

Leyden Selectboard
Leyden Town Hall
Minutes
August 11, 2016

Selectboard Members Present: Bill Glabach, Lance Fritz.

Others Present: Bob Hardesty, Mary Lou Barton, Carey Barton, Michele Giarusso, Shelby Ashline, Matt Muka, Nik Adamski.

Call to order 6:47pm.

Minutes

MOTION: Lance moved to accept the minutes of August 4 as written. Approved unanimously.

Recreation Committee

Carey and the Board discussed Carey's suggestions for the Pavilion and Avery Field. (1) He would like to purchase and construct an ice rink near the Pavilion; (2) the maple trees by the Pavilion are diseased and should be taken down; (3) the kitchen and bathroom area needs to be renovated, or maybe even torn down and rebuilt. The Board said they are okay with the plans for an ice rink. Lance suggested that if the bathroom and kitchen area could be renovated within the revolving account, they should use those funds. If it needs to be rebuilt, that would require an article for the Annual Town Meeting warrant. Carey should talk to Dave Brooks about the maple trees. As Tree Warden, he would make the decision to remove.

Mary Lou would like the Board to appoint David Annear to the Recreation Committee. The Board will discuss at next meeting when Jeff is present.

The Board decided that they should discuss the maintenance of the water garden with the Principal.

Fire Dept. / Fire Truck

Michele addressed the Board concerning the fire truck that, supposedly, the Fireman's Association purchased. She wants to know why the Finance Committee was asked to meet with the Fire Chief and get involved in this situation. Since they were asked to get involved, she tried to get information about the truck from the Fire Dept., but was told that the Association's meeting minutes were not public information. Discussion. Michele feels that the Board of Directors of the Fireman's Association should have met with the Selectboard before they decided to consider acquiring a fire truck. After further discussion, the Board agreed that the Finance Committee should not be involved in this situation. They also said that no Selectboard member would personally call the Finance Committee to set up meetings with department heads. This should be a Board decision.

Matt discussed the fire truck with the Board. He said that the Association did acquire a fire truck. They thought it was too good of a deal to pass up. Bill said that he made it abundantly clear to the Fire Chief that he was not to make any major purchases or make any policy changes without first bringing it before the Selectboard. Discussion. Matt said that he would do his best to get the message through to the Chief.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jeff moved to adjourn. Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 11:20am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hardesty