

Middletown Springs Selectboard • Approved Minutes Special Meeting • January 18, 2024

BOARD PRESENT: At the Town Office: Patty Kenyon, Peter Stevenson. via Zoom: Herb Childress, Terry Redfield.

TOWN OFFICERS PRESENT: At the Town Office: Bill Reed – Road Commission/Road Foreman, Kimberly Bushnell – Town Moderator. via Zoom: Sarah Grimm – Auditor.

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: Herb called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Adjustment and final approval of Town Meeting Warning – The board reviewed the updates to the Town Meeting Warning. Specific items reviewed were the order of the articles and a final reading of the new reserve fund articles. Appropriation request from Poultney Rescue Squad of \$32,554 was added to the warning and budget it was noted that their request is more than \$20,000 more than last year's request of \$11,116.

Herb moved to approve the 2024 Town Meeting Warning as presented, Peter 2nd. All in favor, motion carried.

Terry, Herb will come into the town office tomorrow to sign the warning.

Updates on Town Meeting and Election logistics – There was a brief discussion on Town Meeting logistics touching on the change to an in-person meeting with remote attendance and participation. Tech needs will need to be a priority in order to make sure everyone is able to hear and be heard. Kimberly will reach out to last year's team to see if they are willing to run the Zoom piece again. Patty will see if she can round up someone to help with a dress rehearsal and setting up the cameras and mics correctly.

The board asked Patty about plans for setting up the room for voting and logistics of the first election in the new building. Details still need to be worked out and will be worked on as we get closer with both assistants and the board to make sure we have everything covered. We will also need to consider parking and entrance points for voters and workers and then communicate those guidelines to everyone.

ADJOURN Herb moved to adjourn at 7:38pm, Peter 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Kenyon, Clerk

Next Regular Meeting, Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 7pm.