

**Leyden Selectboard  
Leyden Town Hall  
Minutes  
April 20, 2017**

**Selectboard Members Present:** Jeff Neipp, Bill Glabach, Lance Fritz.

**Others Present:** Bob Hardesty, Dan Galvis, Mitch Turner.

Call to order 9:05am.

**Minutes**

**MOTION:** Jeff moved to accept the minutes of April 13 as written. Unanimous.

**Animal Inspector**

The Board discussed Charles Foley's concerns about handling rabies cases with respect to his appointment as Inspector of Animals. A recent incident involving a family member being bit by their family dog, resulting in a visit to the Emergency Room, prompted his concerns. After discussion, the Board agreed to have Dan Galvis, Animal Control Officer, handle this situation. Jeff and Charles will further discuss his appoint as Inspector of Animals.

**STM Warrant**

The Board discussed Article 1 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

**MOTION:** Jeff moved that the Selectboard, at Special Town Meeting, move to transfer funds from Stabilization to pay for the deficit spending of the Winter Maintenance Account. Unanimous.

**MOTION:** Lance moved to close the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Unanimous.

**Regional Dispatch Feasibility Study for Franklin County**

The Board reviewed and discussed Greenfield Police Chief Robert Haigh's request to support a grant-funded feasibility study for the creation of a true county-wide Regional Emergency Communications Center that would include Greenfield and Montague.

**MOTION:** Lance moved to sign a letter of support for the feasibility study. Unanimous.

**ATM Warrant**

The Board continued to review and revise the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. They reviewed and discussed the Fire Department's petition article concerning a training facility at Avery Field. They will recommend to indefinitely postpone if there are deed restrictions. Bob will search for the deed. After further review, they decided to sign the Warrant on April 27.

**Engine No. 1**

Dan Galvis and Mitch Turner delivered Engine No. 1 to Town Hall. The Board went outside to inspect the vehicle and to get a report on the repairs completed. They thanked Dan and Mitch for all the hard work done to get Engine No. 1 in shape and back in service.

**Cut Wood Along Mid County Road (Eversource Trimming)**

Jeff feels that wood cuttings from Eversource tree removal and trimming, along Mid County Rd., are causing a hazard for residents traveling on the road. People are stopping to pick up the wood cuttings for personal use. He would like the Highway Department to pick up the cuttings, which are on the Town right-of-way and Michele Giarusso's property, and put them on Michele's property near her driveway. Discussion. All agreed that the stopped vehicles do create a safety hazard, and that a one-time removal by the Highway Department would be appropriate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Jeff moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:45am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hardesty