

TOWN OF UNITY
Unity Select Board
MINUTES
November 7, 2016

PRESENT

Edward ("Ed") Gregory	Craig Allen, Patriot Trucks
William ("Bill") Schroeter	Paul Moeller, Building/Health Insp.
John Callum, Jr.	Charlie Creem, Resident
Harold Booth, Highway	Bruce Baker, Fire Chief
Holly White, Tax Collector	Rosemary Heino, Town Clerk
Stan Rastallis, Conservation Commission	Kevin Flanagan, HealthTrust
Russell Coney, Resident	

At 4:00 pm Ed called the meeting to order.

John asked Rosemary how the ballots were taken care of at the Sullivan County Home. She said that one of the nurses took care of them. John said that the Town Clerk, Moderator or Selectmen should have been down there. He suggested that the votes be contested.

Holly presented the tax warrant for the 2nd half of 2016. John made a motion to approve and sign. Second by Bill. All in favor.

Kevin Flanagan of HealthTrust discussed the current health/dental plan that four of the town employees are enrolled in. It will be discontinued in 2017 so Mr. Flanagan shared other options with the Board. The overall price increased 5.3%. The employees will need to review options prior to open enrollment in January.

Stan Rastallis stated that the Conservation Commission still only has four members. They need a replacement for Jennifer Thomson. He discussed mowing of the Thurber land. The cost was not budgeted for but he will discuss at the next meeting to see how it will be paid. Money through Fish and Game grant is also an option.

Craig Allen discussed new and used trucks for Highway. Mr. Allen will work on a final price for a new truck that he has on his lot.

Russell Coney stated that he did speak with Avitar and is satisfied with his

conversation with them.

Bruce Baker stated that it is time to re-appoint the Warden. John made a motion to reappoint Bruce Baker Fire Warden and Robert Noll as Deputy Warden. Second by Bill. All in favor.

Ed asked when the burn pile at the Landfill will get burned since it's been a long time. He suggested that the Fire Department start doing it on a more regular basis.

Bruce stated that he has been trying for 4 years to get a resident mailing update from Rosemary. The Board will discuss with her.

Bruce stated that he did an investigation on office space at the Fire Station and found that if an office were to be built upstairs it would reduce the occupancy from 85, with tables and chairs and 150 with chairs only. There would not be enough capacity to hold his training and fire department events. Paul Moeller offered to go to the Fire Station to see if he can find sufficient room to build an 8 x 12 office. Bruce also stated that the Town Hall will hold 175 with chairs only.

Ed requested that Chief Baker have a written letter stating that there is not enough room at the Fire Station for another office, by November 28th.

The Board reviewed the Minutes of October 31, 2016. John made a motion to approve the Minutes as written. Second by Bill. All in favor.

Harold stated that he has spread over 40 loads of gravel so far and will be spreading more through the week.

Ed read the letter from UVLSRPC regarding hosting a satellite Hazardous Household Waste drop off. Consensus of the Board to pass on this.

Bill made a motion to sign a pistol permit. Second by John. All in favor.

The Board read an e-mail regarding a resident who is complaining about the junk on the Janelle property. Tracy will call the Town Attorney tomorrow for an update. The Board discussed getting the State Health officer involved.

The Board read a message from a resident on Unity Springs Road who has an issue with her neighbor piling horse manure near their property line. The Board stated that there is not an ordinance against this. Tracy will call tomorrow and let her know that this is a civil matter.

Paul Moeller discussed several building inspections that he did over the past week.

Bill made a motion to approve the Minutes from November 2, 2016 as written.
Second by John. All in favor.

At 8:45 Bill made a motion to adjourn. Second by Bill. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Decker
Secretary

SELECTBOARD

Edward A. Gregory

William A. Schroeter

John M. Callum, Jr.