

WESTMINSTER ADVISORY BOARD  
Joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 7, 2016

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PRESENT

Jim DeLisle, Joe Flanagan, Erin Casali and Lisa Rocheleau

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting of Advisory Board called to order at 6:00 pm. in Room #205 at Town Hall.

MINUTES APPROVAL

None to approve.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN AGENDA

Multiple items as included in the BoS agenda were discussed and agreed upon amongst the BoS.

FY17 BUDGET/WARRANT ARTICLE REVIEW

Fire Department:

- Chief Nivila and Captain Butterfield presented regarding their request for 2 additional full-time Fire fighter/EMS positions. Discussion between the Fire Department, BoS and AB ensued.
- BoS asked that the Fire Department consider only one position and the Chief indicated they would review and come back to the Boards.
- Chief Nivala also indicated that the public safety building is in need of repair and he has budgeted for more funding in his Building Maintenance line item to account for it.

Police Department:

- Chief Albert discussed his departmental budget with the Selectmen and Advisory Board. He indicated that one of the increases reflected is in the Overtime line item, this is due to two positions: the school resource officer for AWRSD, and the school resource officer who has been requested by CAPS Collaborative. Chief Albert indicated that the funding for the officer at the CAPS Collaborative is being fully reimbursed to the town; however after speaking with the Town Accountant, it was a better practice to include the amount in the overtime budget.
- J. Fairbanks indicated that the Police and Fire Chief should work with Capital Planning and the Advisory Board to form a plan for the long term maintenance of the building, so that larger expenses may be included in the Capital Plan.

Board of Health:

- The Selectmen discussed the Mosquito Control articles with Elizabeth Swedberg, Health Agent and Ed Simoncini, Board of Health Chair, as the Selectmen would like to only put one mosquito control article on the Town Meeting Warrant instead of one for each vendor, as proposed by the Board of Health.
- Following a brief discussion the Board determined that the motion could be amended on Town Meeting floor after a short presentation explaining the options available to the residents, that way the voters could make an informed decision about how they would like to approach mosquito control.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Erin K. Casali, Secretary