

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

January 4, 2005

ATTENDING: Douglas Foglio, Sr., Robert Fay, David Chauvette, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Jim Gendron, Don Boilard, Bob Gobeil, Mark & Beth Cyr, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, David Benton, Kevin and Nancy Nelson.

Selectman Foglio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Selectman Fay announced that Fred Bechard has resigned as of last Friday and given the school board six months to find a replacement.

APPOINTMENTS

Jim Gendron addressed the board regarding Andrews Lane. Questioned why the work was not being done that use to be done. Had understood that this is a town road. Stated that the culverts are now all plugged. He has plowed it himself for years but the town use to grade it at least once a year. Not asking for a lot but just want to be able to use the road. Stated that the town has sanded the last two storms. David Benton, Road Commissioner stated that he though the private roads were to be maintained by the abutting property owners. Mr. Gendron stated that he feels the residents should at least have safe egress. Stated that a deputy told him that a green street sign meant that it's a town road. Selectman Chauvette stated that the deputy was incorrect and that a green sign doesn't necessarily mean a town road. Selectman Fay stated that the board did agree to continue as we had been on private road until the current plowing contract expires. Mr. Gendron was told when he bought the property that it is a town maintained road. Selectman Foglio stated that the road has always been maintained but not constructed. The end was paved so school buses could turn around. Will have the Road Commissioner take a look at it and see if he can get the water out of the road.

Pam L'Heureux addressed the board regarding the Terrorism Annex the Emergency Operations Plan. Stated that she needs them to read it over and vote. Will also provide them with a second part. Will vote at the meeting of January 18th.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

1. Reported that the catwalks have been installed and will be working on the heating system next week.
2. Reported that the old building is all painted and the tiles in the hallway have been removed and will be replaced.
3. Work has been started on the intersection and spoke with MDOT today and the light will be working by the middle of next week. The stop sign with the flashing lights will be moved to the spur which will be one way. They are not sure when they will be doing the second phase.
4. Preliminary budgets have been submitted to the Finance Committee and the Selectmen will be meeting with the Finance Committee to go over recommendations. Meeting not yet scheduled.
5. The Charter Amendments from November took effect on January 1st.
6. Addressed the rumor that 87 ballots were missing. Selectman Fay stated that the Speaker of the House should have known better.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Chauvette to appoint Raymond Davis to the Transfer Station Committee. Voted. Passed.
2. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Chauvette to approve the request for the road names Heath Row, a right of way from Brookside Drive and River Bend Drive located within the River Bend Subdivision. Voted. Passed.
3. Discussed town hall rentals. Selectman Fay did not think town hall should be rented to commercial groups. Will hold a public hearing on January 18th for public input. Selectman Chauvette stated that

non-profits should take priority. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Chauvette to hold a public hearing on January 18th to discuss hall rental and fees. Voted. Passed.

4. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Fay to instruct the Town Administrator to draft a letter to Patterson and Associates stated that we paid for the audit and therefore all paperwork belongs to the town including the worksheets. Voted. Passed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Announced that the next Selectmen's Meeting on January 11th will be held at 5 pm with a workshop following at 6 pm with the Hollis Selectmen. On Tuesday, January 18th will be holding a workshop at 5:30 with the Selectmen of Hollis as well as the Transfer Station Committee and Transfer Station Manager.

OTHER

1. Discussed Engine Brake signs and Dave Benton reported that they are all in place per the ordinance and have been since December 23rd.
2. Motion by Selectman Chauvette and seconded by Selectman Fay to accept the minutes of 12/14/04 as written. Voted. Passed.
3. Selectman Fay read the reminders.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

Kevin Nelson addressed the board stating that on 12/21/04 at a workshop with the Finance Committee Selectman Foglio said that the Transfer Station building would be constructed out of fees not at all from the taxpayers money. In August 2003 Selectman Foglio said "its all taxpayers money, it's all taxpayers money and the taxpayers are sick and tired of people saying fines & fees (in my instance) are all taxpayers money. That once it comes into town hall its all revenue, a tax is a tax is a tax." My question is what is the difference between my fees that I brought in and the fees they brought in. Selectman Foglio stated that he believes he said it's no all going to be paid out of taxpayer money because we have a \$20,000 grant from the State of Maine and part of the work will be in kind. They money he was referring to is the grant. The money for this building is \$20,000 from the state and the rest from fees. Explained that it is not his idea to build this building it was the previous Board of Selectmen and they set the policy, we are only finishing what they started.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Chauvette and seconded by Selectman Foglio to adjourn at 7:50 pm. Voted. Passed.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll

1. Minutes of 12/7/04
2. Concealed weapon application
3. West Road Sidewalk Snowplowing Contract
4. York County Hazard Mitigation Plan

APPROVED:

Date _____

