

Shutesbury Board of Selectmen Friday September 30, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Members present: Chairwoman Elaine Puleo and members Al Springer and April Stein.

Also Present: Town Administrator Rebecca Torres, Administrative Secretary Leslie Bracebridge recording.

Meeting opened at 8:02 P.M. at the Shutesbury Town Hall

Topics

Police Chief Harding:

1. Selectmen were introduced to proposed new part time police officer Timothy "Tim" Batchelder. It is anticipated that if hired, Mr. Batchelder will be available days and weekends shifts.
 - a. Selectmen reviewed Mr. Batchelder's resume:
 - i. Tim is a full time officer in Leverett working evenings going on 5 years.
 - ii. Tim is working toward a Master of Science degree in criminal justice.
 - iii. Tim has "domestics" training and currently sits on a board that arranges such training.
 - b. Tim stated that his and his wife's goal is to buy a piece of land in Leverett or Shutesbury and raise a family there.

Selectmen unanimously voted to appoint Timothy Batchelder as a part time police officer in Shutesbury.

2. Special Town Meeting Warrant – 10/25/11: See Select Board Action Items below.
3. Special Town Election Warrant – 11/08/11: See Select Board Action Items below.
4. Right of first refusal issue – letter to sign: See Select Board Action Items below.
5. Fire Station Gas Leak Update – Water Test Results/Jim was out on Thursday/Al reports water level at 4'3" on Wednesday morning, so lower today...:
 - a. Becky hopes to speak with Licensed Site Professional Jim Okun today.
 - b. The water table was 4'3" on Wednesday. Al: The water smelled some; not as strong as it used to.
6. PAF for returning custodian Chris O'Neil: See Select Board Action Items below.
7. 250th Ball – post mortem/collect all invoices: All receipts are not in yet. Selectmen reviewed the summary P & L: Right now the event is ahead by \$50+ awaiting final costs for the tables, tent and dance floor. A note of thanks will be sent to the 250th Committee for their support of the event.

Select Board Action Items

1. Selectmen unanimously voted to sign the October 25, 2011 special town meeting warrant.
2. Selectmen unanimously voted to sign the November 8, 2011 special override election warrant.
3. Selectmen unanimously voted to sign a Personnel Action Form for new hire Assessor Susan Reyes.
4. Selectmen unanimously voted to sign a Personnel Action Form for re-hire Custodian Chris O'Neil.
5. Selectmen unanimously voted to sign a Right of First Refusal Letter for lots D-9 and D-102 within the Locks Pond Rd. Morse Hill Recreation area as was discussed at the September 27, 2011 meeting.

Topics the Chairman Could Not Reasonably Have Anticipated

1. Elaine just met with New Library Fundraising Committee Chairman Susie Mosher:

- a. Elaine has offered to put on a dinner fund-raising event: Can the public school be used if alcohol is served? Are there other locations for such an event in Shutesbury, Amherst or elsewhere?

2. Bulky Waste Day summary: Everything is ready to go for the Saturday, October 1 Bulky Waste Day.

The Select Board **adjourned at 8:45 A.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Bracebridge

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Administrative Secretary