

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD
MINUTES

Date: January 24, 2017
Time: 9:07am
Place: Town Hall
Egremont

Present at the table were Chairman Flynn, Vice-Chairman Turner, Selectman Brazie,
Also present were Laura Allen, and for parts of the meeting Lucinda Vermeulen and Steve Agar.

The Board discussed with Lucinda Vermeulen the Planning Board's FY 2018 budget request. The PB is seeking a revolving fund for their special permit hearing fees, which the board agreed to. Questions arose about the request for more technical assistance money and funds for the sending of a questionnaire. The FY 2017 special article for \$3,200 will be reviewed to see what that can be used for.

The Board discussed with Steve Agar the Water Department budget. A key item is when Jim Olmsted will actually retire. His sick leave buy back can be a special article so that it will carry over if not used in FY 2018. Utilities will be looked at again. The amount for a back up operator seemed low. The changing of the water main at the Mount Washington Road bridge needs to be quoted.

The Town will have to begin the borrowing process for the Broadband soon as the town needs to pay for the make ready work - approximately \$750,000.

The Board discussed the Police budget with the Police Chief Tyler Race. Contingency was included for the possibility of sending an officer to the Full-time Academy. A new speed trailer split between the Highway, Police and Emergency Management will be considered.

The board will invite the Council on Aging in to explain their budget request.

The Board approved the following budget requests:

Friends of Prospect Lake	\$5,000 special article
French Park trails	\$1,000
Conservation Commission	\$2,945

The next budget meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 31 at 9am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14am.

Mary Brazie,
Office Administrator

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