

MIDDLEFIELD SELECT BOARD MEETING

Middlefield Town Hall

May 23, 2011

Present: Noreen Suriner, Chair Mitch Feldmesser Alan Vint

- Meeting began at 7:03 p.m.
- May 16 meeting minutes were read. Alan made a motion to approve minutes as amended. MF seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered. Secretary will amend minutes and present them to Select Board for signature.
- Todd Ford , Executive Director of Hampshire Council of Governments
Kathy LeBeau, Assistant Director of Finance
Members of the Planning Board: Alan Vint, Jay Swift, Maureen Sullivan, Terry Crean.

Topics include:

- 1) Overall vision of regionalization
- 2) Specific of the Financial Component

Todd gave an overview of some of the things that the Council of Governments is tackling now.

He also spoke of the Regional Accountant System that is being currently rolled out.

Kathy Lebeau provided the Select Board with a Bookkeeping/Accounting Draft Proposal.

Jay Swift explained the needs of the Planning Board in regard to looking at town bylaws, and asked what the scope of their services was. Todd stated that a Regional Planning Director will be hired July 1, and that services would be available by early fall.

- Laurie Lefreniere presented a Window Treatment Proposal Quote. The quote was prepared by Aprille Thomas. Approx. amount will be \$2,312. Discussion ensued. Noreen Suriner made a motion to approve the hiring of Aprille Thomas to provide and install Town Hall Shades with an amended amount. Alan seconded the motion. All were in Favor. So Ordered. Laurie will return with a contract for the Select Board to sign.
- Skip Savery :
 - 1) Informed the board that a \$10,000 grant was awarded to the Town of Middlefield which will cover some of the equipment, overtime and material used in snow removal.
 - 2) Discussed and wrote up advertisement for hiring highway dept. personnel.
 - 3) Announced that the town will host the use of the Boom-mower. Skip will e-mail WMECO for a copy of the contract and will have the Select Board look it over.
- Finance Committee: Joseph Kearns, Gita Jozsef Harris, Scott Artioli, Judy Hoag, Ed Viviere.
 - 1) Joe suggested a Special Town Meeting Warrant for the 20th of June.
 - 2) Noreen made a motion that to approve the appropriation transfer for the Recreation Sub-Committee for the amount of \$30.88. Alan seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered. The Select Board signed off on this, which was previously signed off by the Finance Comm. Alan made a motion to approve the appropriation transfer for the Selectmen's Secretary Account for \$232.50. MF seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered. Select Board signed off on this, which has been signed off by the Finance Com.
- Noreen stated that we were turned down for grant to repair community sign.

- A Pole Hearing will be scheduled with WMECO concerning poles on Chester Rd. Alan will call to confirm.
- Noreen made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 p.m. Alan seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered.

Meeting minutes submitted by Suzanne C. Lemieux

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