes 5-0.

Brendan moved, seconded by Eddie, to come out of non-public session and seal the minutes. Roll Call Vote 5-0.

Tom moved, seconded by Eddie, to adjourn the meeting; Voted Yes 5-0.

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7:58pm meeting adjo	ourned.		
Minutes submitted by	y Sharon Sturtevant.		
Brendan Denehy		Tom Humphreys	
Valerie Ogden		Eddie Arnold	
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	Ron Olsen		