

Minutes of the Strafford Select Board
January 18, 2018

Members present: John Freitag, Acting Chair, Toni Pippy, Stephen Marx, Brian Johnson, and Kate Siepmann

John called the meeting to order at 6:02 and turned the meeting over to Toni. Over the course of the next two hours, Toni led the Board through a line-by-line examination of the Budget. The final accounting is not yet complete, ergo no final budget projections are possible at this time. Toni is trying to minimize the impact on taxpayers while building up a long-term equipment fund. Your faithful secretary was impressed by the collaborative input to the discussion and the thoroughness of the presentation.

The Board agreed that, while we wait for numbers, and thanks to Toni's prodigious labors, we are sufficiently prepared to cancel the special budget meeting scheduled for next Tuesday. We will continue work at the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 24 at the conclusion of the agenda items.

With regard to the Strafford/Thetford agreement re: the Elizabeth Mine Solar Project, Toni will contact the Thetford Select Board, requesting a place on their agenda with an eye to signing the agreement and putting it in force. Toni, Steve, and Brian will represent the Board when that meeting is scheduled.

In a change of plans from our last meeting, John will pen the Select Board Report to the Town Meeting.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:10.

Faithfully submitted,

Kate Siepmann, Amanuensis manquée