

**ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup> 2016**  
**ASHLAND TOWN OFFICE**  
**7:30 AM**

The Board of Selectmen convened for a Monday morning meeting to further review the 2017 budgets. Chairman Newton called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM. Present: Chairman Fran Newton, Selectmen Steve Felton, Katie Maher and Harold Lamos, Selectman Leigh Sharps was absent. Also present was Town Administrator Charles Smith.

1. The board continued to discuss the Executive budget with the Town Administrator and after further discussion the Executive budget was approved with changes. Also approved was the Parks and Recreation budget and Election. The board had discussion about the Finance budget and requested the TA follow up on line items.
2. The Select Board approved a new hire for Parks and Rec. And asked the TA to forward the board the historical contract of the Police Chief which is up for renewal.
3. In closing the board started discussion about the warrant articles and to having an independent analysis completed on staffing roles, responsibilities, and market wages.

The board adjourned their meeting at 11:00 AM and scheduled their next 2017 budget meeting for Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Smith