

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 2003

PRESENT: Doug Foglio, Willis Lord, Eric Herrle, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Tom Cyr, Deb Wentworth, Tim Neill, Frank Allen, Paul Kussman, Toby & Trina Bryant, Kevin Nelson, Nancy Bean, Larry Jacobsen, Ralph Bowley, David Benton, Frank Kent, Mary & Beth Cyr, Elaine & Richard Pellerin, Bob Gobeil, Don Scouler, Bob Fay, Mike DeAngelis & Paul Verrell, Sr.

Selectman Foglio opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. announcing the need for drivers to deliver Meals on Wheels.

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 - Frank Kent addressed the board regarding his need for a Consent Decree. Was granted one last year and it corrected two (2) violations but did not pick up the third violation. Doug noted that in July 1984 the Planning Board issued a conditional use permit to construct within 30' of the sideline and he is actually 32'. At that time the conditional use permits were not recorded with the deed and if they had been would not have this problem now. Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to grant this consent decree. Voted. Passed.

7:15 - Doug stated that before Mrs. Pellerin addressed the board that he feels that this was discussed to the fullest last week. Mrs. Pellerin stated that she wants a copy of the letter being sent to the Attorney General. Also questioned if the statement supplied on May 30th had been turned over to the District Attorney's office. Nancy stated that the letter will be completed tomorrow and she will provide her with a copy and Kevin stated that the statement in question has already been turned over to the ADA.

7:30 - Mike addressed the board regarding the water quality grant. Dave Benton has agreed to do the work. Stated that Alex Wong needs a letter stating that the town can do the work cheaper than the DOT. Will work with Dave to provide this information.

7:45 - Trina Bryant addressed the board regarding the problems with Mrs. Pellerin. Stated that her family life is being threatened by Mrs. Pellerin. Doug stated that he feels the town has gone as far as they can go with this. They both need to go to an attorney and fight it out in a court of law. Eric noted that the board is not even considering anything prior to May 28, 2003. Toby Bryant stated that he feels she is wasting the taxpayers dollars with all the phone calls to town hall and all the employees time she is wasting on this situation.

8:00 - Doug stated that before proceeding he has worked with Mr. Ryder in the past but not on this project. Agreed to step aside if the rest of the board wanted him to. Board agreed that he should participate. Mr. Ryder stated that he has built 48 homes in Lake Arrowhead and never had a violation before. Stated that it is clearly his fault and that he looked at the property when it was covered with snow therefore not clearly noting how the road was layed out. Will reschedule for next week after the Selectmen have a chance to go look at the property.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Kevin Nelson addressed the board with a request to purchase some equipment out of his account. Stated that as of this date he has a balance of \$8,367.50. Noted that by law funds taken in by the ACO have to be used for that department. Requested to purchase a net gun as well as an extra large cage and would also like to purchase uniforms so he looks professional in performing his duties. Stated that he should have over \$3,000 to turn back at the end of the year as there are only two (2) weeks left in the fiscal year. Doug stated that he feels this should have gone on the Special Town Meeting next week and allowed the townspeople to say whether they wanted him to have this equipment or not. Willis felt the money would be well spent. Discussed chemical capture and the fact that it is not approved in the State of Maine. Doug stated that we don't yet know the cost of insurance and would prefer to hold over until next week when there will be a larger crowd present and will also have final figures by then.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussed convening the Hiring Panel to look at the applications for Town Administrator. Agreed to meet next Tuesday at 6 p.m. to open the applications.

OTHER

1. Bob Fay questioned how the Waterboro representative to RWS voted on the benefit package for Chuck Foshay, General Manager. No one had heard anything from Wendy.
2. Discussed the meeting to be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday in Alfred to request Waterboro to rescind their request for reapportionment. Larry Jacobsen stated that because he represents multiple towns he can not get directly involved but will help in any way he can. Paul Verrell commended the Selectmen for requesting reapportionment. Reported that last week the school board voted to install a window, a door and ventilation system in the in school suspension room after being closed down by the Fire Marshall's Office by a vote of 8-6-1. Mr. Verrell cited a lot of problems with the chairman of the school board, Lee Steele. Willis stated that an employee tendered a resignation to the school board and the superintendent but the school board members never saw it. Dave Benton stated that an employee had resigned but the school board was told that they retired. Doug requested that Larry find out from the Commissioner of Education, how many school districts are requesting reapportionment. Eric noted that they did not request reapportionment, only showed the 2000 census and state law which requires reapportionment. Larry stated that both he and Senator Nass will work with the law. Mike questioned how many other towns are unequal. Discussed the Dirigo Health Care Plan, regionalization of government and the charter commission for the county.
3. Motion by Doug and seconded by Willis to accept the minutes of 6/9/03 as written. Voted. Passed.
4. Doug read the announcements.
5. Nancy reported that the auditor wants to meet with the Selectmen, Finance Committee and Treasurer.
6. Dave Benton announced that the Public Safety Committee has lost another member and they still need clarification of their Mission Statement.
7. Nancy to advertise for committee openings.
8. Doug read a letter from employees regarding the controversy over the hiring panel and other concerns. Mike stated that the hiring panel has worked very well in the past. With regard to the letter from the employees, there are a lot of concerns on the employees parts about what's going to happen on July 1st. Eric noted that they can always hire an interim administrator as they did with the Code Office until a permanent individual is hired.
9. Nancy Bean addressed the Public Hearing next week with MDOT regarding the project at the intersection of Route 5/Old Alfred Road/Townhouse Road. Stated that according to the preliminary plans they plan to take half her property and she will be fighting this project.
10. Discussed separating metals at the Transfer Station. Noted that it is not cost effective when you consider the liability to have someone in there doing the separating.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Doug and seconded by Eric to adjourn at 9:35 p.m..

SIGNED:

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 6/9/03
2. Consent Decree

APPROVED

Date _____
