

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD
MINUTES

Date: May 24, 2017
Time: 7:00pm
Place: Town Hall
Egremont

Present at the table were Selectmen Bruce Turner, Mary Brazie and George McGurn, Also present were Juliette Haas, Mary McGurn, John Wosczyzna, Eileen Vining, David Seligman, Carol Robbins, Genis Melendez-Delaney, Chet Delaney, Lita Bernstein, Marj Wexler, Dan Bower, Corey Willey, Tyler Race, Tev Sumner, Carl Stewart, Peter Schoeffler, Mark Roggen, Richard Allen, Corinna Barnard, Tom Sierau, Joan Goodkind, Adam Chait, Hans Carlson, Susan Bachelder and two unknown woman and one unknown man.

This meeting is audio and video recorded.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

* REORGANIZATION:

The Board voted to reorganize as follows:

Chairman: Bruce Turner

Vice-Chairman: George McGurn

Recording Secretary: Mary Brazie

MINUTES:

The Board accepted the minutes of May 3 and 28 with minor corrections.

SCHEDULED ISSUES:

John Wosczyzna attended to seek the Board's support on getting a police report from an incident at his house amended as he contends the report is not accurate. When Mr. Wosczyzna tried to play a recording of the incident he was told he did not have permission to do so and was asked to shut it off. The Board informed Mr. Wosczyzna that his issue was with the Police Department not the Board.

The Board, after a short interview, voted unanimously to appoint Corinna Barnard to the Green Committee.

CITIZEN'S TIME:

Mary McGurn asked several questions about the status of Broadband in Egremont and the negotiations with Charter. Selectman Brazie noted that she and Vice-Chairman McGurn had received a short update from MBI representative Peter Larkin in which it was said that the negotiations with Charter were ongoing, the other towns had been given a deadline to make a decision and MBI was optimistic that Charter would be moving forward in Egremont. Chairman Turner said that the Board will get more detailed information for its June 19 meeting.

Peter Schoeffler is seeking something in writing to back up a verbal statement repeated at a Selectmen's meeting in the fall in which Legal Counsel was quoted as saying that the lot created by a Form A on Tremont drive was not a buildable lot. Legal Counsel has said he will not put this in writing and that the final determination will be made when and if a building permit is applied for. Chairman

Turner said he would follow up with Legal Counsel.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board voted unanimously to re-appoint the following to the Council on Aging:

- Rachel Shaw - Associate member
- Bruce Bernstein
- Georgette Kinney
- Helen Krancer
- Chet Delaney
- Eve Goldberg
- Margaret Muskrat

The Board agreed that Vice-Chairman McGurn and Jeff Lazarus would be the Town's liaisons to MBI.

The Board accepted the resignation of Theodore Crosby as a part-time Police Officer.

The Board approved end of year transfers as noted below:

\$2,511.00	Exempt Employee Wage Pool 015122.121	Administrator Salary 015122.116
\$1,500.00	Exempt Employee Wage Pool 015122.121	Treasurer/Collector Salary 015145.113
\$200.00	Exempt Employee Wage Pool 015122.121	Personnel Director 015122.119
\$600.00	Exempt Employee Wage Pool 015122.121	Librarians's Salary 015610.113
\$4,491.68	#1 Selectmen's Salary 015122.113	Legal Fees 015151.700
\$1,657.12	Town Engineer 015122.703	Legal Fees 015151.700
\$1,638.25	Insurance Health/Dental 015945-741	Legal Litigation 015151.725

The Board agreed that Chairman Turner will represent the Board on the Compensation Committee this coming Friday and the Open Space & Recreation Bylaw Committee, and that Vice-Chairman McGurn will represent the Board on the Technology Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board voted 2 in favor, with Vice-Chairman McGurn against, to authorize former Selectman Charles Flynn to testify on behalf of the Town in the upcoming hearing regarding the closure of the South Egremont School House.

SELECTMEN'S ITEMS:

The Board will march in the South Egremont Memorial Day Parade.

The Board agreed to scrap for junk the one-ton dump truck. As this is a vital piece of equipment for the Highway Department a replacement will need to be purchased.

The Board agreed that both Chairman Turner and Vice-Chairman McGurn will attend the upcoming school budget meeting.

The Board will review in more detail the contract for the engineering work for the Mount Washington Road project.

The Board will meet with Boardband Attorney Bill Solomon on Friday, June 2 at 1pm.

Chairman Turner would like to see a plan for road work with estimates.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.

Mary Brazie,
Office Administrator

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The recording of the minutes is on record at the Town Hall for 90 days. Anyone who wishes to may obtain a copy or listen to the recording at Town Hall. Attachments are on file at Town Hall.