

TOWN OF CAMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 21, 2024

Board Attendees: Sharon Davis, Dan Boynton, Mort Donahue, Karl Kelly, Craig Engel (on Zoom)

Town Employees: Kate O'Connor, Michelle McCaleb (recorder), Ron Farnsworth, Matt Abear, Hannah Joyce, Sally Goslin (on Zoom)

Public Attendees: Ron Goggans, Rebecca Farnsworth (on Zoom), Jade Hartsgrove (on Zoom), Debbie Kershner, Stephen Kotowski

Call to Order: Chair Boynton opened the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

Highway & Town Clerk / Tax Collector Budgets

TA O'Connor and Road Agent Ron Farnsworth reviewed changes made to the Highway Department Budget. There was a discussion about removing some money from the warrant article for roads and putting it towards the budget instead and some Board members expressed concerns regarding this potential change. Ron also requested a change from salary to hourly pay or receive a raise to \$75,000 annually.

TA O'Connor and Town Clerk / Tax Collector Hannah Joyce reviewed changes made to the TC/TX Budget. The Board asked questions throughout to ensure clarity, and Hannah also requested to change to hourly pay. There was a brief discussion regarding the Supervisors of the Checklist budget.

TA O'Connor mentioned the possibility of creating a revolving fund for police detail in a warrant article. The Board agreed that TA O'Connor would further research the topic and bring it forth at an upcoming meeting.

Selectman Davis made a motion to go into a non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at 4:07 p.m. Selectman Donahue seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

The Board came out of non-public at 4:56 p.m.

Selectman Donahue made a motion to seal the non-public minutes. Selectman Davis seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

Privilege of the Floor

NONE

Drug Task Force Grant Candidate

Police Chief Kevin Foss presented his proposal. Selectman Davis made a motion to approve the Drug Task Force Grant Candidate as presented. Selectman Kelly seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

TA & Department Heads' Reports

The Board had no questions regarding the submitted reports. TA O'Connor stated she has been solicited by the Chamber of Commerce to join the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce and wondered if the Board would like her to join. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed that TA O'Connor should not join the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce at this time due to obligations.

TA O'Connor also stated that the septic system has been pumped recently for the first time since 2018, however, the bathroom in the Police Department was still having issues. Selectman Donahue recommended calling Rowell's Services.

HEB has billed the Town for visiting Eastern Corner Road and the Board was pleased with their help.

Board Topics & Committee Updates

Selectman Kelly updated the Board on a recent Roads Committee meeting and Selectman Donahue asked about culvert flushing. Selectman Kelly also provided updates for the recent CIP meeting and mentioned that CIP didn't have a Planning Board Ex-Officio. It was decided that Laura Chapman would fill that role.

Ron Goggans stated that the LSCCD submitted their first report, which was in the packet for the Board. There was a discussion regarding lights in Town. Selectman Davis would like to continue the discussion at the next meeting.

Consent Agenda

Selectman Engel had some edits to the minutes from the previous meeting. Selectman Davis made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended. Selectman Donahue seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

Volunteer Application Forms

Debbie Kershner explained why she wanted to join the LSCCD Committee. Selectman Davis made a motion to add Ms. Kershner to the LSCCD Committee. Selectman Donahue seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

Stephen Kotowski gave an overview of his reasoning for joining the Conservation Commission. Selectman Davis made a motion to add Mr. Kotowski to the Conservation Commission. Selectman Kelly seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

TA O'Connor reminded the Board of a postponed Volunteer Application Form. The Board would like to continue postponing the application.

Insurance Rebate

TA O'Connor gave an overview of the situation and recommended putting the check towards the premium instead of each employee. Selectman Davis made a motion to put the insurance rebate towards premium. Selectman Kelly seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

Tuck Services Contract

TA O'Connor explained the situation and a discussion ensued regarding the presented contract. The Board would like clarification on gravel, stone, Beebe River and snowplowing before approving the contract and the discussion will be continued at the following meeting.

Annual Meeting Day

TA O'Connor reminded the Board of the survey they put out a few months ago regarding Annual Town Meeting Day. Selectman Davis made a motion to keep it on Wednesday, as it has been tradition for many years. Selectman Kelly seconded the motion. The rest of the Board was in agreement. The roll call vote was as follows: Selectman Boynton, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Engel, aye; Selectman Donahue, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle McCaleb, Recorder