

# Town of Shirley

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN



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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES

**January 26, 2015**

**7:00pm**

**TOWN OFFICES**

The Board of Selectmen convened its meeting on Monday, January 26, 2015 at the Town Offices, Meeting Rooms A & B, Chairman David N. Swain presiding, with Selectmen Kendra J. Dumont, and Town Administrator Patrice Garvin in attendance. Selectman Robert E. Prescott was not in attendance.

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Swain called to Order the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 7:00pm

### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

The Town Administrator reported that the Senior Center has been chosen as one of 16 organizations in the state to implement a new program called the Aging Mastery Program. Garvin included a brief description in the Selectmen's packets. The grant like others received, will promote the health and well-being of all Shirley seniors, she congratulated Kathy Becker, COA Director on this grant.

Department Budgets have been submitted and she is in the process of meeting with Departments to review budgets. The budgets are looking pretty level at this point, with some increases. Garvin will have a better idea of the FY16 Budget as she moves through the process.

TA reported that she will need to schedule a brief Selectmen's meeting on Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. This meeting is needed in order to sign the warrant, complying with posting requirements for the STM on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Garvin noted that she and Selectmen Dumont and Prescott attended the MMA Conference on Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Garvin stated that she has received preliminary numbers on creating a Regional Dispatch with Ayer. The Regional Dispatch Review Committee will be meeting next week to discuss the Town's options moving forward.

MRPC has given the Town a draft Transportation Plan that would be included in the Town's Master Plan. MRPC is looking for feed back and TA had included the document in the Selectmen's packet for their review.

She further noted that within the report, is a list of reported crash sites in Town. She has asked MRPC if they could conduct a study on the highest two crash sites. To conduct this study the Town would need authorization from the Board of Selectmen. This study is at no additional cost.

Selectman Dumont moved to authorize MRPC to conduct a study on the crash sites in the Town of Shirley. Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

HR Consultants has submitted a draft report. The Personnel Board has voted to accept the report with minor changes. Once the Selectmen have had a chance to review the report, Town Administrator and Personnel Board will invite the President of HR Consulting to a Selectmen's meeting.

Finally, Ayer-Shirley Regional School District had its preliminary FY16 budget presentation on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Garvin and Robert Pontbriand, Ayer's TA attended the meeting. Garvin noted that the schools are looking for a 10.7% increase over last year's assessment in Shirley, and a 7.3% increase in Ayer. Both she and Pontbriand jointly approached the School Committee letting them know that this is neither affordable nor sustainable. The position of both Towns is a 5% increase to the Schools; Shirley's total is \$268k over last year's assessment. She stated that the Schools' budget is in their packets.

#### TREASURY WARRANTS

Payroll warrant # 0130	<u>01/21/15</u>	<u>\$ 4,251.84</u>
Payroll warrant # 6130	<u>01/21/15</u>	<u>\$ 25,462.12</u>
Payroll warrant # 9130	<u>01/21/15</u>	<u>\$ 9,276.78</u>
Payroll warrant # 0131	<u>01/28/15</u>	<u>\$ 6,492.76</u>
Payroll warrant # 6131	<u>01/28/15</u>	<u>\$ 32,118.18</u>
Payroll warrant # 9131	<u>01/25/15</u>	<u>\$ 27,433.65</u>
Payable warrant# 2305	<u>01/21/15</u>	<u>\$ 261,435.34</u>
Payable warrant# 9335	<u>01/21/15</u>	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
Payable warrant# 9345	<u>01/30/15</u>	<u>\$ 4,265.59</u>
Payable warrant# 2315	<u>01/28/15</u>	<u>\$ 103,540.53</u>

Selectman Dumont moved to accept the following Treasury Warrants as presented. Seconded. David N. Swain vote Aye, and Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye..

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Selectman Dumont made the *Motion to accept the Minutes of January 12, 2015 Seconded. David N. Swain vote Aye and Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye.*

## OLD BUSINESS

### 1. Energy Committee Update

Bryan Dumont, Chairman of the Energy Committee came before the Board of Selectmen to present the amendment to the lease between NextSun and the Town of Shirley.

Selectman Dumont moved to amend the Lease between NextSun and the Town of Shirley as presented. Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 2. 7:05 Public Hearing - STM Warrant

The Shirley Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 26, 2015 at 7:05 p.m. at the Town Offices, Meeting Rooms A & B, to discuss the upcoming Special Town Meeting of February 23, 2015

Selectman Dumont moved to open the Public Hearing for the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont moved to continue the Public Hearing for the Special Town Meeting Warrant for Monday, February 2, 2015. Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

### 3. Driveway Permit – 68 Horsepond Road

Selectman Dumont moved to approve the Driveway Permit for 68 Horsepond Road, provided that all the terms and conditions are met. Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

### 4. DPW Union Contract Amendment

Selectman Dumont moved to approve the amendment for the DPW Union Contract as presented. Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye and David N. Swain vote Aye.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Swain updated the Town on emergency numbers and contacts regarding the impending blizzard.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, *Motion and Seconded to adjourn, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain, vote Aye.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen Rocco

Date Accepted: 3-9-15



David N. Swain, Chair



Kendra J. Dumont, Vice Chair

Robert E. Prescott, Jr., Clerk

*Pursuant to the 'Open Meeting Law,' G.L. 39, § 23B, the approval of these minutes by the Board constitutes a certification of the date, time and place of the meeting, the members present and absent, and the actions taken at the meeting. Any other description of statements made by any person, or the summary of the discussion of any matter, is included for the purpose of context only, and no certification, express or implied, is made by the Board as to the completeness or accuracy of such statements.*