

**Town of Chelsea
Board of Selectmen Minutes
March 14, 2018
6:30PM
Regular Meeting
Chelsea Town Office**

I. Call to order:

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by Vice Chairman Smith.

Selectmen present were Benjamin Smith and Michael Pushard. Richard Danforth was absent and excused.

Members of the public present included Scott Tilton, Fire Chief Shawn Ramage, Asst. Chief Jim Gagnon, David Spicer, Ken Ripley and Carol Belanger.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

II. Public Comment on items not part of the agenda: NONE

III. Adjustments to the agenda:

Move Item V. 2. Discussion with Chief Ramage regarding issues with Ford Squad and future action to after the Consent Agenda.

IV. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Payroll Warrant # 40 in the amount \$ 6,376.46
- B. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrant # 41 in the amount \$ 220,873.46
- C. Approval of Accounts Payable warrant # 42 in the amount of \$ 4,267.63
- D. Approval of February 28, 2018 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Pushard that was seconded by Mr. Smith to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C and D as presented. The vote was unanimous.

V. Scheduled Items:

A. New Business:

2. Discussion with Chief Ramage regarding issues with 2005 Ford Squad and future action

Chief Ramage discussed with the Board the problems that have been occurring with the 2005 Ford. The vehicle is a front-line piece which has developed a severe oil leak. The current problem with the vehicle is a concern. The Chief discussed with the Board possible options. The plan is to make repairs to the unit to stop the oil leak. A search for a replacement unit is also underway

1. Plowing and sanding discussion with David Spicer

David Spicer reviewed with the Board his plans for plowing and sanding the roads in Chelsea once he is awarded the contract. He is in the process of purchasing additional equipment to improve his level of service. No action was taken.

V. Scheduled Items:

B. Old Business:

1. 2013 – 14 Real Estate Tax Write off as uncollectible – Advent Church

The Tax Collector discussed a 2014 RE tax on property owned by the Advent Church at Map 16 Lot 72. The unpaid balance is part of an abatement approved by the Selectmen which was for a partial amount. The Tax Collector explained to the Board that the amount of the tax was \$74.67 and he felt the amount was uncollectible.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to approve the Tax Collectors request to write off the taxes as uncollectible and releasing the Tax Collector from collecting the tax. The vote was unanimous.

2. E911 Address Change – Ledgewood Drive to Ledgewood Ln

The Selectmen received a letter from Nathan Taczli requesting the name of the private way he lives on be changed to Ledgewood Lane from Ledgewood Drive. The Board by consensus agreed to the name change and instructed the Manager to work with the E911 Officer to take the to complete the change.

3. Disposition of Tax Acquired Property

The Treasurer discussed with the Board the various terms that each owner of tax acquired property had agreed to pay to buy back their property.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to convey the property at Map 9 Lot 180 (Acct 1051) by Quit Claim Deed back to Alfred Taylor after payment of the 2016 taxes, costs and interest in the amount of \$ 1,559.25. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to convey the property at Map 4 Lot 14 (Acct 1566) by Quit Claim Deed back to David Harris after payment of the 2016 taxes, costs and interest in the amount of \$ 2,744. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to convey the property at Map 2 Lot 10 (Acct 708) by Quit Claim Deed back to Cynthia Kimball after payment of the 2016 taxes, costs and interest in the amount of \$ 405.93. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to convey the property at Map 10 Lot 15MH (Acct 1294) by Quit Claim Deed back to Joyce Kimball after payment of the 2016 taxes, costs and interest in the amount of \$ 644.66. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to convey the property at Map 5 Lot 77HS (Acct 1587) by Quit Claim Deed back to Chris Burns after payment of the 2016 taxes, costs and interest in the amount of \$ 653.67. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to convey the property at Map 16 Lot 55 (Acct 1450) by Quit Claim Deed back to Jennifer Doyle after payment of the 2015 Supplemental taxes, costs and interest in the amount of \$ 1,073.20 and the 2016 taxes, costs and interest in the amount of \$ 1,887.84. The vote was unanimous.

VI. Legal:

A. Board of Selectmen Appointments

1. Elizabeth Jean – Ad Hoc Economic Development Committee

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to appoint Elizabeth Jean to the Ad Hoc Economic Development Committee. The vote was unanimous.

2. Elizabeth Jean – Budget Committee

A motion was made by Mr. Smith that was seconded by Mr. Pushard to appoint Elizabeth Jean to the Budget Committee. The vote was unanimous.

VII. Written Communication:

- A.** The Selectmen reviewed the CEO Report for February 2018
- B.** The Selectmen reviewed Town Clerk Report for February 2018
- C.** The Selectmen reviewed the Treasurer Report for March 14, 2018
- D.** The Selectmen reviewed Town Managers Report

VIII. Verbal Communication:

- A. Town Manager – NONE**
- B. Chelsea’s RSU #12 Representative – NONE**
- C. Boards and Committee – NONE**
- D. Board of Selectmen/Assessors –**

Ben Smith – updated the Board and the public on the legislative process underway to get Chelsea representation on the Hallowell Water District Board of Trustees. In addition to the making changes legislatively he was going to obtain further information from the Hallowell Water District by means of a FOIA Request.

IX. Executive Session: NONE

X. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Pushard that was seconded by Mr. Smith to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40PM.

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on March 28, 2018.

Absent
Richard Danforth

Michael Pushard

Benjamin Smith