

**Select Board  
Minutes  
May 26, 2015**

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Leverett Town Hall, 7:00 pm

Present: Peter, Tom, Margie, Lisa for Select Board; Ann Tweedy, Montague Reporter; Finance Com: Ann D., Tom P., Greg W. and Tom Masterton, resident

The Select Board and Finance Committees met together to discuss the appointment of Philip Carter, who volunteered to serve on the Finance Com. after there was a vacancy post-Town Meeting.

**Motion: To appoint Philip Carter to the Finance Committee: d'Errico, aye, Delano, aye; Hankinson, aye; Woodard, aye; Powers, aye. Vote: unanimous, in favor.**

The Finance Committee signed a request for Transfer for funds related to heating system repairs at the Library.

The minutes of May 12 were approved as written.

Margie updated the board on her latest conversation with Nextamp, the company that would provide solar credits and 15% off the supplier portion of the Town's electric bill. They are still looking for an "anchor institution" to accept a 20-year contract. At the end of May they expect to know more about who may be participating. The board will readdress at the next meeting.

Margie reviewed the timeline to advertise and find a replacement Treasurer/Collector. DeeAnn would be willing to overlap with the new hire in the month of October so Margie will advertise accordingly in order to have someone hired by Oct. 1.

The Pachico water softener appears to be clogged and is causing decreased water pressure. Additionally, the family has reported a metallic odor and brownish staining of the sinks. To replace the water softener would cost \$2500-\$3000. Margie stated that there is \$2580 in the "monitoring" line item and since it is the end of the fiscal year that money could be spent replacing the water softener. The board agreed.

**Fire Dept.**

John Ingram and Stewart Olson came in to update the board. John is instituting a Jr. Firefighter or "Explorer Program" for young adults (16 and over). There are currently two participating. John also handed out copies of an "activity log" along with several other reports that he generated with new software for the department. Lastly, he said the department is discussing replacing the rescue truck and one other surplus vehicle for a Ford Explorer and a pick-up truck that he thinks will work better than the current configuration of vehicles. Even though these will not affect the Capital Schedule the board suggested that he notify Ricky Roberts.

The floor in Dee Ann's office will be replaced the week of June 22 so her furniture will be moved into the hall the week of June 15 and until the new floor is dry. The main hall, foyer, and stairway will be refinished in September.

A grant extension was signed for the Green Communities grant since that money has not been totally expended. Margie is waiting for an outstanding bill. As for spending the additional funds LEDs for the Safety Complex or Library or heating system parts for the Library were suggested.

The ConCom may have found an agent who would like to be hired as a contractor, instead of an employee. The contract that Margie wrote up was not back from the ConCom with their signatures yet so she may need Peter and/or Tom to come in and sign later.

The mail was read.

Meeting adjourned: 8:20 pm

Minutes taken by Lisa Stratford