

Alexandria Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

December 20, 2016

- **Members Present:** George Tuthill, Michael Broome and Robert Piehler
- The meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Meeting minutes from December 6, 2016 were approved.
- **Items Reviewed and Signed**
 - Notice of Intent to Cut: Williams Map 418-152
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 - Timber Tax: Cassidy Map 413-11
 - Abatement: Moore Map 408-1
 - Cemetery Deed: Riverside Plot 129E
- **Appointments/Department Heads**
 - Budget Committee members were present to discuss the Police Department budget for 2017. Doug Benton, Chair of the Budget Committee, said that the Budget Committee was looking for alternatives to lower the proposed department budget and they had discussed contracting with the State Police for coverage or cutting back the department budget to include only one full-time officer. There was discussion regarding starting a group that included members of the budget committee, Selectboard and members of the public to explore different options for the police department. Chief Sullivan and Officer Suckling talked about the work that police department currently performs and the coverage they provide. There were several comments and questions from the public including response times from the State Troopers that cover this area, having policy activity or log included in a local paper or newsletter and how our police department budget compare to other Towns. The Police Department will be scheduling an information session about their department.
- **Business**
 - There was discussion regarding the tower that Metrocast owns on Hemphill Road. Mr. Tuthill said that Metrocast is interested in leasing the tower to a cell carrier and will also allow antennas to be put on the tower for local services. Chief Sullivan said that they currently use Franklin dispatch but that it might be helpful to have a repeater put on the tower.
 - The Selectmen reviewed the Newfound Area School District payment schedule for December 2016 through June 2017'
 - The Selectmen reviewed a proclamation request to declare a Town of Alexandria School Choice Week; the Selectmen will be looking for more information before making a decision.
 - The Selectmen reviewed the NH Interlocal Trust not-to-exceed rates for health insurance.
 - The Selectmen reviewed a letter from the Lakes Region Conservation regarding disagreeing with the denial of the charitable exemption.
 - The following meetings were scheduled and will be held at the Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH:
 - PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2017 BUDGET
When: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:45 pm
FIRST DELIBERATIVE SESSION
When: Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 10:00 am
 - TOWN VOTING DAY (SECOND DELIBERATIVE SESSION)
When: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 polls open 11:00 am to 7:00 pm
 - PUBLIC HEARINGS ON BUILDING PERMIT ORDINANCE
First hearing being held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 6:30 pm
Second hearing being held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:30 pm

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Dostie, Administrative Assistant