Readfield Select Board Regular Meeting Minutes April 16, 2015 – approved 5-4-16

Select Board members present: Sue Reay, Valarie Pomerleau, Greg Durgin, Thomas Dunham and Allen Curtis (arrived @ 5:10 pm).

Others attending: Teresa Shaw (Interim Town Manager), Holly Dominie, John Perry, Marianne Perry, Deb Doten, Larry Dunn, Grace Keene, Pam Osborn and Milt Wright.

Mrs. Reay called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was made.

<u>1. Secret Ballot Informational Sheet</u>: The document was reviewed. There was a discussion on the formatting. Typos and grammatical corrections were noted. Some descriptions were made and/or edited. Mr. Dunham and Ms. Pomerleau will draft a factual explanation sheet to be added to the *Community Advertiser*.

Motion by Mr. Curtis to accept the 2015 Town of Readfield Secret Ballot Informational Sheet with revisions as indicated for publishing for the May 8, 2015 *Community Advertiser*, **second** Mr. Durgin; **vote** 3-0-2 (Mrs. Reay, Mr. Dunham opposed). The Board requested it be posted in a prominent place on the website, such as the front page.

- Larry Dunn asked when the Town Report would be available. It is unknown at this time.
- <u>2. Town Manager Job Description</u>: The description was reviewed. A copy will be reviewed at the next Select Board meeting.
 - Mr. Durgin said his Time Warner business class email is still not working.
- 3. Town Manager Search Advertisement: The draft was reviewed. It will be discussed again at the next Select Board meeting.

4. Other:

- Mrs. Reay asked Mrs. Shaw to have the total amount for legal services bills for the 6 PM executive session on 04/21/15. It was noted 6 RFPs for legal services have been received. There was a discussion about the late delivery of the bids from Federal Express on the day the bids were due, as well as an email from Attorney Bragg referencing his earlier bid.
 - **Motion** by Ms. Pomerleau to accept the RFPs from the two legal entities that were not able to be delivered on time by Federal Express and to accept Lee Bragg's former proposal that the town has on file and to review them with the three others, **second** Mr. Dunham; **vote** 5-0-0.
- There was a discussion about a hiring committee for the Town Manager position. Mr. Durgin will talk about the process with the HR Director at RSU #38.
- Mr. Dunham led a discussion concerning placing his phone number on the voting information sheet. He does not understand the aspect of influencing the voter. Mr. Dunham also read one of the FOAA emails provided.
- Mr. Durgin said he would deliver absentee ballots and that is why he offered to provide his phone number
- Mrs. Shaw will get an answer from MMA regarding Mr. Dunham's question about providing his phone number and influencing the voters.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Recorded by Deborah Nichols