

## Town of Middlefield Board of Selectman

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MINUTES

Board Members present: Chair Ann Marie Visconti, Tonya Santaniello, Curt Robie .

Meeting opened at 6:30

**Emails:** HRMC:Board was advised not to sign waste contract. Kathleen Casey advises signing a 45 day bridge contract with USA to have time to work everything out. Board will call Casey.

Mass Recycle wants renewal. Casey recommended not to. Contract has lapsed.

Bridge Academy asked the town to document expenses up to \$3,000 used in training for reimbursement at completion of courses. The Chief will be asked to document her expenses.

MBI Is town okay with agreement to make payments to MBI. Curt will call Peter Larken. Cyber security's requests for missing information on application was given to Steve Harris.

PVPC wants to tell the town what they can do for them. Municipal heads will be invited to attend Selectboard meeting when schedule is established.

Verizon is moving on request. Email was given to Tonya.

**Dump Closure**: DEP's information has been forwarded to water testing company. Written proposal will be sent in the mail.

## **Town Warrant:**

Articles were reviewed and accepted Changes made included art. 5 & 7 that were approved, art. 8 expenses increased \$950, setting up an OPEB trust will be looked into, art. 21 needs to be finalized, art 22 is removed resulting in numerical changes with the following articles, art 22 becomes funds and gift acceptance and so on, art 25 SB recommended raising stabilization to \$60,000 from \$40,000 taking \$20,000 from \$36,500 and putting remainder of 16,250 into art 27 which changes \$45,000 to \$61,250, FC will review increase.

**Town Report**: Discussed putting together the town report. Needs to be done by April 30.Paradise Copies in Northampton has done the printing.

Easter Egg Hunt: April 18 at 2:00

Basketball Court Paving. \$25,000, left from the paving could do the court, the firehouse and handicap parking. Warner has the contract. Numbers could change due to fuel prices.

Grants: Culvert assistance program through Westfield Wild & Scenic could provide grant to fix Cone Rd, east of Mains', Town Hill Rd tributary to Factory Brook and East River rd to Middlebrook. Curt will give Wild & Scenic the list tomorrow. Discussion included description of the process of applying for the MVP grants. MVP helps put together what's needed. Curt will write up three letters.

**Annual Town Meeting**: Ann-Marie motioned to begin meeting at 1:30 at Town Hall. Brief discussion. Tonya2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote 3-0. Northampton Visiting Nurses will conduct covid booster clinic. Grinders will be sold as fundraiser for Middlefield Fair

**Adjournment**: Ann-Marie motioned to adjourn at 8:30.Tonya 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote 3-0. Board announced entering executive session.

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne C. Lemieux