

TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

DECEMBER 3, 2018

Present: Ella M. Brown  
Aboul B. Khan  
Theresa A. Kyle  
William Manzi

10:00AM

Mrs. Brown opened the meeting at 10:09AM.

The Board asked for a moment of silence for the passing of President George H.W. Bush.

**MONTHLY MEETING - SEWER SUPERINTENDENT**

Phil Maltais was present for his monthly report (see attached).

There was discussion on the inspections of the food establishments and it was stated that there are no fees charged when the sewer does an inspection, which are done quarterly. Mr. Maltais has submitted suggested fees for this and it has been sent to the town manager's office. Mr. Manzi said the consultant has sent a summary of fees but he didn't feel it was conclusive so it has been sent back. He feels this will be ready for the next meeting and will have recommendations on what they should charge.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 24 PUBLIC & NON-PUBLIC, OCTOBER 15 PUBLIC, NOVEMBER 5 PUBLIC & NON-PUBLIC AND NOVEMBER 8 PUBLIC**

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To adopt the minutes of  
Second: Aboul B. Khan 9/24 public & non-public  
Unanimous 10/15 public, 11/5  
public & non-public and  
11/8 public.

**REFUNDS**

Edward Sunshine - 135 Blacksnake Road - \$50.94  
Charles & Joy Ballantine - 211 Lower Collins Street - \$207.35  
Tracy Marshall - 39A Farm Lane - \$6.55

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all  
Second: Ella M. Brown refunds.  
Unanimous

**WATER & SEWER SERVICE APPLICATIONS**

Salem Manufactured Homes - 157 Staples Street - \$50 & \$150  
Salem Manufactured Homes - 159 Staples Street - \$50 & \$150  
Salem Manufactured Homes - 113 Whip-poor-will Street - \$50 & \$150  
Salem Manufactured Homes - 132 Garden Street - \$50 & \$150

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all  
Second: Ella M. Brown water and sewer  
Unanimous applications.

#### **REQUEST FOR USE OF FUNDS FOR RAIL TRAIL**

Mike Rabideau was present and spoke to the request to use funds for the rail trail that was approved at town meeting. He said this is not a town sponsored project it is headed by Friends of Seabrook Rail Trail. Mike Rabideau explained where the money would be used and what it is being used for.

Mrs. Kyle said the problem is that he is requesting the use of money to be used on private property and property that is located in Salisbury. She applauds the people who worked really hard on this project but this is not an easy project. Mike Rabideau commented that if anything this discussion gets the word out to the public and that they will have a rail trail with or without the money. He expects the project to be completed in the spring of 2020.

Mike Rabideau said he is going to withdraw the request so that there is no vote needed by the selectmen. He knows the board supports the project but it is not the proper timing for the project and he would rather it not be on the record that they were opposed.

#### **HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

Mr. Manzi explained this was presented to the board previously and it was posted on the website for any input by the public. The board needs to approve the draft in order to get the final version. Mr. Khan would like for the board to review further where there was substantial changes from 2013 and bring back at the next meeting. Mr. Khan read the executive summary so the taxpayers understand why this is important. Mr. Manzi said this was funded with a grant and completed with assistance from RPC.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To table this item until  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle the next meeting.  
Unanimous

#### **WARRANT ARTICLES**

Mr. Manzi said he provided a memo and spreadsheet for the board to break down the articles with the tax impact.

There was discussion on creation of a capital fund for the Old South Meeting House. Mr. Manzi said he has not sent to the attorney but feels if you can raise and appropriate money then you can create a capital fund.

There was discussion on the security cameras at the recreation center. Mr. Manzi said there are a couple of different submissions and he is trying to compare them in order to get the appropriate system for the right cost.

OLD SOUTH MEETING HOUSE

Eric Small was present and read the list of cost items he has presented to the board. He said they will try and raise some money this year. The open house will be December 13 at the Brown Library and he hopes this will raise some money.

Mr. Manzi explained this year they are asking to create the fund and add \$45K to it this year. Each year thereafter they would need to add to it and the year they are withdrawing money they would need to ask permission of the voters.

