

Selectboard
January 6, 2020
MONTHLY MEETING

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Members Present: Susan Bartlett, Chair; David Gagnier arrived at 6:30 pm, Vice-Chair; Roger Audet; and Roland Boivin
Members Absent: Roger Barry;
Others Present: Members from the North Hyde Park / Eden Fire Department Inc.; Eden Selectboard members – Ricky Morin, Adam Degree and Barbara Dewyea. GMATV did videotape this meeting.

Susan opened the meeting at 5:45 p.m. at the NHP/Eden Fire Station.

1. **Welcome**, Changes to the Agenda (None) and no public comment.
2. **Town Zoning Amendments** – The Board accepted the 12/16/2019 amendments from the Town Planning Commission and each member received the strike version of the 2018 Land Use and Development Regulations. Motion by Roger to set a public hearing for review of the zoning amendments on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the municipal offices. Seconded by Roland. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
3. **Lamoille Neighbors** – The Lamoille Neighbors group has requested a small increase in their annual appropriation from \$600 to \$800 for FY2021 and would like to have the Selectboard accept the request into the budget without a petition and vote of the Town which is required in the policy. Motion by Roland to approve the petition waiver and include the \$800 amount in the FY2021 budget going before voters at Town Meeting. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
4. **Executive Session** – Motion by Roland to move into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
5. **Town Office Position** – The Board reviewed the current FY2020 budget for available funds to support a new full-time position in the town clerk’s office. Motion by Roland to authorize the Town Clerk/Treasurer and Board of Listers to work together to hire one person at no more than 40 hours per week and to present a wage request to the Board for review and approval, that is based on qualifications, before making an offer to a candidate. Seconded by Dave. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
6. **Wage Adjustment** – Susan recommended that as this position grows in responsibilities, compensation should be adjusted. Motion by Dave to increase Alyson Cusson’s hourly wage by \$2.50, retroactive to 01/02/2020, with a subsequent 6-month review to consider moving the finance director to exempt status. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against, motion passed. Dave arrived at this point.
7. **NHP/Eden Fire Department Budget with Eden Selectboard** – The fire department made its FY2021 budget presentation to both boards and answered questions. The Board will decide the final appropriation at the time the full town budget is discussed.
8. **MOU & Resolution on NHP/Eden Capital Purchase** – The Boards reviewed the draft MOU and discussed minor amendments but decided to move forward with the current draft and make changes in the future, if needed. Motion by Dave to approve the NHP/Eden Fire Department Capital Purchase MOU and Resolution. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 4 in favor, 0 against, motion passed. All board members will be asked to sign the MOU and then file in the respective town clerks’ offices.
9. **Other Business & Notices – None**
10. **Adjourn** – Motion by Dave to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. No objection, so adjourned.