Select Board Minutes February 10, 205

Leverett Town Hall, 7 pm

Present: Rich, Peter, Julie, Margie, Lisa from Fin. Com. Tom Gregg, Steve and Tom H.

The Town Clerk swore in newly hired Fire Chief, John Ingram. The room was full of friends, family, and co-workers of John's. His son pinned his badge on and his daughter took pictures.

Police Dept. Budget Hearing

Gary's 3.5% reduced budget reflected decreases in the training line item. In the 8.5% reduced budget Gary would reduce the radio maintenance and regular maintenance both by \$400 as well as reduce the training line. The board discussed a reduction in the part-time police hours. If needed, this will be readdressed later in the budget season.

(The Highway Dept. Budget Hearing was rescheduled to March 10 along with the Fire Dept.)

The board agreed to hold the Budget Hearing on March 24, 2015 at 7 pm at the Town Hall along with Candidate's Night (if anyone comes).

Motion: To deficit spend in the Snow and Ice Salaries and Materials line items. Vote (Select Board): 3-0 in favor, (Finance Com.) 4-0 in favor.

The Finance Committee reviewed and approved two transfer requests.

The board reviewed the HRA agreement. Peter had a few changes that Margie tracked and will discuss with the Housing Authority. The board signed the agreement. An informational meeting about the program will be held on Feb. 23 at the Town Hall, presented by HRA.

Margie told the board that John locked in heating oil at \$2.19/per gallon for next year.

The minutes of Feb. 3 were approved.

The Transfer Station survey was reviewed and will be put in the March newsletter for feedback.

The March 3 Select Board meeting and budget hearing with the Regional School were canceled since the four-town meeting is on Feb. 28.

Julies' letter to the Governor was signed. Margie will forward copies to our representatives and newspapers as well.

Motion (8:24): To go into Executive Session with regard to litigation. Brazeau, aye; d'Ericco, aye; Shively, aye.