

March 1, 2017

Item I: Call to Order: The special meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with Russell Gray, Lincoln Cooper, and John Firlik.

Staff present: Joyce Gustavson, Penny Keith, Heather George, Bill Sebastian, Anna Gagner, Katie Hermonot, Rachel Vincent, Mary Mortimer, Dale Boisselle (5:35 p.m.) and Judy Gooslin (5:50 p.m.)

Also present: Leatrice Shippee.

Item II: Discussion on FY 2017-2018 Selectmen's Budget Proposal: Staff asked why the Fire Marshal is part of the Town budget and could his salary be kicked to the Fire District. R. Gray stated that the Fire Marshal is a Town employee. R. Gray will check with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and see if the Fire Marshal needs to be employed by the Town or if the Fire District could pick up his salary. Other items that were discussed include Information Technology, Athletic Facilities & Programs, and employee contracts. During the budget process, the Board of Selectmen reduced the Library Staff wages from \$49,500 to \$46,000 to reflect more accurately what is routinely being spent. Discussion followed and the Board of Selectmen agreed to reinstate Library Staff wages to \$49,500.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik, to adjourn at 6:02 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary