

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

Present: Parker Lord, Steven Mattson, Mark Wayland

Public: John Kiker

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M. and the minutes for the previous meeting were accepted.

The board approved the appointment of Emily Greene Reynolds to the Recreation Commission which will be filed with these minutes. The appointment of Stephen Gencarella to the Eastern Regional Tourism District Board of Directors was tabled as the candidate withdrew from consideration.

The board approved a tax refund which will be filed along with these minutes.

The board was updated on the timing for delivery of the new fire truck with expectations delayed until approximately March of 2018.

The need for a special town meeting for the approval of additional Emergency Management spending exceeding budgeted levels (accompanied by an equal increase in grants to achieve a zero budget impact) was discussed and tentatively planned for November. The EMD will be providing figures and spending plans by the end of this month.

Mr. Lord is exploring the deed transfer of the Jewett Cemetery to the town in recognition of the relocation of the Jewett family from town and the fact that maintenance has been performed by the town.

The board was advised that Interim Healthcare will be losing their license and closing soon. The towns of Lyme and Old Lyme are exploring a new provider of these health services hopefully without an interruption.

No wake buoys are planned to be reinstalled at the entrance to Hamburg Cove at the onset of next year's boating season. At the request of a local resident, these markers will be reinstalled after being absent for a few years.

The board discussed the MRSA state grant that the town rejected last year based upon the limits the program placed on the town's ability to budget without a state limit being in effect. The board agreed to forego this small revenue for last fiscal year based on this limitation and the expectation that the town would not be offered the grant in subsequent years.

The board discussed then need to redesign and expand the town's website. Mr. Kiker was asked to consider leading such an effort and he will be considering such request.

Mr. Wayland has expressed an interest in leading an effort to review facility management within the town and the selectmen will be planning this approach.

Mr. Lord has found a back-up for the transfer station to cover planned and unplanned absences for Mr. Lammer. Dave Sutton will provide such coverage along with Mr. Wagner.

Mr. Lord also completed an inventory of signs designating the town's boundaries with adjacent towns for the future installation of signs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Mattson
For the Board of Selectmen