Select Board
Minutes
October 27, 2015

Leverett Elementary School, 7:20 pm (after Town Meeting)

Present: Peter, Julie, Tom, Margie, Lisa, Ann Tweedy (Monatgue Reporter) a few residents left from Town Meeting

Business:

The minutes of October 13 were approved as written.

Motion: To appoint Miho Connolly as the Conservation Commission Agent at the rate of $15/hour. Vote: 3-0 in favor.

Motion: To appoint Jason Noschese as the Town of Leverett Treasurer/Tax Collector effective November 1, 2015. Vote: 3-0 in favor.

The 2015 Cultural Council grant was signed.

The Council on Aging grant was signed.

Gordon Fretwell asked if the board had a plan to update information on the website as it relates to the Freedom of Information Act. Peter assured Gordon that the website is undergoing changes and will include the addition of town records, maps, etc.

This lead to a discussion with the Assessors (present for the Tax Classification Hearing) about the status of maps that were created for the Assessors and making them available on the website. Lisa will follow up with Dan Williams who the Assessors sent the maps to digitally and find out when they will be available for the website.

Possible dates for interviewing Highway Supt. candidates were discussed. Monday, November 2 and Tuesday, November 3 were both mentioned. The committee will let Margie know their preference.

The email letter from Stewart was read. Lisa will draft a reply.

Tom updated the board on using Google as an email backup for town emails.

Peter discussed the CPC application for the old highway garage. Peter and Margie will work on the draft application for the November 4 CPC meeting. Margie found examples of other towns with similar projects that they will reference in the application. Tom will go to the CPC meeting on behalf of the Select Board. Julie will try to go as well.

Tax Classification Hearing: 7:30 pm

Jim Hicks, Chair of the Assessors and Steve Schmidt, Clerk to the Assessors recommended a single tax rate for Leverett. The town is 96.4% residential. The rate for FY 16 will be $20.49 and puts the town
within dollars of the cap. Motion: To use a single tax rate of $20.49 for FY 16 property tax. Vote: 3-0 in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

Minutes taken and recorded by Lisa Stratford.