

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
July 21, 2003

PRESENT: Willis Lord, Eric Herrle, Doug Foglio, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Ralph Bowley, John Cloonan, Teresa Lowell, Bob Gobeil, Tim Neill, Bob Fay, Richard Pinette, Kevin Nelson, Sandra Jorgensen, Elaine Pellerin, Frank Allen, Paul Verrell, Sr., David Benton & Mike DeAngelis

Selectman Lord opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Read an invitation from Sheriff Cote for a VIP Tour of the new jail to be held on Friday, July 25th beginning at 2 p.m. Also announced a Public Hearing on the new Middle School Construction Project to be held on Wednesday, July 30th at 7 p.m. in the Junior High Auditorium. Announced the new assessment from RWS for the next fiscal year of \$9,361.83 which is an increase of \$3,023.33 more per month than this past year. Announced the need for drivers for Meals on Wheels.

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 – Willis stated that there are six properties taken by tax lien this year. Five of them are in Lake Arrowhead and one on Middle Road. Agreed to sell these at auction. Richard Pinette stated that with the growth ordinance perhaps they should not sell at auction but instead sell to abutters. Stated that per the new Charter the board can change an ordinance. Willis suggested taking this up at a workshop.

7:30 – Patti McIntyre, CEO requested the installation of silt fence and the removal of a large rock at the beach area. Stated that there is liability to the town if the rock falls and someone gets hurt. Doug stated that he is concerned about erosion if you remove the rock. Patti also requested that they rope it off and put up No Trespassing signs. Stated that there are two grants, one from DOT and one for erosion control. Alex Wong of MDOT indicated that there are funds available from DOT for erosion control. Debbie St. Pierre of York County Soil & Water Conservation District addressed the board and informed them of the grant that she applied for a year ago to do the worst area of the beach as well as some roads around the lake and that it has been granted but will not start until January. Suggested some very large rip rap to stabilize the area. Doug suggested an emergency fix which would have to be funded by the town even though there has been nothing appropriated. Debbie to see if the funds can pay for it retroactive in January to reimburse what the town has to spend. Elaine Pellerin stated that the height of the lake is causing a tremendous amount of erosion and that there has been a petition drawn up to lower it to 6'3" which has not yet been turned in. Discussed funding and matching funds. Debbie will be the one to apply for the Permit By Rule. Dave Benton to install silt fence as well as fencing to keep people out of the area as soon as possible.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussed the reapportionment committee. Doug volunteered to be the Selectmen's representative on this committee. Had several people present volunteer to be the citizen at large on this committee. Eric suggested putting out a call to have people volunteer and get their names in by Friday to the Administrator. Discussed how the school board member to this committee will be chosen. The first meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 4th at 7 p.m.
2. Doug suggested next Monday night to vote on the two road names presented. Felt that they should have a policy where they read the names one week and hold off the vote to the following week to give an opportunity for public input. Motion by Doug and seconded by Eric to vote on the road names next week. Voted. Passed.
3. Discussed the request from Anne Worth for a traffic study in the area of 202 in front of her office. Motion by Eric and seconded by Doug to send to the Road Review Committee for a recommendation. Bob Fay questioned if this meeting will be publicized and open to the public as well as if the committee will be looking at speed limits all over town. Dave Benton suggested including the Public Safety

Committee in this meeting. Doug noted that there is an ordinance setting speed limits on town roads. Eric stated that they need to get both committees together and advertise the meeting. Doug suggested holding this meeting an hour before the regular Selectmen's Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussed the meeting held last week in Limerick regarding the MSAD 57 television station. Willis reported that the superintendent appeared to be very cooperative. Doug felt that they received no commitment from the Superintendent to do anything. Willis stated that any plan will need to go before the school board. Discussed tapes of the meetings being sent to all towns to be aired on their local cable with the exception of Newfield as they have no cable in their area. Discussed funding the program. Doug felt that there needs to be an effort by all six towns because all students will benefit.

OTHER

1. Dave Benton reported that he is having a problem with someone spraying signs with silver spray paint. \ Asked that anyone with information to please report it. This is not only a costly problem but a danger. The signs that are being sprayed are only for safety making this a very serious issue. Reported that he is also losing a lot of street signs. Last year spent over \$4,000 to replace street signs and still did not have enough money to replace them all. Discussed signs on private roads and perhaps the town paying for the first one and after that it would be the responsibility of the people on the road. Felt that if people had to replace their own signs they might be more aware of what happens to them. Discussed the possibility of offering a reward for information on missing street signs.
2. Willis read a letter from the town of Ogunquit to RWS informing them that they are considering Withdrawing from the RWS inter-local solid waste agreement.
3. Nancy reported that she and the assessor have sent out requests for the revaluation bids. Has had one reply which was to decline because they are too busy.
4. Nancy reported that Goodall Occupational will be here on Thursday to review workstations.
5. Doug reported that he has two businesses who are willing to come out and look at the heating system.
6. Discussed selling municipal bonds to the citizens of Waterboro. Doug has spoken to Ken Cole regarding this and was told that the cost may outweigh the good.
7. Doug reported the N. Waterboro Pine Grove Cemetery had spoken to him and expressed concern that in the future there will be no one to care for it. They want to know if the town would oversee the money and annually disperse the interest only for perpetual care. Feels the town should step forward and do this. Per Ken Cole the town can do if the current overseers of the cemetery would turn over to the town the funds in the perpetual care account and they would agree to spend the interest only. Willis stated that they should go forward with this.
8. Bob Fay stated that he heard that the Governor's response to schools being funded at 55% is to cap school budgets and property taxes. Questioned if the board knew anything about this. No one knew anything more than what had been on the news.
9. Mike DeAngelis presented a request to put a well in at Friendship Park. Stated that they need water for the fields. Received the best price from Woodsome Well Drilling. Will be happy to solicit other bids if that is the wish of the board. Discussed screened wells. Board requested that he check into a screened well and he will check with Randy Dyer. Mike will come back in two weeks.
10. Motion by Doug and seconded by Eric to accept the minutes of 7/14/03 as written. Voted. Passed
11. Eric read the list of reminders.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Doug and seconded by Eric to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

SIGNED:

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 7/7/03 & 7/14/03
2. URIP Certification

APPROVED

Date _____
