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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FRANKLIN BOARD OF SELECTMEN HELD AT THE  
TOWN HALL AT 7:00 P.M.  
Wednesday, THE 15th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** First Selectman Richard Matters called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Selectman Russell Beisiegel and Selectman Charles Grant.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:** Tom Craney

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:** First Selectman Richard made a request to add the following under old business:

- a. **Discussion of the 2017/2018 Budget**

First Selectman Richard made a request to add the following under new business:

- b. **Discussion on Consulting**
- c. **Holiday Celebration**

**MOTION #1:** Mr. Grant made a motion to approve the additions to the agenda as presented. Mr. Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** NONE

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- a. November 1, 2017

**MOTION #2:** Mr. Grant made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2017 as presented. Mr. Matters seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## REVIEW OF REPORTS:

- a. **Department of Public Works:** First Selectman Richard Matters reported on recent activities including, cleaning the roads, took down trees, set up for elections and clean up the playscape. Still need to get new slide for the school.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Update on the Fire House Roof:** Mr. Matters gave the latest update on the Fire house roof. We received another letter from the rental equipment for the fire house roof project stating that they never got paid \$8000.00 from the roofing company. We still need to get the gutters fix and get the wiring for the fire alarm system reinstalled. We still need to speak to chairman of the library and get the final numbers of books and items that need to be replaced. First Selectman will contact the chairman for the library.
- b. **Discussion on the 2017/2018 Budget:** First Selectman Richard Matters gave an update on the latest budget. We got new figures from the assessors that I will add to the budget sheet. We are still waiting for the board of finance to approve the town's budget in order for us to do our part.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Discussion on Joining Public Health District:** First Selectman Richard Matters gave an update on joining public health district. I called Northeast districts its around \$8000.00 at the time we sign, depending on our towns population. Northeast is cheaper however there are question on their response time and if they are reliable. First Selectman Matters will look into Chatham, near east Hampton. There response time might be better. Uncas seems to be more expensive but they seem to be very responsive. Selectman Charles Grant suggested we call other towns and speck to their first selectmen to get their inputs on their public health district. First Selectman Richard matters will call other towns and get more information on their services with their public health districts.
- b. **Discussion on Consulting:** First Selectman Richard Matters explained that he would consider helping Charles Grant transition into the new first selectman position in the next year. He explained that there is a lot to this job and he would like to help the town out especially for the sewer project. I will be here for guidance if needed.
- c. **Holiday Celebration:** Mr. Grant discussed the annual holiday party. I think December 9<sup>th</sup> at 5pm will be a good day, let's see if we can start booking the hall and DJ. Once we get all the information we will write up an event flyer.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, November 29, 2017.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Tom Craney wanted to thank Richard and for everything he has done for the Town of Franklin. Many of Rich's contribution goes unnoticed and has an amazing job for his due diligence and honesty. Thank you for your hard work from the general public.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION #3:** Mr. Matters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Cindy Machi- Rodriguez  
First Selectmen Administrative Assistant