

January 26, 2016

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held Tuesday, January 26, 2016, at 5:30 PM, at the Keene Town Hall. The following Town Board Members were present: William B. Ferebee, Supervisor, Paul R. Martin, Robert M. Biesemeyer, Michael J. Buysse and Jerry D. Smith, Members of Council. Also present were: Mark Nassan, Jonah Kazmierczak and Ellen Estes, Town Clerk.

The Chairman, Mr. Ferebee, called the meeting to order at 5:18 PM.

Resolution No. 65 – 16

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board grant permission for the Past and Present Masters and Wardens Association to use Marcy Field for their 22nd Annual Craft Fair on July 16th and 17th. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Biesemeyer.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Yes
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Mr. Ferebee said that the Youth Commission Cross Country Ski Clinic has begun. He said that 30 kids went on Wednesday and said that the Town would be supplying the bus driver but they would be using a school bus to transport them. He said the full cost of the clinic is the parents' responsibility saying that the Town is supplying the bus driver only.

Mr. Ferebee said that he would like to recognize Hanna Whitney for her success in hitting 1000 points in basketball. He also said that she has accomplished this as a Junior.

Mr. Ferebee said that Eric Sandbloom would be making a presentation in February on the clean up planned for Beede Brook. He said a \$50,000 grant will be paying for this clean- up and that the project will go as far as the money lasts.

Mr. Ferebee said he would like to recognize Jerry Smith for helping out when the Senior Bus broke down.

Mr. Buysse asked how it was going to work with hiker shuttle money going to the Fire Districts for equipment.

Ellen Estes said that a resolution was adopted in 2015 by the Town Board stating that the Fire Districts should put their requests into their budgets.

Mr. Ferebee said he would look up that resolution.

Mr. Biesemeyer suggested that since State agencies, such as the State Police, seem to be using the Fire Department a lot for meetings and trainings that they should be charged a usage fee.

Mr. Ferebee said that the Johns Brook bridge project is moving forward.

Mr. Ferebee informed the Board that the skating rink had opened last weekend.

There was a brief discussion about last week's Assessment Informational Meeting.

Mr. Ferebee informed the Board that Ryan Hall will be attending Water Operator's Training next month.

Resolution No. 66 – 15

The Town Board adopted Resolution No. 66 – 15, a Resolution to Amend the 2015 Budget. This resolution, in its entirety, is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Resolution No. 67 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board accept the Supervisor's Monthly Financial Statements for October and November as presented and have them placed on file with the Town Clerk. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

Resolution No. 68 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board approve the following bills for payment, including those that were prepaid. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

(2015 bills) Multi-Fund Vouchers No. 875 to 873, totaling \$7,625.37, as follows:

General Fund	- \$3,116.16
Highway Fund	- 955.95
Library Fund	- 53.26
Irene Capital Project	- 3,500.00

(2016 bills) Multi Fund Vouchers No. 31 to 55, totaling \$37,240.62, as follows:

General Fund	- \$34,119.75
Highway Fund	- 1,763.34
Library Fund	- 318.25
Water District #1	- 931.08
Water District #2	- 108.20

and one voucher from the Library Expendable Account for \$87.76.

Mark Nassan and Jonah Kazmierczak were present to make a presentation to the Board.

Mr. Kazmierczak began by saying that he was here tonight to make a proposal to the Board concerning the empty FEMA lot in Keene Valley. He explained that they were interested in having a dirt, bicycle "Pump Track" built on this lot. He explained that what they were interested in would be no higher than 1 to 2 foot bumps and curves.

Mr. Ferebee spoke to Mr. Kazmierczak about the responsibility of keeping this area clean of garbage, etc. and how it could be good to pass that kind of responsibility onto the users.

Mr. Martin spoke to the possibility of noise at night.

Mr. Smith asked where the money for construction would come from.

Mr. Kazmierczak responded saying there are small town grants for projects like this.

Mr. Nassan said that Laura Paradise works in the field of grant writing and he said she would be willing to write the grant.

There was a brief discussion about screening and lighting. Mr. Ferebee said he would need to look into the monitoring and insurance aspects.

Mr. Nassan said he thought the labor could be covered with volunteer labor and the only cost would be the materials.

The Board agreed that Mr. Nassan and Mr. Kazmierczak could move forward with looking into plans and grants and Mr. Ferebee will look into the liability insurance.

Resolution No. 69 – 16

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that with all business having been transacted, this meeting be adjourned. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Biesemeyer.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes

Mr. Martin: Yes

Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes

Mr. Buysse: Yes

Mr. Smith: Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM.

Ellen S. Estes, Town Clerk
January 29, 2016

William B. Ferebee, Supervisor
Paul R. Martin, Councilman
Robert M. Biesemeyer, Councilman
Michael J. Buysse, Councilman
Jerry D. Smith, Councilman