

**Town of Moretown  
Office of the SELECT BOARD**

**DRAFT** – Unapproved minutes of the January 11, 2016 Selectboard meeting special meeting held to work on the town budget and for any other business that may come before the board

Board members: Rae Washburn, Michelle Beard, John Hoogenboom, Jason Aronowitz, Tom Martin

Guests: Cheryl Brown as board assistant

Tom called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm. and reported speaking with Martin Cameron about a couple of budget items.

- Tom said he told Martin that the board doesn't have much appetite for buying a new truck at this time. The road crew has been working to stabilize the dump body on the 2007 to hopefully make it last longer.
- John said the Clark's (of Clark's Truck Center) are clients of his and during conversation Clark proposed the offer to lease a truck now with no payments for a year. John will get more information.
- Tom spoke with Martin about the quote to fix the excavator. A quote of about \$18,000 includes \$10,000 in parts. \$12,500 was budgeted for the repair. More money was added to the budget.
- Tom and Martin talked about the gas / diesel fuel budget. The budget will remain at \$41,000.

Payroll budget –

- Michelle has been working on pay comparisons/factors for the town clerk; town administrator; zoning administrator; and assistants. She suggested that she needs more time to investigate benefits; co-pays. She suggested putting money in a line item in the Selectboard budget for raises, and by town meeting have firm numbers for office worker raises.

**Draft** – unapproved minutes of the 1/11/16 selectboard meeting

Rae said he thinks when we talk about employee salaries we need to do that in executive session.

Tom moved and Jason seconded to enter into executive session at 6:31 p.m. to discuss employee salaries. All were in favor.

Out of executive session at 7:25.

The Selectboard is going to level fund wages from last year for the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Assistants, Zoning Administrator and Town Administrator, and add a line item in the Selectboard budget for compensations, to be announced at the 4/4/16 meeting when the Selectboard sets the payscale and benefits.

Other business:

**Selectboard report for the town report** – Cheryl provided the board with a draft report. They will forward changes they want made before the report goes to the auditors.

**Resolution from Rutland** – Jason will email a copy of a Resolution that Rutland adopted regarding town’s having more say in applications.

**Warrant approved:**

A/P – 16002 – ck# 17476-17485

P/R - 16003 - ck# 17486

e-ck# 2088-2097

Tom moved to adjourn at 7:50. John seconded. All were in favor.