

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2018

Present: Parker Lord, John Kiker, Steven Mattson

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

There were no tax rebates for approval at this meeting.

The plan for closing on the Johnston land purchase was again discussed and will require a slight rework of the contract for the payment details. The Johnston family has agreed with the plan and we now await the state's transfer of funds to complete the purchase.

The selectmen discussed the Connecticut Land Conversation Council's request of support of a test program for local municipality collection of a buyer paid conveyance tax to be used for open space acquisition and land stewardship costs. The board agreed with the intent of such enabling legislation subject to certain conditions which will not be known until the legislation is drafted. The selectmen will draft a letter of support.

The selectmen endorsed the change from a paid sanitarian to participation in the Ledge Light Health District to be negotiated with the intent of making the change in June/July of this year. Such a move could result in a financial savings to the town and an increase in the availability of on-site support. Negotiations will proceed and the matter taken before town meeting in May.

Selectman Kiker updated the board on his progress in developing a communications plan that will relaunch the website and additional manners of communication with the town's people. His plan outline was endorsed by the board.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Mattson
For the Board of Selectmen