

## Dalton Select Board Meeting

### *DRAFT Minutes of March 16, 2020 Meeting*

Present were Selectmen: Chair Jo Beth Dudley. Carol Sheltry and Tamela Swan. Also present was resident Jon Swan, Whitefield Resident Fred Anderson, conservation commission members: David Spreadbury, Christine Rouillard, Douglas Ingerson, and Venessa Cardillo. Ron Shetry arrived at 7:04PM.

Called to Order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Dudley.

Chair Dudley administered the Oath of Office to Tamela Swan, elected to a 3-year term as a Selectman.

Carol Sheltry made a motion that Jo Beth Dudley be appointed Chair. The motion was seconded by Tamela Swan and approved by all. Jo Beth Dudley made a motion that Tamela Swan be appointed vice-Chair of the Select Board. Motion seconded by Carol Sheltry and approved by all.

The Oath of Office was also administered to newly elected Trustee of Trust Funds: Ernie Hanneford-3-year term; Jon Swan-2-year term; and Venessa Cardillo-1-year term. The three also signed a Passumpsic Bank form authorizing them to sign on the Town's Trust Accounts.

Tamela Swan made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 9th meeting with the correction on page two of "loose" to "lose" in the second paragraph. Carol Sheltry seconded the motion and all approved it.

Carol Sheltry made a motion to accept the March 9th Non-Public Minutes as presented. Tamela Swan seconded the motion and all three selectmen voted in favor.

Chair Dudley made a motion to Seal the non-public minutes of the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. This motion was seconded by Tamela Swan and approved by all.

Chair Dudley recognized Fred Anderson. Mr. Anderson spoke of the petitioned Warrant Article at the Whitefield Town Meeting which was a "Resolution to Oppose Landfill Development". This article passed in Whitefield with only 3 votes opposed. He spoke of some of the issues that the proposed landfill would bring and encouraged the Select Board to vote in support of a similar article or statement. Chair Dudley said this would take some time and thought as it would need town discussion and support. There was a brief discussion with members of the Dalton Conservation Commission about things the Forest Lake Association and they could work on together. There was also mention of HB 1319 which would prohibit a landfill within two miles of a State or Federal Park. This bill has passed the house but will likely not be taken up by the Senate for a while due to the impact of Covid-19. Mr. Anderson left the meeting at 7:09 PM.

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Chairman Dudley brought up the subject of Covid-19 and problems with Right to Know and also adhering to the new mandates. Ron Sheltry spoke that he has been meeting with regional Health and EMS officials developing protocols and procedures so each department can assist the others if needed and to protect their members. Basically, they have formed a “local mutual aid group” to share knowledge and resources. He presented documents to be posted on the Town’s Web site and Bulletin board.

There was discussion about posting town notices and/or meetings on Face Book or using the live Face Book option or “Zoom”. There was also discussion about using “flashTalk” to connect town employees to the Town server. Currently this is not seen as a need.

The ZBA has postponed their March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting until April 16<sup>th</sup>. The Conservation Commission will hold their March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

There was discussion on whether Dalton has a Dog Ordinance and that we should get a copy of Littleton’s to review.

There was a discussion about the Cohos Advisor’s contract and contacting Northway Business Services, Nancy Dickowski, to meet with the Interim Administrative Assistant and Tamela Swan.

There was discussion about the transition of the Police Department to the State Police as voted at town meeting. Victor Muzzy will be contacted to ascertain the procedure and to perhaps meet with the Select Board and Jon Tholl. Chair Dudley will draft a letter to Jon Tholl.

A meeting will be set up to transition from the Current Trustees of Trust Funds to the newly elected Trustees. All available information and history will be collected.

An email from Normandeau Trucking looking to bid on transporting from the Dalton landfill to Carberry was discussed. He will be contacted by Carol Sheltry. There was discussion from those in attendance that all improvements should be put out to bid. The Board is trying to set up a working/information sharing session with the road agent and Kyle MacBain. A certificate of Insurance is needed for the Carberry Site.

The Select Board’s next meeting is March 23<sup>rd</sup> and then they will resume meeting every other week making the next meeting, after the March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting, to be April 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Town has received a payment of \$115.50 for metal recycling.

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A listing of vehicles and equipment insured by Primex was reviewed. The Interim Administrative Assistant will make some necessary changes.

There was discussion with the members of the Conservation commission about the process being used to appoint members for the 2 current vacancies. There was disagreement about that process but Chair Dudley read an RSA which explained it. Also, the review of the “letters of interest” had been moved up a week to allow more time for residents to submit “letters of interest”. The appointments will be made March 23<sup>rd</sup>. There was also discussion about why there was a Select Board liaison and how that process worked.

At 8:50 Carol Sheltry made a motion to go into non-public for Personnel Reasons. Tamela Swan seconded the motion and all approved it and by a roll call vote also.

At 9:13 the public session resumed.

Jo Beth Dudley made a motion to Seal the non-public minutes which was seconded by Carol Sheltry and approved by all.

There being no further business, at 9:14 PM Jo Beth Dudley made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Tamela Swan. All three selectmen voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

The next Regular Board meeting is **March 23, 2020 at 6:30 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Peabody  
Interim Administrative Assistant  
Town of Dalton

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**March 16, 2020 Minutes** as approved by the Select Board on 3/23/2020.

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Carol Sheltry, Select Board Member

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Tamela Swan, Select Board Member

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Jo Beth Dudley, Select Board Chairman

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