

Leyden Selectboard Meeting
Leyden Town Hall
Minutes
March 30, 2017

Selectboard Members Present: Jeff Neipp, Bill Glabach, Lance Fritz.

Others Present: Bob Hardesty, Bob Ryan, Ginger Robinson, Michele Giarusso. Carol Johnson, Nik Adamski, Cliff Spatcher.

Call to order 6:47pm.

Broadband Update

Bob Ryan presented a progress update for the Broadband project. He began by stressing the importance of putting the \$62,911, to be raised at ATM, into a separate account that can be utilized, with Selectboard approval, rather than into a stabilization account that needs Town Meeting approval for transfer. The reasoning is that the money may be needed soon for pole application fees, legal fees, hiring a project manager, and engineering fees. These fees alone total \$85,000. After discussion, the Board and Finance Committee agreed to put the money raised and appropriated into the Broadband construction, installation, and maintenance account.

Budget and Warrant Discussion

Cliff Spatcher explained the budget for the Fire Department. The Finance Committee asked him to explain the request for the \$3,450 for software upgrade. Cliff explained that Shelburne Control will be upgrading their system, and the Fire Dept. needs to be able to communicate with them under the new system. After further discussion, it was decided to add a separate article for the software.

The Selectboard and Finance Committee continued to review the Warrant and Budget drafts. Several changes were suggested and discussed. The Warrant revisions were agreed upon by the Board and the Finance Committee. They will continue to review the Omnibus Budget when they meet again on April 13.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jeff moved to adjourn. Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hardesty