

Kingston, New Hampshire
Board of Selectmen
Meeting of November 20, 2017
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM in the meeting room of the Kingston Town Hall.

PRESENT: Mark Heitz, Chairman; Peter Broderick and George Korn, Selectmen

Non-public session

MOTION: On a motion by Selectman Broderick, seconded by Chairman Heitz, the Board convened a non-public session at 6:35 PM in order to discuss a vendor contract extension. Vote to enter non-public session was unanimous.

PRESENT: Mark Heitz, Chairman; Peter Broderick and George Korn, Selectmen.

MOTION: Motion to leave non-public session and reconvene in public session was made by Chairman Mark Heitz, seconded by Selectman Broderick and voted unanimously. Public session reconvened at 7:25 PM.

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Broderick and second of Chairman Heitz, it was voted unanimously to seal the minutes of the non-public session for an indefinite period.

Proposed Fire Station - Building Project Costs (Architectural)

Fire Chief Bill Seaman and Lieutenant Kent Walker were present to discuss the proposed fire station building project and possible Warrant Article for funding of the architectural planning stage. They shared with the Selectmen a proposal from SMP Architects which detailed the project costs involved in surveying a site, architectural plans, permits and fees, and preconstruction fee. The main cost would be architectural plans at a cost of \$233,000; the total project budget estimate for the planning phase was estimated by SMP to be \$275,100.

Chief Seaman said that pursuing Warrant Article funding for building plans is the next step to follow the informational meeting on November 6. After a discussion of funding options, including use of the building fund and impact fees, the Selectmen directed the Fire Chief and building committee to draft a Selectmen's Warrant Article and to include use of available impact fees.

Selectman Korn asked if the plans are specific to the proposed site on Wadleigh Point Road and Main Street (Map U5 Lot 62) and how much of the cost of the plans would be wasted if this site could not be used. Mr. Walker said that if a better lot is found, adjustments would need to be made to certain components, but the structural plans would work elsewhere.

Public Comment

Jim Edwards of 31 Wadleigh Point Road said he would like to comment on the Fire Station project from a taxpayer standpoint. He said he had attended the informational meeting on November 6, 2017 and felt that the project was suddenly being brought to

the public. He said he had heard the explanations that there were meetings and studies, but asked why these were not made public along the way. He felt that people had been surprised by the choice of the Wadleigh Point location.

There was a lengthy discussion of the meetings that had taken place and the reasoning and results of studies behind the interest in placing the proposed new fire station at Wadleigh Point and Main Street. It was stressed that all Selectmen's meetings are open to the public and agendas are posted ahead of time.

Chief Seaman invited Mr. Edwards to email or call him, or stop at the Fire Station, if he had more questions.

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes:

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Broderick, second of Selectman Korn, it was voted unanimously to accept the meeting minutes of November 13, 2017, as written.

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Broderick, second of Chairman Heitz, it was voted to accept the non-public meeting minutes of November 13, 2017, as written. Selectmen Korn abstained.

Solid Waste Contract Renewal

Discussion took place regarding options offered by Waste Management for renewal of their Solid Waste/Recycling contract with the Town.

Chairman Heitz will meet with Waste Management representative Peter Lachapelle with the Town's counter-proposals before a decision is made.

Administrative Issues

Correspondence was reviewed by the Board:

- A letter of interest has been received from a person interested in a part time position with the Town to run audio and video equipment. Selectman Broderick will call him.
- An email from Lynn Gainty asked if the Selectmen would include a Warrant Article for March 2018 adopting the provisions of RSA 287-E:27 relative to the game of bingo. Ms. Gainty will be asked to do a petition warrant for this item.
- A quitclaim and Release deed releasing conditions on land at Map R34 Lot 68 owned by the Town was reviewed and approved.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Ayer