



Fairhaven Board of Selectmen

May 3, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Present: Chairman Robert Espindola, Clerk Charles Murphy, Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch, and Administrative Assistant Anne Kakley.

Chairman Robert Espindola called the meeting to order in the Elizabeth Hastings Middle School auditorium at 8:14 a.m.

Vice Chairman Geoffrey Haworth joined the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ROOF

ATM Article 14 – Handicap Parking State Statute – Mr. Murphy motioned to pass over Article 14. Mr. Espindola seconded. Vote carried (2-0).

ATM Article 26 – Capital Planning Committee – Mr. Murphy motioned to add the words “Executive Secretary or” in front of the phrase “Town Administrator” to be inclusive in the event that Town Meeting did not approve the Town Administrator position. Mr. Espindola seconded. Vote carried (2-0).

PLANNING DEPT. PERSONNEL

Bill Roth was present at 8:18 p.m. to discuss personnel in the Planning and Economic Development department. He asked the Board to consider extending employment for Toni O’Leary until a Planning and Economic Development part-time, temporary CDBG employee was hired. Mr. Murphy motioned to extend Ms. O’Leary’s employment until such time that a suitable replacement was hired. Mr. Espindola seconded. Vote carried (2-0).

Additionally, Mr. Roth asked the Board to authorize him to conduct interviews, along with Planning Administrative Assistant Marie Ripley, to select a CDBG finalist. Mr. Murphy motioned to approve the request. Mr. Espindola seconded. Vote carried (2-0).

At 8:20, Mr. Espindola and Mr. Murphy joined the meeting of the Finance Committee, already in session, in a classroom at the Hastings Middle School.

The Fire Union contract was discussed with the Finance Committee.

ATM Article 8 – Fire Station Roof – After discussion with Mr. Haworth, Mr. Murphy motioned to change a motion in the script to support the installation of solar panels on the roof of

the Fire Station if the originally appropriated sum of \$253,717 will support that installation, combined with grants. Mr. Haworth seconded. Vote was unanimous (3-0).

The Finance Committee indicated that it would motion to take ATM Article 31 (Restructuring Board of Public Works) out of order, prior to ATM Article 15 (Establishing a Town Administrator). The Board of Selectmen said that they would support that change in Town Meeting article order.

At 8:50, Mr. Espindola and Mr. Murphy returned to the auditorium.

STM Article 1 – Town Charges – Mr. Murphy motioned to reconsider a previous vote to recommend the appropriation of \$20,000 (\$15,000 transfer from FY14 appropriations and \$5,000 from Surplus Revenue) for Veteran’s Services, B. Purchase of Services. Mr. Espindola seconded. Vote carried (2-0). Mr. Murphy motioned to recommend \$30,000 for Veteran Services, B. Purchase of Services (\$25,000 transfer from FY14 appropriations and \$5,000 from Surplus Revenue). Mr. Espindola seconded. Vote carried (2-0).

At 9:05, the Annual Town Meeting convened. At 4:01 p.m., the Town Meeting dissolved. Mr. Murphy motioned to adjourn the Selectmen’s Meeting. Mr. Haworth seconded. Vote was unanimous. (3-0).

Respectfully,

Anne Kakley

Administrative Assistant
Board of Selectmen
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