

Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting Minutes
Selectmen's Conference Room
Thursday, March 29, 2018, 7:00 a.m.

Members Present: Michael Alberts, Chandler Paquette

Absent: Frank Olah

Others Present: Karen Fitzpatrick, Dawn Adiletta

1. Call to Order

Alberts called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

2. Approve Minutes from the BOS Special Meetings on March 7 and March 8, 2018

Paquette moved to approve the minutes from March 7 and March 8, 2018. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

3. Citizen's Comments

Dawn Adiletta spoke on behalf of the Open Space Land Acquisition Committee explaining the need to build the acquisition fund due to several projects coming up over the next several years. She felt the money budgeted for the professional services line item could be reduced by \$2500.00 and transferred to the acquisition transfer in line item since the State of Connecticut is covering more of the upfront appraisal costs. **Alberts** made it clear that if this request is approved there may not be funds available if additional appraisals are needed.

4. Discuss and Approve FY 18-19 Budget Adjustments

Alberts stated that there would be an increase in the cost of for the regional town planner position with NECCOG. The cost for Woodstock would be \$36,625.00 which is \$3,625.00 more than the original amount requested.

Alberts also stated that in the event another town joins NECCOG for shared town planner services, there may be a reduction in the cost to Woodstock. After a lengthy discussion the following adjustments were made; reduce the Selectmen Dues and Conference line by \$500.00, reduce the Election PT Staff line by \$1,000.00 and reduce the Recreation line by \$2,125.00. **Alberts** stated that these adjustments would not affect the overall budget total.

At the request of Dawn Adiletta, the Selectmen increased the Open Space Land Acquisition Transfer In line by \$2500.00 and reduced the Open Space Profession Service line item by \$2500.00.

Paquette moved to approve the FY 18-19 budget as adjusted. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

5. Adjournment

Alberts moved to adjourn at 7:50 a.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted By:
Karen Fitzpatrick, Treasurer