

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD
MINUTES

Date: March 27, 2017
Time: 7:00pm
Place: Town Hall
Egremont

Present at the table were Chairman Flynn, Vice-Chairman Turner, Selectman Brazie,
Also present were Sam Willey(Berkshire Record), Tom Sierau, and for part of the meeting Tom Scanlon,
Sue Funk.

This meeting is audio and visually recorded.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

Auditor Tom Scanlon reported that the audit of the 2016 records showed very few, and those minor, problems. The financial procedures in the town are very sound and the town has good savings. The management report noted the need for written policies and procedures, and the need for the Tree Department to keep cleaner procurement records. As well it was noted that the town has not been receiving all of its property tax reimbursements from the state for Veteran's, Blind and Surviving Spouses. The Assessors will be asked to follow up on this. Though there is still a water department subsidy is it lower each year. The town's free cash policy is appropriate, and should be put in writing, and its free cash is healthy, as well as the town's policy for and the use of the Stabilization Fund. Clearly the Town has good employee's in place who are doing their jobs.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board unanimously voted to nominate John Springstube to serve another term as the Inspector of Animals.

The Board accepted with regrets the resignation of Charles Flynn as a member of the SBRSD School Committee effective immediately. Notice will be put out seeking applicants.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board was asked if it would put out the Broadband Survey circulated by Gary Warner on its Town's notices list. As Bruce has not seen the survey this will be discussed at the meeting on March 30.

The Board also discussed the request to set up a community access computer with convenient hours for residents. It was noted that there is one available at the Library during Saturday and evening hours. A town hall one was available but can only be available when Town Hall is open.

SELECTMEN'S ITEMS:

The Town has received the certification for the school budget, but it is somewhat confused over the date of payments and the lack of details about the use of E&D funds. This will be discussed with legal counsel at the March 30 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm.

Mary Brazie,
Office Administrator

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