

TOWN OF MARLBORO
REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, July 9, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

Present were select board members Andy Reichsman, chair, and Pieter van Loon. Tyler Gibbons was absent. Also present were Linda Peters, Town Treasurer; Forrest Holzapfel, Town Clerk; Keith Clark, Sheriff, Windham County; and Marcia Hamilton, Select Board Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting came to order at 5:03 PM.

IDENTIFY ANY CHANGES TO AGENDA:

There were no changes made to the agenda.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS:

No member of the public was present during the unscheduled open public comment period.

The Pay Orders were approved and signed.

The board voted (Reichsman/van Loon) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 06/18/2015.

After discussion with Linda Peters, the board voted (van Loon/Reichsman) to set the town tax rate as follows, and Forrest Holzapfel, Town Clerk, certified the record.

Tax Rate	School	Town	Local	Total Rate
Homestead	1.7320	.36	0.0014	2.0934
Non Residential	1.5815	.36	0.0014	1.9429

The board and Linda Peters previously discussed entering into an agreement with Merchants Bank for Direct Deposit for employees. At this meeting the board executed the documents to proceed with the program.

Jodi Clark, Project Manager, Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation/SeVEDS, updated the board on some of Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies' new initiatives. They include some of the following: workforce development, Six College Collaborative for a paid internship program (website: <http://www.sixcolleges.com>), and a Young Professionals program. The board brought up Marlboro's lack of adequate internet service and Jodi Clark said that is one of the issues on SeVEDS' list.

Sheriff Keith Clark was present to discuss the 2015-2016 contract between the Town and the Windham County Sheriff's Department. He said he had to increase the hourly rate from \$43/hour to \$48/hour due to increased costs to his department. This proposed contract is for

\$7,488 (\$624/mo) and last year's was for \$6,600 (\$550/mo), a total increase of \$888.00. As one measure to offset the increase, he suggested "adopting" Route 9 as a Local Road and the Town would share in any ticket revenue generated on Route 9. The board will look into the procedure.

The board briefly discussed meeting with the new Marlboro College President, Kevin Quigley at the August 13 meeting to discuss with him the possibility of the Sheriff going to the college during the new student orientation, as has been done in the past. Marcia will see if Mr. Quigley is available to meet.

After discussion, the board voted (van Loon/Reichsman) to accept and sign the WCSD contract.

OLD BUSINESS:

The board discussed Malcolm Moore's comments on Gilbert Road. Malcolm also provided a transcript of the laying out of the road which may or may not include what is now Gilbert Road. Malcolm plotted the description and it appears to be Augur Hole Road from Amariah Park's home (now where Gilbert's home is located) to the Newfane Town line. Marcia will do more research on the next step and report back to the board.

The board will contact Andy Rice to determine if he is willing to take on the Animal Control Officer position. The board last heard there may be a collaborative effort with the Brattleboro ACO but no action has been taken to date.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business came before the board.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL:

There were no additional information items or mail.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia L. Hamilton, Select Board Assistant