

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting 24 January 2012

Members present: Stephen Leighton, Chairman and JoAnn Brown

The meeting was called to order at 6:05PM

In attendance: Liz Evans

Items of correspondence were reviewed and signed as necessary. Bills were reviewed and payment was authorized.

Warrant and budget items were the primary topics of discussion. The overall Town budget is increased by approximately 3%, due in part to decrease in revenue. Final budget proposals were presented for various departments. An article requesting \$75,000 for a separate Town salt shed will be on the warrant. The budget for capital improvements to roads will reflect a slight increase.

It was reported that the assessment ratio survey prepared for the State has been completed. Several abatements were presented for discussion and review.

A representative from the Planning Board presented a draft of the Sign Ordinance and Lighting Ordinance to be added to the Town's current zoning regulations. These ordinances will be warrant items for consideration on Town Election Day, March 13, 2012. A public hearing on these will be held at the next Planning Board meeting on February 2, 2011. The Selectmen asked about notification and penalty for violation of the ordinance. A new draft will include that information and will be forwarded to Chief Young for review.

The Selectmen will meet with Pete LaChapelle from Waste Management to discuss ideas for improved operations at the Recycling Center.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded, and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:56.