

Town of New Haven Selectboard Meeting
5:15 pm
Monday, January 25, 2010
Town Offices

Present: Pam Marsh, Kathy Barrett, Roger Boise, Kathleen Ready, Treasurer,
Barb Torian and Clerk, Pam Kingman

Absent: Pat Paquette

Visitors: Bev Landon and Cindy Hill

AGENDA RESULTS:

Discuss wording of the Warning for Town Meeting 2010. A few minor corrections were made.

Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve and sign the Warning for Town Meeting, seconded by Kathleen Ready. 4 yes / 0 no

Pam Marsh informed the Board that Paul and Linda Horn have elected not to have their property on the ballot for Town Meeting.

VISITORS BUSINESS:

1. Bev Landon – Fiscal v. Calendar year accounting - She received a call this afternoon from Pam Kingman inviting her to the meeting. She is disappointed that she did not have any advance notice. She has been to other Selectboard meetings and was told the Board was not going to discuss the issue at that meeting. Mrs. Landon expressed her concerns over trying to change to a fiscal year. The Town has operated on a calendar year since she was the Treasurer and it is currently working fine. Current Treasurer Barb Torian stated how frustrated she also was not to have advance knowledge of this discussion taking place tonight. She was not prepared and had to change plans in order to attend. Barb Torian and Bev Landon agree that the Auditors should have had the opportunity to attend as well.

Discussion about fiscal v. calendar, and how if it does change what the payment schedules may be, when interest and penalties apply.

Pam Marsh stated she would at least like to put the question to the voters; she had contacted several area towns to see how they run their year.

Pam Marsh made a motion to put the question on the ballot for consideration by the voters. Worded as the following “ Shall the Town vote to adopt a fiscal year as allowed by 24 V.S.A. § 1683, with an initial 18 month fiscal year from January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, and a July 1 through June 30 fiscal year thereafter? By Australian Ballot. Motion seconded by Kathleen Ready. 3 yes / 1 no

2. Cindy Hill – Sleeper Property – Reviewed wording for the Warning. Roger Boise suggested if the voters approve of the purchase, we can include in the agreement a right of first refusal to purchase Mrs. Sleepers house if she ever decides to sell it.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

1. Payroll – Kathleen Ready made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$3,620.07, seconded by Roger Boise. 4 yes / 0 no
2. Pay Orders – Roger Boise made a motion to approve the pay orders in the amount of \$8,370.54, seconded by Kathleen Ready. 4 yes / 0 no
3. Pam Marsh signed the agreement with Gov.Office to set up the website.

Adjourn: 7:00 pm
Respectfully submitted:
Pam Kingman
Approved:

Pam Marsh, Chair

Kathy Barrett

Roger Boise

Kathleen Ready