Mrs. Kyle feels if they ask for the full amount this year the article will not pass. Mr. Khan feels it is too confusing to have several different reserve funds and then articles that would pay for an item in full. He would like a clear picture sent to the voters so they understand what they are voting on.

There was discussion on having money spent on the heating for the building but if that is done they are limited to what they can do if it is in the wording.

Mrs. Kyle read the article for the Old South Meeting House.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To approve the article  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle for the ballot.  
Unanimous

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To recommend the article  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle for the Old South  
Unanimous Meeting House.

Board took a break at 12:00PM. Board reconvened at 1:55PM.

**WARRANT ARTICLES**

Mr. Khan said during the break they had very big business to take care of. He said there is a list of 2019 warrant articles from Mr. Manzi and his recommendation as to what will be affordable to the town. Mr. Manzi explained his spreadsheet and how he went through the articles to determine what he felt was necessary for the town in the upcoming year.

Mr. Khan said the board should make a motion to look at all of the articles for \$6,963,403 or to consider the town manager's

recommendation of \$1,153,040 and then bring those articles back on another day.

Mr. Manzi said there is an article for the lifeguards but he did not make a recommendation on that article. He commented on the rescue vehicle for the fire department. He spoke about applying the fund balance to a couple of the articles to lower the number even further.

Mrs. Kyle asked about the human service agencies. Mr. Manzi said that for the past few years the board has met jointly with the budget committee. The board took 10% off the number last year and Mr. Manzi said they can apply that same policy this year.

<u>MOTION:</u> Aboul B. Khan	To cut 10% off the human
Second: Theresa A. Kyle	service agencies request
Unanimous	for 2019.

LIFEGUARD ARTICLE

Mr. Manzi said he did not make a recommendation on this article as it is a policy decision by the board. Mr. Khan said as a selectmen he feels he should let the voters decide what they want and they can do that by putting this article on the ballot. Mrs. Brown said it is the liability that bothers her and she thought this was going to be a citizen's article not a selectmen's article. Mrs. Kyle feels it is appropriate to put before the people to see what they want.

<u>MOTION:</u> Aboul B. Khan	To approve the warrant
Second: Theresa A. Kyle	article including the
Unanimous	language in the note for
	a cost in the first year
	and thereafter and the
	maintenance of the
	equipment.

Once the article is completed with the language changes and exact cost the board will make a recommendation.

The board will have a meeting on Friday, December 7 at 10AM to discuss warrant articles.

There is a request for the fire department to purchase a lifesaving vehicle. Mr. Manzi said this would give the department the ability to get an individual off the beach without having to carry them in a medical emergency. Mrs. Brown said her concern is he wants to keep this vehicle at the fire

department and it would take a long time to transport it to the beach when needed. Mrs. Brown said she spoke to the finance manager and the D'Alessandro fund is for law enforcement and this is not law enforcement. The board will have both chief's present at the meeting on Friday to discuss. Mr. Khan said Mr. D'Alessandro resided at Seabrook Beach and the town has not purchased anything for the beach using his money.

Mr. Manzi said the human service number will now be \$113,679 with the 10% reduction.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To withdraw his previous  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle motion for the 10%  
Unanimous reduction.

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To reduce the human  
Second: Aboul B. Khan service agencies request  
Unanimous by 15% and 20% so the  
board can make an  
informed decision.

#### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To close the town hall  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle at 12PM on December 21  
Unanimous for the annual holiday  
party.

Mr. Manzi said the warrant articles that were provided to the board today did not include any new personnel but 2 departments have requested they be put on the ballot. Mr. Khan said if the board were to consider the fire prevention officer for the fire department and 1 police officer this would help the departments so he would like the board to discuss on Friday.

Mr. Khan requested the board bring Ann Robinson into a meeting to recognize her for her work and the new librarian to welcome her to the town.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To recess the meeting  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle until Friday December 7  
Unanimous at 10AM.

Approved and endorsed

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Theresa A. Kyle, Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_