

Campton Board of Selectmen's

Meeting Minutes

January 09, 2023

The Campton Board of Selectmen met at 3:30 pm Monday, January 09, 2023. Present were Chair Sharon Davis, Selectman Mort Donahue, Selectman Dan Boynton, Selectman Craig Engel, and Selectman Nik Coates. Other members of the Town present were Library Committee Member, Mary O'Brien, Campton Town Administrator Corey Davenport, and Minutes Recorder Natasha Egger.

On Zoom was Selectman, Nik Coates; Chair of the Planning Board, Jack Letvinchuk and John Parker a Member of the public.

Call to Order: Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 3:40 pm. The Selectmen had their work session to review manifests and sign permits and warrants.

Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed public minutes from December 19, 2022, and Non-Public Minutes from December 19, 2022. Selectman Boynton made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Selectman Donahue seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Town Administrator

First on the agenda: Corey explained that the Highway Department is down one truck. The new F550 truck had some minor damage to it in the last storm on December 23, 2022.

Second on the agenda: Corey was discussing posting weight limit signage for the dirt roads with Chair Davis. Since the weather has been so unpredictable and warm this past year, Chair Davis was looking into putting signage out on the dirt roads. This signage would not have a date or time frame, so it could be put up when we have a long period of warm weather. Chair Davis said that Plymouth was putting up weight restriction signs during the most recent warm spell. Chair Davis felt that it was a good idea for the Town to get a jump on this as well. Corey will look into this with the Road Agent Ron Farnsworth and order a supply of new signs.

Road & Bond Discussion

Craig & Corey informed the Board regarding the road meeting that took place on December 29, 2022. Corey is currently working on an RFP for some targeted road projects. Corey has included some paperwork for taking out a bond. The deadline to start the bond process is January 31, 2023. He explained to the Board that they have a limited window and will need to prepare for a bond as long as one is being proposed. Library Committee member Mary O'Brien explained that the committee would be putting the request for the new Library on hold for another year. Chair Davis felt that was a good decision since the roads are a priority. The Board discussed looking at the tax impact of repairing all of

the roads. This would give the Board a baseline for costs. Chair Davis did task Corey to call the Bond Bank as soon as possible to get estimates for taking a \$28 million bond. Selectman Coates gave Corey the name of Jill McNeil at Bond Bank to call.

Budget Setting Discussion

The Board went thru the whole budget to prepare for the budget meeting on January 23, 2023.

The Non-Profits line: Non-Profits have asked for a bit more this past year than last year. The following were.

Grafton County Senior Citizen-Increased by \$600.00

Tri-City Comm. Action-Increased by \$600.00

Solid Waste & Landfill Admin: The Board discussed the need to increase the landfill budget considering increased hauling and weight costs. Corey was asked to determine exactly how much the budget would need to go up. The Board suggested that an increase of \$25,000 might be appropriate.

Under Patriotic Purposes: The cost of flags went up this past year. These are placed at the graves of veterans during Memorial Day. The budget increase was \$500.00.

Town Meeting budget line: Hannah Joyce Town Clerk/Tax Collector had recommendations for Corey on this topic. Ballot Clerks were proposed to increase to \$175.00 per day, which is an increase of \$100.00. The Moderator pay recommendation was \$250.00 a day, an increase of \$150.00. The Moderator would still receive \$100.00 for Town Meeting, as this usually takes just a few hours. The Board went through each recommendation and did a rough hourly breakdown. They agreed with the proposal for the Moderator but decided on \$150 per day for the Ballot Clerks.

Supervisors The Checklist: Mary O'Brien asked about any increase for the Supervisors of the Checklist since the Board is reviewing election officials' pay. The Board discussed the level of work for each position and agreed to increase the Supervisor of the Checklist's pay to \$15.00 per hour.

Corey will implement the new amounts in the budget and will email the final version as soon as it is completed

IT Bids

Two Bids that came back were the following:

Cyber Tron- \$36,000.00 for the year, excluding the cost of equipment.

Lakes Region Computer-The Lakes Region Computer's bid was presented as a monthly cost of, \$1,928.00. This ended up being \$23,136.00 per year. Selectman Boynton volunteered to review these bids to compare the services offered. No decision was made at the meeting; a decision will be finalized at the next meeting.

Selectman Engel motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting in accordance with RSA 91-A:2, II (c) & (b) at 5:10 pm. Selectman Boynton seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows, Selectman Engel, Aye, Selectman Boynton, Aye, Selectman Coates, Aye, Selectman Donahue, Aye, Chair Davis, Aye.

The Board came out of a non-public session at 5:31 p.m.

Board Concerns & Directives

Selectman Coates had asked for a warrant article for \$10,000.00 to come out of the Undesignated Fund Balance to support the cost of the NH Charrette process. Chair Davis asked the rest of the Board, and all were in favor. Selectman Coates said he would provide Corey with the warrant language as soon as possible.

Selectman Engel and Chair Davis had asked Selectman Donahue if he could install an internet plug in one of the offices. The office will be rearranged, resulting in Jade taking over Corey's office, and Corey will move down the hall.

With no further business, Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 5:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Minutes Recorder

Natasha Egger

Tasks Requested:

- Look into non-deadline signs for dirt roads
- Contact HEB on the work that the contractors do (break down on pricing)
- (Jill MacNeil) Contact Bond Bank for a 30 yr. bond. (Fees into bond)
- SOC hourly rate (increase) and Road Crew look into as well
- Offer Library Committee to come to the next CIP and CCDC meeting to review plans
- Update the spreadsheet of the budget with approved changes.
- Jade to email early morning Beebe River Plan to Chair Davis
- Budget Hearing, graphs, and pies on the spreadsheet
- Post-2023 calendar that the Board approved