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Summary of the Feb. 22, 2016 Selectmen Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. **Acceptance/Correction of minutes:** *Sel. Brown moved, Vice Chairman Lemay seconded to approve the public and non-public minutes of 2/8/16. Passed: 5-0-0.*
2. **Announcements:**
 - Supervisors of the Checklist are in session on 2/27/16 from 11:00 am – 11:30 am to correct the checklist and to register new voters before the March 8, 2016 Town Meeting.
 - Email from a Police Academy attendee commending Captain Kerry Steckowych
 - Email from Mike Pelletier commending the Police Dept. on traffic flow at the Primary.
3. **Public Comment:** Fire Chief O'Brien provided an update on this weekend's Fire Department responses. Friday night they responded to an incident on Blue Jay Lane where someone used an accelerant to start a brush fire. He suffered severe burns and was air lifted to Boston. He is improving. On Sunday there was a 3 alarm fire at 711 Mast Rd. former Jutras Signs. Fire was already through the roof when they arrived. There were 65 firefighters on the scene from several communities. Factors which made this fire difficult included the wind and magnitude; embers landed on the roofs of neighboring homes. Restaurant had exterior damage. Commendations to Police and CERT for traffic and crowd control, and to DPW Mike Hillhouse and Ray Gamache for using the excavator to get access to hot spots. Thanks to the Red Cross and area businesses who assisted firefighters with refreshments. The good news was there were no injuries. Cause of the fire is under investigation by the Fire Marshall's Office.
4. **Department Heads:**
 - a. Public Works Director Jacobs re: ROW encumbrance at 34 College Rd.
Director Jacobs used a power point presentation to illustrate the different designs (flat or sloped front yard), materials, costs and other options to move the wall out of the town ROW. Property owner Muriel Kohler and her nephew Craig Proulx attended the presentation. When asked their preference for the front yard, they stated they would like a level front yard like their current front yard. The Board would like a copy of the powerpoint for further discussion.
 - b. Police Chief Browne re: potential public/private partnership with Saint Anselm College
Chief Browne informed the Board that Saint Anselm College is applying for a 3 year DOJ grant of \$300,000 to address sexual violence and stalking. The Police Dept.'s commitment would be to participate in 5 four day training session over 3 years. The training sessions are offered in Orlando FL or Oregon. Also, commitment includes attending a monthly response meeting. Sel. Gross inquired as to the benefit to the community. Chief Browne said this training would be valuable in responding to any such incidents in the community, and will enable them to better deal with such issues.
5. **Town Administrator's Report**
 - a. Selectmen Weekly Meeting Schedule

Weds.	6:30 pm	HDC	Room 106
Weds.	7:00 pm	Conservation Commission	Cancelled
Thurs.	3:00 pm	10 Year Road Plan	Room 106
Thurs.	7:00 pm	Planning Board	Room 106
 - b. Consensus Folder
 - Employee Status Reports: CFF resignation; Fire Lieutenant retirement; Dispatcher – new hire; Bookkeeper retirement; Planning/Zoning Administrator new hire
 - Event Permit: Friends of the Norris Cotton Cancer Center – The Ultimate Prouty Bicycle Ride July 8th
 - 2012 Tax Deeding: Request to withdraw Map 19, Lot 25-5 from tax deeding
 - Annual Highway Safety Grant Application***Sel. Adams moved, Sel. Brown seconded to accept the Consensus folder. Passed: 5-0-0.***
 - c. Assessor's Recommendations
 - Veteran's Tax Credits (recommended): Map 10, Lot 7 and Map 6, Lot 24-48

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- Report of Timber Cut for 2015 (recommended): Map 10, Lot 30-3
- Tax Deferral Lien (recommended): Map 6, Lot 22-32
- Elderly Exemption (recommended): Map 6, Lot 17B-140
- Solar Energy Systems Exemption (recommended): Map 11, Lot 15
- Current Use Application (recommended): Map 10, Lot 29

Vice Chairman Lemay moved, Sel. Gross seconded to accept the Assessor's recommendations. Passed: 5-0-0.

d. Out-of-State travel request from Fire Dept.

The Board had received a memo from Fire Chief O'Brien requesting authorization to attend the Emergency Services Conference in Boston next month for one day. There is no cost for this conference.

Sel. Gross moved, Vice Chairman Lemay seconded to approve out-of-state travel request. Passed: 5-0-0.

6. **Selectmen Discussion**

- a. Committee Reports: EDC, Planning Board, Library Trustees (see minutes) Board suggested that if EDSAT cannot come in the early evening, then perhaps they could Skype their presentation. Sel. Adams prefers the presenters to be in attendance.
- b. New Business: No submissions
- c. Old Business: Selectmen signatures needed on Conservation Easement (Finke, Map 12, Lot 6-3); Review of Action Matrix – delete Finke Conservation Easement as the final documents were signed this evening.

7. **Public Comment**: None

Non-Public Session:

6:44 pm Sel. Adams moved, Vice Chairman Lemay seconded to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) compensation, (b) hiring, (c) adversely affect reputation, (d) lease of personal property. Roll call vote passed: 5-0-0.

7:20 pm Vice Chairman Lemay moved, Sel. Gross seconded to exit non-public session. Passed: 5-0-0.

Vice Chairman Lemay moved, Sel. Gross seconded to seal the non-public minutes. Roll call vote passed: 5-0-0.

Sel. Gross moved, Vice Chairman Lemay seconded to authorize the educational degree incentive contingent on a no past practice memo to the employee. Passed: 5-0-0.

Vice Chairman Lemay moved, Sel. Brown seconded to authorize the Police Chief to start a promotional process for Sergeant. Passed: 5-0-0.

Sel. Brown moved, Sel. Gross seconded to accept the Police Chief's recommended language for Police Dispatch Agreement with New Boston Police Dept. Passed: 5-0-0.

Vice Chairman Lemay moved, Sel. Adams seconded to move forward with conditional offers of employment for three positions. Passed: 5-0-0.

7:24 pm Sel. Brown moved, Vice Chairman Lemay seconded to adjourn. Passed: 5-0-0.