

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Thursday January 24, 2019
6:30PM
Chelsea Town Office

I. Call to regular meeting to order:

Selectboard present included Michael Pushard and Deborah Sanderson. Benjamin Smith was absent and excused.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33PM by Chairperson Sanderson.

Members of the public present included Scott Tilton, Carol Belanger, Don Ranks and Rebecca Ranks.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. Public Comment on items not part of the agenda: NONE

III. Adjustments to the agenda: NONE

IV. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrant # 34 in the amount of \$86,366.35
- B. Approval of Payroll Warrant # 35 in the amount of \$7,068.40
- C. Approval of January 10, 2019 Selectboard Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to table action on Consent Agenda Item A. The vote was presented.

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to approve Consent Agenda Item B and C as presented. The vote was unanimous.

V. Scheduled Items:

A. New Business:

1. Citizen Request for Hubbard Free Library Donation

Rebecca and Don Ranks were present to request the Selectboard include money for residents to pay for a membership or a portion of a membership to an area library in the upcoming town budget. No action was taken.

B. Old Business:

2. Everest Infrastructure Tower Lease Acquisition

The Manager presented the Board with a proposal from Everest Infrastructure to acquire Chelsea's lease to the cell tower land. Under the terms of the lease the current lease amount would be increased until the lease expires in 2034. In 2035, Everest will provide a matching share of the new lease amount with Chelsea. No action was taken.

3. Schedule BOS 2019-20 Municipal Budget Review

The Board was presented with possible dates for budget workshops. The dates of February 21 and March 7 at 6:30PM were selected as a starting point. The workshop dates will be publicized.

VI. Legal:

A. Tax Abatements -

1. Darren Ayotte –

2019 – Map 9 Lot 101 – Incorrect Assessment - \$20,000 in value

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a corrective abatement for 2018-19 tax year to Darren Ayotte on Acct. 1468 (Map 9 Lot 101) in the assessed amount of \$20,000 or \$399 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

2018 – Map 9 Lot 101 – Incorrect Assessment - \$20,000 in value

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a corrective abatement for 2017-18 tax year to Darren Ayotte on Acct. 1468 (Map 9 Lot 101) in the assessed amount of \$20,000 or \$391.60 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

2. Jean Brochu –

2019 – Map 9 Lot 101-01 – Incorrect Assessment - \$29,500 in value

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a corrective abatement for 2018-19 tax year to Jean Brochu on Acct. 1626 (Map 9 Lot 101-01) in the assessed amount of \$29,500 or \$588.83 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

2018 – Map 9 Lot 101-01 – Incorrect Assessment - \$29,500 in value

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a corrective abatement for 2017-18 tax year to Jean Brochu on Acct. 1626 (Map 9 Lot 101-01) in the assessed amount of \$29,500 or \$577.61 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

3. Romeo Gaboury –

2019 – Map 04 Lot 260-01 – Duplicate Assessment - \$66,965 in value

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a corrective abatement for 2018-19 tax year to Romeo Gaboury on Acct. 1637 (Map 4 Lot 260-01) in the assessed amount of \$66,965 or \$1,335.95 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

4. Russell Hopkins –

2019 – Map 04 Lot 182 – Error in Assessment - \$10,520 in value

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a corrective abatement for 2018-19 tax year to Russell Hopkins on Acct. 662 (Map 4 Lot 182) in the assessed amount of \$10,520 or \$209.87 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

5. Jeffrey Picciotto –

2019 – Map 05 Lot 023 – Error in Assessment - \$32,000 in value

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a corrective abatement for 2018-19 tax year to Jeffrey Picciotto on Acct. 1533 (Map 5 Lot 023) in the assessed amount of \$32,000 or \$638.40 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

B. Supplemental Tax –

1. Darren Ayotte – Map 9 Lot 101-01

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to approve a supplemental tax for 2018-19 tax year for Darren Ayotte on Acct. 1626 (Map 09 Lot 101-01) in the assessed amount of \$30,500 amount or \$608.48 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to approve a supplemental tax for 2017-18 tax year for Darren Ayotte on Acct. 1626 (Map 09 Lot 101-01) in the assessed amount of \$30,500 amount or \$597.19 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

2. Jean Brochu – Map 9 Lot 101

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to approve a supplemental tax for 2018-19 tax year for Jean Brochu on Acct. 1468 (Map 09 Lot 101) in the assessed amount of \$16,030 amount or \$319.80 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to approve a supplemental tax for 2017-18 tax year for Jean Brochu on Acct. 1468 (Map 09 Lot 101) in the assessed amount of \$16,030 amount or \$313.87 in taxes. The vote was unanimous.

C. Wing Tax Payment Refund – Map 16 Lot 33 – Worromontogus Lake Assoc.

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a refunded abatement for 2017-18 tax year payment to Ralph Sukeforth and Patricia Wing on Acct. 824 (Map16 Lot 033) in the amount of \$221.96. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to grant a refunded abatement for 2016-17 tax year payment to Ralph Sukeforth and Patricia Wing on Acct. 824 (Map16 Lot 033) in the amount of \$205.18. The vote was unanimous.

D. Traffic Control Ordinance Review and Schedule Public Hearing

The proposed language in the amended Traffic Control Ordinance was reviewed. The Selectboard requested the Manager modify the wording to only limit left turns from the lower section of Cherney Road to commercial vehicles. A public hearing will be held on February 14, 2019 at 6:30PM at the Town Office. No action was taken

E. Personnel Policy Amendments Review and Adoption

The proposed additions to the Personnel Policy were reviewed. No action was taken.

F. Cable TV Ordinance Review and Schedule Public Hearing

A proposed Cable TV Ordinance was reviewed. This is a new ordinance. A public hearing will be held on February 14, 2019 at 6:30PM at the Town Office. No action was taken.

VII. Written Communication:

- A. The Selectboard reviewed the programming Notice from Charter Communication dated January 11, 2019
- B. The Selectboard reviewed the invitation to attend Spurring Civic Engagement Workshop sponsored by MMA.

VIII. Verbal Communication:

- A. **Town Manager** – The Manager highlighted parts of a written report.
- B. **RSU #12 School Representative** – NONE
- C. **Boards and Committee** – NONE
- D. **Board of Selectmen/Assessors** –

Mr. Pushard – expressed his concern in how the current plowing was being done. He requested the Town Manager follow up with the contractor

Ms. Sanderson – stated that last Saturdays sand distribution program was a success with 88 residents picking up sand.

IX. Executive Session:

- A. Executive session to discuss a confidential matter pursuant to M.R.S. 1 § 405(6)(F). Item was tabled.
- B. Executive Session pursuant to M.R.S. 1 § 405 (6)(C). Item was tabled.
- C. Executive Session pursuant to M.R.S. 1 § 405 (6)(A). Item was tabled.

X. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Sanderson to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous. Sanderson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:52PM.

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on February 14, 2019

Deborah Sanderson

Michael Pushard

Benjamin Smith