Town & Village of Woodstock Select Board & Board of Trustees Joint Meeting February 27, 2024 5:30 pm Town Hall & Zoom Minutes

Draft minutes are subject to approval.

Present: Chair Ray Bourgeois, Susan Ford, Keri Cole, Greg Fullerton, Laura Powell, Chair Seton McIlroy, Jeffrey Kahn, Brenda Blakeman, Bill Corson, Gabe DeLeon, Eric Duffy, Nikki Levakis, Frank Horneck, Police Chief Joe Swanson, Lisa Lawlor, Daniel Peirce

A. Call to order

Select Board

a. Chair Ray Bourgeois called the joint meeting of February 27th to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Trustees

a. Chair Seton McIlroy called the joint meeting of February 27th to order at 5:30 pm.

B. Police Protection Inter Local Contract

Motion: by Chair McIlroy to approve the Police Protection Inter Local Contract.

Seconded: by Jeffrey Kahn.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

Motion: by Laura Powell to approve the Police Protection Inter Local Contract.

Seconded: by Greg Fullerton.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

C. Other business

- 1. The Board's discussed a proposed bill by the State.
 - a. Jeffrey suggested they consider the recommendations to handle their own matters without State interference.
 - b. He suggested drafting a joint letter agreeing to VLCT's suggestions. Concerns were raised about a letter.
 - c. The bill strengthens ethics polices, and Laura suggested statewide ethics training may be beneficial.
 - d. Jeffrey was wary of the bill, fearing it might infringe on their autonomy and impact volunteerism.
 - e. No joint letter will be drafted.

D. Adjournment – Trustees

Motion: by Jeffrey to adjourn the meeting for the Trustees at 5:44 pm.

Seconded: by Brenda Blakeman.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

E. Executive session to discuss a contract

Motion: by Susan Ford to enter executive session at 5:46 pm under 1 VSA 313 1a.

Seconded: by Greg. Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

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The Select Board exited executive session and resumed the public meeting at 6:04 pm.

F. Adjournment – Select Board

Motion: by Susan to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 pm.

Seconded: by Greg. Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

Respectfully submitted, Nikki Levakis

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