

**Poultney Board of Selectmen
Meeting
Monday, January 11, 2016 - 6:30 P.M
Poultney Town Hall**

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Public Comments and Concerns:
- 3) Road Report
- 4) Approval of Minutes: 12/28/15 (minutes of 12/18/2015 not prepared)
- 5) Committee to locate the Slate Stone
- 6) Town Manager's Report
 - Letters & Communications
 - Budget FY 2016
 - Draft FY 2017 Budget
 - Noise in the Nighttime
 - Disorderly Conduct
- 7) Transact Any Other Lawful Business:
- 8) Board Orders
- 9) Adjourn

Meeting Minutes
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Chairman Ed Lewis called the meeting to order. Other Board members present included: Corey Davenport, Frank Fressie, Jeff King and Tom Coloutti. Others present included: Jonas Rosenthal, Town Manager; Ron Kelley, Road Foreman; Debbie McMurry, Karen Atwood, Idris Atwood, Shawn Camara, Paul Hancock, Richard Balt, Keith Roberts Jr., Terry Williams, Russ Stiles, and Steve Taran.

Adoption of the Agenda: Jeff King made a motion to adopt the agenda. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments and Concerns: None at this time.

Road Report: The following was reported:

- 1) Last storm was partial ice and snow. No major problems.
- 2) Taking care of routine truck maintenance.
- 3) Fixing potholes.

Approval of Minutes: Rosenthal asked for a clarification of the motion to form a committee regarding the placement of the slate stone. Discussion followed. Jeff stated that was an accurate written description of the motion. Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the minutes of 12/28/15. Jeff King seconded the motion. Rosenthal distributed a copy of written comments from Ina Smith regarding the Board meeting of December 28th. Rosenthal explained that she wanted make sure that the full content of her comments were noted. Motion carried. Rosenthal stated that he did not have any minutes for the meeting that was held on 12/18/15 on the front lawn of the Town Office because he was in and out of the office on several different occasions for Town business during that meeting time.

Committee to locate the Slate Stone:

Letters were submitted requesting appointment to the Committee while others requesting appointment were called in. Copies of letters from Paul Hancock representing the Historical Society and Dick Weiss representing the local arts group were distributed. The Church called in the name of Joe Duffy while the Legion called in the name of Keith Roberts, Jr. Steve Taran requested an appointment representing the Slate industry. After some discussion amongst the Selectboard, Tom Coloutti volunteered to be a member of the Committee. Jeff King made a motion to appoint the committee as described above. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Discussion followed about what the charge and purpose of the Committee would be. Rosenthal commented that he hoped that the committee could find a spot for the stone on Town property and that the decision should accommodate the interests of all groups. The consensus was that everything (location of the stone) was on the table. Tom Coloutti will contact everyone with a meeting date, place and time. Motion carried.

Town Manager's Report:

- 1) Copies of Expenditure Reports for the General Government, Highway Department and the Fire Department dated January 2, 2016 were distributed.
- 2) Copies of the proposed General Government draft budget dated January 11 were distributed. Discussion followed. The Town Clerks budget and the Listers budget were submitted and entered. The Fire Department budget is still in progress. Aaron Kerber, Fire Chief could not attend tonight's meeting due to a conflict in his schedule. Aaron however did request an additional \$ 15,000 to be added to the Equipment Replacement Fund. This would bring the total annual amount to \$ 65,000. The Fire Department would have \$ 230,000 in the Fund (including this year's allocation) by the end of FY 2016.
- 3) **Disorderly Conduct Ordinance:** The revised ordinance dated January 11, 2016 was presented for final review. Frank Fressie made a motion to approve and adopt the ordinance as presented. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 4) **Objectionable Noise Ordinance:** The revised ordinance dated January 11, 2016 was presented for final review. Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Board Orders: Jeff King made a motion to approve the Board Orders. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Frank Fressie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

s/Jonas Rosenthal