

## COUNCIL MEETING

February 11, 2008

**PRESENT:** Willis Lord, Eric Herrle, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Chauncey Gerry, Tim Neill, Terry Lowell, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Frank Allen, Paul Verrell, Sr., Frank Birkemose, Jr., Dwayne Woodsome, Bob Gobeil, Bob Fay, Roland Denby, Mike DeAngelis, Everett Whitten, Toby & Trina Bryant, Tom Cyr, Russ, Lowell, Clint Andrews, Birgit McCallum, Sue Ellen Chamberlain, Kevin Nelson, Tony Fantasia, Sue Dunlap & Kurt Clason.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Selectmen's Report:** Willis reported that the roads are being well sanded and plowed. We have some of the best roads around. Discussed what future plans are for the Transfer Station

**Selectmen's Assistant Report:** Nancy reported that they have received \$7.7 million in budget requests this year compared to \$6.9 million last year. This is an increase of \$800,000. Discussed the MDOT plans to redo the intersection of Route 5/Townhouse Road/Old Alfred Road. Will probably be moving the Veteran's Monument to behind the Taylor House and will be closing off the section of road in front of the old fire station. They will also be installing a traffic light at that intersection.

**York County Sheriff's Dept.:** Reports for December and January attached

**Assessor's Report:** Reported that he is currently reviewing deed transfers. Has had approximately 425 deed transfers in an 8 month period. His hours for March will be increasing to 3 days a week to get ready for April 1<sup>st</sup>. Discussed revaluation. Could cost \$150,000-\$200,000 to do a revaluation this year.

**Motor Vehicle Agent:** Reports for December and January attached.

**Town Clerk:** Reports for December and January attached.

**Treasurer:** Sue Ellen introduced herself but explained that after only 1½ weeks on the job she is still finding her way around and nothing yet to report.

**Tax Collector:** Reports for December and January attached.

**Planning Board:** Reported that they have met with SAD #57 on the new middle school, York County Community Action has met with them about a Child Care facility for ½ day care on Middle Road and will be holding a Public Hearing on February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30. They are still working with Carthage Lumber and Dunkin Donuts is in the process. They also have 10-12 zoning changes for town meeting and the public hearing on this will also be on February 19<sup>th</sup> following York County Community Action.

**Parks & Recreation:** Report Attached.

**Old Home Days:** Reported that they held their first meeting but have nothing to report yet.

**SAD #57:** Eric explained what is going on at the meeting tomorrow evening. Reported on the public hearing regarding the new middle school. The cost of the building will be \$18-\$22 million but that is only for the building itself.

**Transfer Station Committee:** Reported that they will be meeting regularly the last Wednesday of every month. Was questioned on whether the committee is looking into pay per bag or curbside pickup. Eric stated that this is up to the Recycling Committee which is currently inactive.

**Transfer Station Manager:** Report Attached.

**EMA Director:** Reported that there will be a meeting on 2/19 at 7 p.m. and 2/20 at 9 a.m. at the York County EMA office with the Maine Emergency Response Coordinator as the speaker. Also requested that all 911 numbers be on the house, a tree or mailbox so that you can be found in an emergency.

**Library Board of Trustees:** Reported that they have an almost complete new board. Are forming a committee to look into a new library, the furnace is operating on a wing & prayer just hope it holds out until they can get into a new building. Also reported that the resident guinea pigs have both passed on. Looking forward to meeting with the Selectmen so that they have a clearer understanding of how the finances of the library work and what part is town and what part is their responsibility.

**Fire Dept./EMS:** Chief Birkemose reported that they had 1,029 runs combined Fire and EMS last year. Currently has two people taking a seatbelt safety course so they will be able to instruct on the proper installation of car seats. Also has on taking a CPR Instructor course and they hope to be able to do CPR training at the Fire Station. They have also been working on the budget and met last week with the Finance Committee.

**Lake Arrowhead:** Have a meeting scheduled for Saturday at 10 a.m. at the high school to discuss the proposed village corporation.

**Finance Committee:** Reported that they have begun meeting with town departments & committees and have a meeting tomorrow at 7 p.m.

**Fair Hearing Committee:** Mike reported that they met in December and he is Chairman. Will meet again before the end of the fiscal year and are ready if they are needed.

**Public Safety Committee:** Reported that they have not met in several months. They are working to put together an agenda and call a meeting very quickly.