

**TOWN OF MEXICO
REGULAR BOARD OF SELECTMENS MEETING
APRIL 3RD, 2018 (TUESDAY) 6:30 P.M
TOWN OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM
MINUTES**

Present: Richard Philbrick-Chairman, Clifford Stewart-Vice chair, Thomas T.J. Williams, Reginald Arsenault Jr.

Absent: A. Byron Ouellette

Others: Jack Gaudet-Town Manager, Jennifer Blodgett-Executive Secretary, Richard Jones-Fire Chief, Wayne Sevigne-Recreation Director, Representative Richard Picket, Representative John Madigan, George Byam, Kelsey Bevins- Access Channel, Bruce Farrin-Rumford Falls Times.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGANCE- Recited

At this time Chairman Richard Philbrick called Representative Dick Picket to the floor. Mr. Picket was here to present Mexico citizen George Byam with a legislative sentiment to recognize the former selectmen for all his years of hard work and dedication to the Town of Mexico. George moved to Mexico in 1962 and has been an active member of the community ever since. He has owned and operated two businesses. George drove for the Hope Association for ten year's he is on the board of directors for the GRAMPA food pantry. He was a Mexico Selectmen for more than two terms. George was instrumental in getting many of the town streets rebuilt. He is also an active member of the Mexico Congregational Church and has served as Deacon, Trustee, and has been a member of various committees. Mr. Byam was very surprised to be receiving the sentiment.

At this time Chairman Richard Philbrick called Representative John Madigan to the floor. Mr. Madigan was here to present the Town of Mexico with a legislative sentiment in honor of the towns February 13th, 200th Bicentennial Birthday. On February 13th, 2018 a group of Mexico citizens as well as the Town Manager, Executive Secretary, and a Selectmen made a trip to The State House as guests of Representative John Madigan to celebrate the Town's Bicentennial.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

Minutes

****Motioned by T.J. Williams, second by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., to approve the selectmen meeting minutes dated March 20, 2018. Voted unanimously to approve.**

****Motioned by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., second by T.J. Williams to approve the executive session meeting minutes dated March 22, 2018. Voted unanimously to approve.**

Warrants

****Motioned by T.J. Williams, second by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., to approve the warrants dated March 27th, and April 3rd, 2018. Voted unanimously to approve.**

MONTHLY BUDGET REVIEW

Clifford Stewart had question as to why we are over budget on the solid waste account. Jack will check with Janna on that to see what has been coming out of that account.

TABLES ITEMS

****Motioned by T.J. Williams, second by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., to table this item until the next selectmens meeting to allow Jack to finish working on the policies. Voted unanimously to approve.**

OLD BUISNESS

None

NEW BUISNESS

We have received a quote from Lenny Bolduc for replacing the 6 windows downstairs in the Calvin Lyons hall. The quote was for \$3996.18 that price includes the windows and labor. Discussion followed.

****Motioned by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., second by T.J. Williams to accept the quote from Lenny Bolduc to replace the windows in the Calvin Lyons Hall at a price of \$3996.18 with the money coming out of the building repair fund. Voted unanimously to approve.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire department report

The Annual Easter egg hunt went very well this year. We have one member of the fire department that is taking their fire one and two.
April 29th, 2018 is a mandatory BLs training.
Maine Municipal Association came and did an inspection of the fire station and everything went well.

Police department report

Written report given

Recreation department report

We had 270 kids in the basketball program. Floor hockey is still ongoing and has been a great hit with the kids and adults. Every program is growing in size from year to year.

Town manager's report

April 11, 2018 is the AVCOG General Assembly meeting. Reginald Arsenault, Jr., Jack Gaudet and T.J. Williams will be attending.

The Chamber of Commerce has invited us to a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 13th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. for new business Junky Frame Art Studio & Shoppe at 125 Main Street in Mexico.

Road commissioners report

We have received a quote from Morrison Motors for a replacement motor for Toby's truck in the amount of \$22,637.67. Morrison's has stated that we would have to put the same type motor back in or the wiring won't match up and there could be an issue with emission control. Discussion followed.

****Motioned by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., second by T.J. Williams to spend up to \$24,500 on a new motor and any other parts needed to replace the motor in Toby's truck. Voted unanimously to approve.**

General Assistance report

Written report given

Code Enforcement

Written report given

Library report

Written report given

Selectmens report

****Motioned by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., second by Clifford Stewart to accept Dan Casey's resignation letter from the Planning Board. It is with great regret that the board voted unanimously to approve.**

Clifford Stewart

I attended the Dare program graduation ceremony on March 27th, 2018 at the Mountain Valley High School. It was a great night and I was very impressed with the whole event.

Reginald Arsenault, Jr.

All Set

T.J. Williams

All set

Richard Philbrick

I just want to say thank you to Representatives Richard Picket and John Madigan for attending tonight's meeting and for presenting George Byam and the Town of Mexico with legislative sentiments. Also April 9th, 2018 is the next school board meeting at 6:30 P.M. at the Penacook School in Rumford.

Public discussion

Citizen George Byam asked selectmen is everyone got a wage increase for the upcoming fiscal year and he wanted to know if it was a flat rate for everyone across the

board. The select board told him no that wasn't how it worked out this year. More discussion followed.

I MOVE THAT THE BOARD GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TITLE 1§ M.R.S.A 405 (6) (G) TO DISCUSS EXAMINATION RESULTS.

TIME IN 7:15 P.M.

****Motioned by T.J. Williams, second by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., to go into executive session pursuant to Title 1§ M.R.S. A. 405 (6) (G) to discuss examination results. Voted unanimously to approve.**

TIME OUT 7:34 P.M.

****Motioned by T. J. Williams, second by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., to come out of executive session pursuant to Title 1§ M.R.S. A. 405 (6) (G) from discussing examination results. Voted unanimously to approve.**

ACTION TAKEN

Develop fire protection plan for the recreation building.

I MOVE THAT THE BOARD GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TITLE 1§ M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A) TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER.

TIME IN 7:16 P.M.

****Motioned by T.J. Williams, second by Reginald Arsenault, Jr., to go into executive session pursuant to Title 1§ M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A) to discuss a personal matter. Voted unanimously to approve.**

TIME OUT 8:04 P.M.

****Motioned by T,J, Williams, second By Reginald Arsenault, Jr., to come out of executive session pursuant to Title 1§ M.R.S. A 405 (6) (A) from discussing a personnel matter. Voted unanimously to approve.**

ACTION TAKEN

None

ADJOURNMENT

****Motioned by T. J. Williams, second by Clifford Stewart to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Voted unanimously to approve.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Blodgett
Executive Secretary

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Richard Philbrick-Chairman

x _____
Clifford Stewart-Vice Chair

x absent _____
A. Byron Ouellette

x _____
Reginald Arsenault, Jr.

x _____
Thomas T.J. Williams