

**Select Board  
Minutes  
December 16, 2014**

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Leverett Town Hall, 7 pm

Present: Rich, Julie, Peter, Lisa, and Margie

Margie reviewed the COA's plan to hire an outreach worker with grant money. The board had asked about hiring the individual as a contractor instead of as an employee but this would have caused too many issues. It was agreed to post the advertisement as an employee and let the COA handle the rest.

The minutes of December 9 were approved as written.

Julie reviewed the HRA agreement and how the HRA would assist the town in running the program. The cost per year to the town is about \$10,000 per round. Applicants would apply to a lottery assuming there are that many applicants. **Motion: To approve the HRA agreement. Vote: 3-0 in favor.**

Margie researched rescinding the CPA program. After 5 years the town may revoke the CPA program in the same manner in which it was accepted (first by Town Meeting vote, then a ballot vote). There was discussion about who should bring this to Town Meeting; it may come in the form of a citizen's petition. Margie will calculate how much a tax payer would save so that info is available for town meeting. The board would also like the Community Pres. Com. to be able to review the projects that have been paid for with CPA funds.

The Transfer Station Coordinator job description has been sent to Neil for possible changes or updates. Margie will advertise the week of Feb. 15, interviews will be held in March with plenty of time for the new hire to overlap with Neil before he leaves.

Additionally, Margie will call Montague and Erving to get detail about how their trash pick-up programs operate and are funded since if a change is desired, now would be the time.

Interviews for the new Fire Chief were held last Friday. Three applications were received. One individual removed himself from consideration after finding out that the position was part-time. Of the two interviews the committee is sending one on to the Select Board for an additional interview. John Ingram is a Captain on the Amherst Fire Dept. and is interested in serving as part-time chief for Leverett. The board will interview him on January 6. If offered the job he will require a full background check and psych testing. Hopefully this could be completed in January.

Lisa will begin to plan a retirement party for John Moruzzi for mid-February so it can be advertised in the Feb. Newsletter.

The mail was read.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm

Minutes taken and recorded by Lisa Stratford.

