

Kingston, New Hampshire
Board of Selectmen
Meeting of December 11, 2017
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM in the meeting room of the Kingston Town Hall.

PRESENT: Mark Heitz, Chairman; Peter Broderick, Selectman

ABSENT: George Korn, Selectman

Bingo Licensing

Lynn Gainty of the Kingston Days committee spoke to the Selectmen about possible adoption of RSA 287-E:27 regarding Bingo games and the sale of lottery tickets. After a brief discussion, it was decided that a Selectmen's Warrant Article will be written asking if the Town will support the adoption of this RSA.

Administrative Issues/Correspondence

The following matters were reviewed by the Board:

- Proposed Solid Waste and Recyclables agreement: signed by the Selectmen, to be forwarded to Waste Management for signature.
- Application for position of Cable Operator: Selectman Broderick will contact the applicant.
- Letter from the Kingston Fire Department regarding a shed discovered as furnished and being used as a dwelling unit: discussion of how to respond.
- Further information provided by ReVision Energy to Library Director Rebecca Mateyk regarding the proposed solar panel installation at the Kingston Community Library: the Selectmen discussed the new information, which included where the panels would be made, what the energy charges would be based on (the highest demand time), and what happens after the buyout. After the contract term of 6 years, the Town would have the option annually to buy the solar array for the balance due to ReVision Energy, after which the array and the solar power generated would belong solely to the library.

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes:

MOTION: Upon motion of Selectman Broderick, second of Chairman Heitz, it was voted unanimously to accept the meeting minutes of November 27, 2017, as written.

Town Hall/Town Clerk's Office hours

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Tammy Bakie addressed the Selectmen to ask them to consider changing the day the Town Hall closes at noon, from Wednesday to Friday. She said that she wished to make this change to the Town Clerk office hours, and it would make sense to have the Selectmen's Office on the same schedule in order to avoid confusion.

After some consideration, and comparing some statistics provided by the Clerk, the Selectmen agreed that it would be acceptable to close on Friday afternoons, as it would

not cause undue hardship to the public and it would make Kingston consistent with several other similar sized towns in the area.

On a motion by Selectman Broderick, seconded by Chairman Heitz, it was voted unanimously to change the Town Hall's office hours to Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and Friday 9:00 am to 12:00.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collection office will be open Monday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Friday from 8:00 am to 12:00.

The new hours will take effect after January 1, 2018.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Ayer