

**Middletown Springs Select Board Minutes  
Special meeting December 22, 2015 Approved**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:04 pm

**BOARD PRESENT:** H. Childress, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Jenny Talke Munyak, Bill Reed

**2016-17 Budget:** The total general government and highway budgets were finalized, and will be shared with all Selectboard members, Town Clerk, and Town Treasurer. The vote to approve the budget and set the ballot items for general government and highway requests will take place at a special meeting of the Selectboard at 6:00 pm on Thursday, January 7.

**Adjourn:** H. Childress moved to adjourn; T. Redfield 2<sup>nd</sup>; [*all in favor, motion carried*].

**Middletown Springs Select Board Minutes  
Regular meeting December 22, 2015 Approved**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 pm

**BOARD PRESENT:** H. Childress, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Sally Achey, Tom Hurcomb, Jenny Talke Munyak, Bill Reed

**Approval of Minutes:** M. Lamson moved to approve the minutes from December 10<sup>th</sup> (both special and regular); T. Redfield 2<sup>nd</sup> [*all in favor, motion carried*]. Minutes from December 17<sup>th</sup> tabled until full board present.

**Public Comment:** Tom Hurcomb reminded the Board of a preview of the Creative Economy project at 6:30 pm on January 12<sup>th</sup> at the town office. The larger public meeting will be Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, early afternoon, at the town office (precise schedule TBD). There will also be a meeting regarding the potential South Street Co-Op on Sunday 1/10, mid afternoon (precise schedule TBD). Tom will use the Town's mailing permit for a mailing for the 1/24 community meeting, on behalf of the Planning Commission, approximately \$60.

**Town Officers:** Sally Achey reported that the 2015 Coefficient of Dispersion is 14.54%, Common Level of Appraisal is 102.94. These numbers will not trigger a re-appraisal in 2016.

Jenny Talke Munyak has received a BlueCross BlueShield invoice for 2016, which shows a premium increase for the year

**Town Lands:** The contract for listing West Street property expires on January 1<sup>st</sup>; we will let that expire, and possibly re-list in spring 2016. M. Lamson will get estimates on property cleanup for improved sale possibility.

**Road Commissioner:** Bill reported that Steve Geno has completed his full Commercial Drivers License upgrade, which will allow him to operate all Town vehicles. H. Childress moves to implement Steve's pay increase of \$1.00 per hour into effect on January 1, 2016; M. Lamson 2<sup>nd</sup> [*all in favor, motion carried*]. All equipment is operating acceptably.

The Board and other citizens did a site visit of Rouse's house and garage on Saturday 12/19, and the Board discussed the garage's suitability for Town Garage use.

The North Street box culvert project is now complete, and reimbursement request will be sent to VTRANS. After reimbursement, the project will have no final out-of-pocket costs to the Town. T. Redfield moved that the Board sign the TA65 form for project reimbursement; H. Childress 2<sup>nd</sup> [*all in favor, motion carried*].

The Selectboard has received a notification that Dan McKeen will request an increase in rent for the Town Garage for FY2016-17, from \$250 to \$300 per month.

**Solid Waste:** GreenVantage Pro is offering a free battery-collection program, with the Town's cost being only the shipping/collection (GreenVantage will partially reimburse for shipping). T. Redfield moved to approve the battery-collection program; H. Childress 2<sup>nd</sup> [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Vermont E-Cycles/NCER is providing a new free electronic waste pickup contract. T. Redfield moved to sign the new electronic waste contract with NCER, and to eliminate the pending \$2.00 bag electronic disposal fees to Town residents; H. Childress 2<sup>nd</sup> [*all in favor, motion carried*].

**Correspondence:** Vermont Department of Taxes notice of 2015 CoD/CLA (see Town Officers for discussion).

**Board Orders:** H. Childress moved to approve Board orders as presented; M. Lamson 2<sup>nd</sup>; [*all in favor, motion carried*].

**Adjourn:** H. Childress moved to adjourn; T. Redfield 2<sup>nd</sup> [*all in favor, motion carried*]. Meeting adjourned 9:01 pm.