

**Wilmington Selectboard/Sewer Commission**  
**March 1, 2017**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Tom Fitzgerald, Vince Rice, John Gannon by phone

**Others Present:** Town Manager Scott Murphy, Christine & Dennis Richter, Lynne Matthews, Jake & Monique White, Jerry Osler, Bettina Krampetz, Meg Streeter, Lisa Sullivan & Ally Taylor, Tom Consolino, Lenny Chapman, Ann Manwaring, Karina Martin, Mike Eldred–Deerfield Valley News, Chris Mays–Brattleboro Reformer

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm

1. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to Agenda
  - Karina Martin asked for write-in votes as a Library Trustee
2. Town Manager Search
  - Selectboard to discuss advertising for Town Manager search  
Streeter inquired about the separation agreement reached with Murphy. Fitzgerald is waiting for a response from the Town attorney as to whether or not the agreement is public record. Streeter complimented Murphy on all the great work he has done for the Town since he was hired. Gannon would like to alter the advertising strategy proposed by VLCT. He feels so much is done online but that method of advertising is not mentioned. Fitzgerald will reach out to VLCT regarding this change and on the March 8<sup>th</sup> agenda, possibly vote on the contract.
3. Pre–Town Meeting Discussion
  - Selectboard to answer questions regarding Town Meeting Articles  
Manwaring questioned Article 6. Fitzgerald stated that the Board doesn't know who submitted the article, so there is very little information on it. He feels that approving this article would limit participation. Fitzgerald did note that with Town Meeting participation so low, this would allow more voters to vote on the articles. Streeter and Gannon feel that maybe the voters should be asked what a better time is for Town Meeting to try and increase participation. Discussed possibly passing over this article on the floor at Town Meeting.  
  
Streeter mentioned the Look Rd Bridge project (article 4) and possible funding other than taking out a loan.  
  
Discussed article 5–funding the recycling at the former town garage and the cost of keeping the second site
4. Other Business

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica DeFrancesco  
Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

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Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

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John Gannon, Vice Chair

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Vince Rice, Clerk

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Susan Joy Haughwout

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Sarah Fisher