

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Hope Board of Selectmen**  
**Tuesday, October 9, 2018**  
**6:30 PM**  
**Hope Town Office**

**Board Members Present:**

- Brian Powers Jr., Dick Crabtree, Mike Brown, and Sarah Ann Smith

**Others Present:**

- Samantha Mank

**Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Brian.

**Executive Session:**

- Sarah made a motion to enter executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. 13 §405 (6)(A) for Town Administrator's annual performance evaluation at 6:30 PM. It was seconded by Dick.  
**Motion passed 4-0**
- Dick made a motion to exit executive session at 6:41 PM. It was seconded by Sarah.  
**Motion passed 4-0**

**Reconvene Regular Meeting:** Brian called the regular meeting back to order at 6:41 PM

**Public Comment:**

- None

**Minutes:**

- Mike made a motion to accept the 9/25/2018 minutes. It was seconded by Dick.  
**Motion passed 4-0**

**Administrator's Report:**

- The new Town Office signs have been installed.
- The NEMHS ambulance run reports for July & August are in. I have included them in your packets
- As a reminder, Mary will be away on vacation until October 24<sup>th</sup>. Chelsea will be handling her duties while she is away.
- The Town Attorney, Bill Kelly, has been away until tomorrow. He will schedule a time when we can meet with him in the near future.
- MCSW received \$1,316,645.94 from the final payout from MRC. Jim has deposited it and awaiting instructions for disbursement by the Board of Director's. (Meeting is tomorrow evening) According to the FY 2019 Town Assessment that Jim is basing his budget on, Hope's share is 9.81% which equals \$129,162.97.

- Interestingly, MMA has sent out an official memo informing the towns of the hazards of allowing individuals to get sand for private use. MMA is now urging towns to stop the practice. I have included the memo in your packets.
- The Investment Policy is still getting worked on. There are some minor but potentially very important items that still need to be addressed before I submit it for your review. It has been strongly suggested that we specify the different investing ratios for the different types of town funds/accounts the Hope will be investing.
- There are 1,107 outstanding 2019 real estate tax accounts totaling \$2,421,666.07.
- There are 29 outstanding 2018 real estate tax accounts totaling \$60,831.06 that were liened today. Automatic foreclosure is in January 2020 if accounts remain unpaid.
- There are 12 outstanding 2017 real estate tax accounts totaling \$29,166.55 with liens that will automatically foreclose in January 2019 if the accounts remain delinquent.

**New Business:**

- Appointment as Health Officer: Ted Steele – The Selectmen review the committee application from Ted Steele to be the Health Officer for the town. Dick made a motion to appoint ted Steele as the Health officer for the Town of Hope. It was seconded by Sarah.  
**Motion passed 4-0**

**Old Business:**

- None

**Other Business:**

- Brian would like Samantha to provide options for an information sign to be placed at the South Hope Fire Station that can be mounted to the wall on the outside of the Fire Station

**Review and Sign Warrants:**

- The Selectmen reviewed the warrants. Sarah made a motion to approve and sign warrant #'s 23, 24, and 25. It was seconded by Mike.  
**Motion passed 4-0**

**Adjournment:**

- Dick made a motion to adjourn at 7:08PM. It was seconded by Sarah.  
**Motion passed 4-0**