

**Approved Minutes
West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting
Monday, December 16, 2019 6pm**

Present: Beverly Jo Ash, Fred Cook, Bruce Durkee, Delsie Hoyt, Steve Malinoski

Clerk: Nina Schwartz

Visitors:

The meeting was called to order by Delsie Hoyt at 6:00 pm.

Minutes of the December 2nd meeting were reviewed. Bev made motion to approve minutes, as corrected, Fred seconded; approved.

Organizational

Visitors/Hear and act on reports of Town Officer and Committees

- Conservation Commission: interviewing candidates for resource inventory project

Review Treasurer's Financial Statements/Journal Entries

- Review current financial statements
- 2020 Town Budget: continued review and development
 - Library Commission: Has not yet submitted their budget request, but increase needed as Librarian's current pay rate has not kept up to pace with current guidelines, so increase needed to adjust (7 hrs/week)
 - Town Office: NEMRC service contract has increased, nearly doubled
 - Public Safety: significant increase from Hanover Dispatch; awaiting invoicing from Thetford Police Department on speed enforcement for Oct-Dec
 - General expenses: increase on loan payment for water system
 - Highway: increase in winter roads maintenance and materials
 - Approximate amount to be raised by taxes \$545,639. Steve made motion to approve 2020 budget, Bruce seconded the motion; unanimously approved

Roads/Land

Public Safety/Ordinance Enforcement

- E911/changes to Preserve/Scrutton Hill Rd: check w/E911 about necessity to change; is it required? Can we keep as is? TBD

Old Business

- Tax sale properties:
 - Beanville property: ongoing, pending
 - King Hill property: ongoing, pending
- Revising town website: preparations ongoing, additional action deferred
- Community Building/grounds:
 - Annual furnace inspection/maintenance (by ARC Mechanical): completed
 - Essential Maintenance Practices Compliance (lead paint): new account created

New Business

- Process Excess Weight Permits: none

Other Business/Agenda Items (to be acted on at next regular meeting)

Sign Orders

Bev made motion to sign orders; Steve seconded the motion; unanimously passed.

Review Correspondence

Upcoming Events

Bev made motion to adjourn meeting, Bruce seconded; unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.