

**Leyden Selectboard
Leyden Town Hall
Minutes
April 6, 2017**

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

Others Present: Bob Hardesty.

Call to order 9:00am.

Minutes

MOTION: Lance moved to accept the minutes of March 23 as written. Unanimous.

Pole Hearing – Gates Road

The Board discussed Eversource request for a pole hearing for poles to be installed on Gates Road.

MOTION: Lance moved to hold a pole hearing for Eversource to install poles on Gates Road on April 27, at 7:00pm at Town Hall. Unanimous.

Engine One Repairs

Jeff reported that Dan Galvis informed him that it would take \$3,500 to \$5,500 to get Engine One back in operation. He told Dan to do nothing until the Board discusses the situation. The pump will have to be removed and the flange will need to be machined. Dan said he could use some of the Vermont Yankee fund to help pay for the repairs, and then pay for the balance with a Reserve Transfer. Discussion. All agreed to go ahead and fix the truck. As for the ATM Article, leave it at \$4,500.

Fire Dept. Software Upgrade

The Board discussed the Fire Department's request to fund a communications software upgrade. They decided to call other fire departments to see how they are dealing with this, and Shelburne Control to see what is the status of their upgrade. Lance feels that the request may be a bit premature. Bill suggested that an article could be put a future town meeting warrant when it is more relevant. This should be discussed with Cliff.

Municipal Light Plant Board Members

The Board discussed setting the number of members to be elected to the Municipal Light Plant Board. They decided that is probably too early to discuss this, because depending on who will operate the Broadband system, we may not even need an MLP Board.

WiredWest Assessment

Al Woodhull sent the Selectboard a letter requesting that the ATM article asking for a \$1000.00 annual assessment for WiredWest be withdrawn. The Board agreed to withdraw the article, and decided that they could reconsider it for another town meeting after they receive a financial statement from WiredWest.

Last Mile Infrastructure Grant

MOTION: Lance moved to authorize Bob Ryan to be the contact person for the Last Mile Infrastructure Grant application, and to sign the completed application. Unanimous.

MLP Accounting

The board discussed the possibility of the Accountant and Treasurer having a bigger workload if we need to use the MLP for the Broadband operation. They suggested adding more to their salary lines if the workload does become more demanding. Bill suggested adding an additional \$500 to \$1000 to the salaries. They will discuss this further with FINCOM at next meeting.

Town Car

The Board decided that the Town Car should be left at Town Hall for use by Town employees when doing Town business out of Town.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jeff moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:40am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hardesty