

Town of Antrim, New Hampshire

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes 01/17/2017

Town of Antrim-Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes January 17, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Selectman John Robertson in the Little Town Hall.

Members Present: John Robertson, Michael Genest, Robert L. Edwards

Staff Present: Donna Hanson

Others Present: Jack Kenworthy, John Murphy, Mary Allen

Agenda Items:

- Mr. Edwards moved to approve the minutes of January 3, 2017. Mr. Genest seconded. Passed 3/0.
- Mr. Genest moved to approve the non-public minutes of January 3, 2017. Mr. Edwards seconded. Passed 3/0.
- Mr. Murphy from Geoenvironmental, Inc. (GZA) discussed the proposal from GZA to provide consulting services to assist with a review of the decommissioning plan and costs estimates prepared by Antrim Wind, LLC. Mr. Kenworthy from Antrim Wind Energy LLC (AWE) said that he would be the contact for AWE if there were any questions relating to assumptions or approach as presented in the AWE decommissioning plan prepared by TRC. Mr. Murphy said he would be in touch with Mr. Kenworth to make sure he has the updated plans. Mr. Murphy stated that he could complete the project within the timeline that was submitted in the proposal once updated with the current dates. Mr. Genest asked Mr. Kenworthy if AWE could pay for the cost of hiring GZA. The estimated cost is \$5,000.00. Mr. Kenworthy said he would get back to the BOS with an answer at a later date. Mr. Genest moved to hire Mr. John Murphy from GZA. Mr. Edwards seconded. Passed 3/0
- Mr. Robertson explained that since the Site Evaluation Committee approved the Wind Farm, the Charles Bean Conservation Easement would be added to the Town Warrant this year as previously planned. There was a public hearing in 2013 regarding the easement but a petition was presented at the hearing to have this matter go before the legislative body for a vote. Mr. Kenworthy was asked if there was any interest from the Harris Center or another organization to hold the easement instead of the Town. Mr. Kenworthy said that at this time, there was not. There was discussion about the town being able to transfer the easement and if the allocated \$10,000.00 was enough to manage the easement over its life.
- The BOS agreed that they would have a warrant article for the All Veterans Tax Credit. If approved at Town Meeting this credit would allow all veterans that have served at least 90 days, regardless of when they served, and honorably discharged to qualify for an annual credit of \$500.00 on their property tax bill. There was discussion that there was no way to predict how many would apply and how much this could affect the tax rate.
- Mr. Genest moved to appoint Mrs. Christine Morris to the Park & Rec Commission. Mr. Edwards seconded.
 Passed 3/0.
- Mr. Genest moved to approve a Standard Veterans Credit for an applicant. Mr. Edwards seconded. Passed 3/0.

- Mr. Edwards gave a summary of the Water & Sewer Commissioners meeting. Mr. Genest would like to set a future meeting with the Commissioners to understand plans for their future projects.
- Mr. Robertson gave a summary of the Planning Board meeting.

Other Business:

- Mr. Edwards discussed the need to have a cutoff time for items on BOS meeting agendas. It was decided that
 anything that comes in after the Friday before a meeting, unless urgent, would be added to the following
 meeting's agenda.
- Mr. Genest informed the BOS that the Sobriety Center will have an open house on Thursday, January 26th from 2-5 p.m.
- Mr. Genest moved to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (c) application for assistance. Mr. Edwards seconded. Passed 3/0

After no further business Mr. Robertson moved to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.. Mr. Genest seconded. Passed 3/0

Respectfully submitted, Donna Hanson