

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 28, 2013**

Selectmen present: David Barrows, Chairman, Julia Libby, Vice-Chairwoman, Rosendel Gerry, Jason Trundy and Ladleah Dunn.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Barrows at 5:30 p.m. at Lincolnville Central School (B-5).

1. Citizens' Forum:

Rosey Gerry left his seat to speak at the podium and thank Town Administrator Kinney for his service to the community. The Town Administrator stated that "you are welcome".

2. Presentation of Camden First Aid Association (CFAA) Budget Request:

Julia Libby stepped down from the Board of Selectmen for this discussion and joined the audience. Libby spoke from the podium and reviewed the presentation that had been made the previous evening at the CFAA presentation to the four towns. Julie Allen a CFAA paramedic who also oversees the billing department also spoke about the service. The request to the Town of Lincolnville for FY 14 is \$77,000.

3. Follow-up Discussion from 2/27/13 CFAA Presentation:

Town Administrator Kinney reviewed his memo outlining options to the Board on the item.

Trundy stated that the Board needs to be able to say to the Town that the Board did something. His preference is for option 3 (seeking proposals for EMS). An open ended proposal might not yield and apples to apples comparison but it is worth exploring. He would like to get proposals in order to be educated on what is available.

Gerry cautioned that in reviewing outside bids the first year might be very attractive but the Board needs to make sure we look at tomorrow (long term) as well as today. Gerry stated that the Board's job is to do what is best for the Town of Lincolnville. Not only best price but best service.

Dunn stated that by default it seems like the Board is being pushed into a contractual obligation via Option 3.

Barrows suggested that if the Board goes to Town Meeting without having explored options "we will be hung". He stated that after attending the presentation he'd be happy to vote for it now but I didn't attend the presentation he'd question it.

Libby (from the podium) stated that she understood the Board's position. She "wasn't happy about it" but she understood. She has a concern for the level of care that might be offered by others.

Motion by Trundy, second by Dunn, that the Board instruct the Town Administrator to seek open ended proposals for Emergency Medical Services. Vote 4-0-1. (Libby abstained).

4. Public Comment – FY 14 Municipal Budget Draft:

There were no public comments.

5. Board of Selectmen FY 14 Municipal Budget Deliberations:

Kinney reviewed his memo outlining the Board revisions to date concerning the draft FY14 Municipal Budget. The suggested changes to date totaled a decrease of \$22,027.

Kinney stated that with the new CFAA request the budget could be reduced another \$4,680 (from \$81,680 to \$77,000). The Board asked Kinney to show this change in the next draft with the understanding that this amount is a "placeholder" at this time, is subject change, and will be presented as such to the Budget Committee.

The Board discussed the changing the health insurance plan offering from the MMEHT POS A plan to the POS C plan. The savings to the Town would be \$10,918. The Board asked Kinney to show this change in the next draft.

The Board discussed employee wages and agreed by consensus not to change the budgeted amounts.

The Board discussed altering the paving program and whether or not to eliminate any, two or three roads from this year's work and thus delay the paving maintenance plan. The consensus was to not recommend paving North Cobbtown Road and Stan Cilley Road this year, thus decreasing the budget by \$102,200. The Board asked Kinney to show this change in the next draft.

After reviewing the road salt usage history the Board consensus was to reduce the tonnage request to 850 tons and the price per unit to \$70 per ton for a savings of \$8,000. The Board asked Kinney to show this change in the next draft.

After discussing the donation made to the PB Chamber of Commerce by consensus the Board asked Kinney to reduce this amount to \$500 in the next draft.

The Board discussed the estimated costs of the contractual obligations with the Police Chief if the Town Meeting voters decide to eliminate the Police Department. Kinney has estimated the costs to be \$38,972.02. The Board agreed by consensus to have Kinney include a separate article in the Town warrant for these costs so that the public would have a better understanding of the costs associated with their vote. The Board also agreed by consensus that the draft warrant should have the Police Department as a

separate article at the start of the warrant as it will most likely be of high interest to the voters.

Not further budget adjustments were made. The Board will review the changes and vote its recommendations at the March 11th meeting so that the budget can be presented to the Budget Committee on March 19th in a joint meeting between the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

6. Motion by Gerry, second by Libby, to adjourn the meeting. Vote 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

David B. Kinney
Town Clerk