

Alexandria Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2017

- **Members Present:** George Tuthill, Chet Caron and Robert Piehler
- The meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- The minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting were approved.
- **Items Reviewed and Signed**
 - Notice to DRA regarding not using the PA-28 Inventory of Taxable Property Form for 2018
 - Abatement: Derek Sammataro Map 406 Lot 119-99Y
 - Abatement: Metro Specialties/Bruce Webster Map 411 Lot 84
 - PA-16 Application for Reimbursement to Towns and Cities in Which Federal and State Forest Land is Situated 2017
- **Appointments/Department Heads**
 - James R. St. Jean Auctioneers discussed the terms of auctioning five town-owned properties. After discussion, the Selectmen signed an agreement with James r. St Jean Auctioneers to proceed with the auction.
 - Jeff Cantara, Road Agent
 - Mr. Cantara provided an update on Highway Department activities. Spring grading has been completed and roads are being prepared for paving.
 - Chief Donald Sullivan, Police Department
 - Chief Sullivan provided an update on Police Department activities. He is exploring potential grant opportunities for increased patrols to battle the local drug problems. He also expressed his concerns that the older cruiser, 2010 Ford Expedition, may not pass inspection in the spring due to rust issues.
 - Lori Mead, Chair Alexandria Budget Committee
 - Ms. Mead relayed questions that arose during the Budget Committee meeting on July 6th.
 - Members of the Budget Committee would like to arrange a meeting with the Selectmen, the State Police and the people from the Town of Salisbury to talk about using State Police for service instead of having a local police department. Ed Skrobak from the Alexandria Public Safety Committee and the Selectmen said they were willing to meet with them. There was also discussion on police response times and the drug problems in the area. The Selectmen were questioned on who would make the decision to get rid of a town department or switch to using private contractors for a department; the Selectmen said it would be a vote of the townspeople for that type of change.
 - The Budget Committee wanted to know if an ambulance contract had been signed with Bristol for 2018; a contract has not been signed. The Budget Committee will be looking to see if there are other options available for ambulance service and the cost.
 - The next Budget Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 7:00 pm.
 - Merry Ruggirello, Planning Board
 - Ms. Ruggirello announced that Boyd Smith from Newfound Lake Region Association will be providing a presentation at the Planning Board Meeting on Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 7:00 pm.
- **Business**
 - The Selectmen discussed Janet Towse's request to serve on the Lakes Region Planning Commission; the Selectboard approved appointing Janet Towse to LRPC.
 - The Selectmen discussed Chet Caron's request to serve as alternate commissioner to LRPC and alternative representative to TAC of LRPC; Mr. Caron's request was approved by the Selectmen.
 - The Selectmen accepted Ronald MacLean's resignation from Alexandria Conservation Commission and thanked Mr. MacLean for his contributions to the Conservation Commission.
 - The Selectmen discussed a letter from Kim Sharp requested appointment to the Conservation Commission; the Selectmen approved the request.
 - The Primary Election for State Representative Grafton District 9 is being held on Tuesday, July 18 from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm at the old town hall.

Meet adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Dostie, Administrative Assistant
