

## **SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**

**April 19, 2005**

**ATTENDING:** Doug Foglio, Sr., Robert Fay, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Cindy Moore, Pam L'Heureux, Jon Gale, Jason L'Heureux, David Scullion, Willis Lord, Clint Andrews, Dwayne Woodsome, Mike Towns, and David Woodsome.

Selectman Foglio called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Selectman Foglio stated that the first item of business is to vote on the Executive Session held last week for a Hardship Abatement. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Fay to grant the hardship abatement. Vote 0-2. Motion fails. Selectman Foglio explained that they can not give a hardship abatement on taxes not yet due.

Selectman Foglio thanked Dawn Smith for the wonderful parade on Saturday to Welcome Home and thank the troops. The parade was taped for SRCTV and will be aired on Channel 2 every night at 7 pm for two weeks.

### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

1. Reported that the deadline for the Fire Chief position was last Friday and received 13 applications. Will not be convening the Hiring Panel until after the election as two members of the Hiring Panel are running for Selectman. If they win the election they will need to be replaced on the Hiring Panel prior to holding interviews for Fire Chief.
2. Reminded that Town Meeting will be held on Saturday beginning at 10 am at MHS in the auditorium and voting will be on Friday 7 am to 8 pm. They do need 25 people present at 7 am on Friday to open the polls.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion by Selectman Foglio to pass over review of the weight slips until he has time to look at them.
2. Discussed the Service Agreement with Commercial Paving to grind the material at the Transfer Station. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Fay to seek prices on the grinding before deciding if that is the direction that want to go in. Voted. Passed. Motion by Selectman Fay to sign the agreement with Commercial Paving for removal of asphalt shingles and gypsum board. Selectman Foglio moved that prior to signing that we send to the attorney to see if it prohibits us going elsewhere for the term of the contract if we find a cheaper cost.
3. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Foglio to authorize the Selectman to spend up to \$17,500 to purchase a skid steer for the Transfer Station. Voted. Passed. Explained that they recently lost the opportunity to purchase two different skid steers because they did not have the authority to spend the funds. Dwayne stated that they could purchase new for about the same price with a 3 year municipal lease.
4. Motion by Selectman Fay to close the Transfer Station on 4/23/05 for Town Meeting until the end of Town Meeting. If the meeting lasts past 1 p.m. they will not open at all that day. Voted. Passed.

### **OTHER**

1. Selectman Foglio explained that they have only had the audit since last Friday. Nancy reported that she received it by email at 3:14 pm and they wanted her signed approval by 4 p.m. Since that did not allow enough time for everyone to review for mistakes they have included the draft in the town report. Selectman Fay showed the Town Report.

2. Reported that the 11 Town Selectmen’s Group met last evening and discussed regionalizing dispatch services and Rural Patrol. Will be charged based on permanent residents and our cost will go from \$24,000 per year to \$137,000.
3. Discussed the increase in our share to the school
4. Explained the increase in the Homestead Exemption and that the town will be responsible for half.

**HEARING OF DELEGATION**

1. Willis reported on the Mercury situation at RWS. Stated that Federal standards allow 50 lb. Per year and the last time they were tested had only 25 lb. Now the State is talking of lowering the standard from 50 lb to 20-25 lb. and this could create a huge expense. Did state that the Town of Waterboro is doing their share.
2. Robert Hindle came in to request that the town allow him to remove the buildings from his property. Had been stopped by Code Enforcement and has no permits and owes back taxes. Stated that he has two parties interested in buying the property but they want the buildings removed. Selectman Foglio explained that they can’t make a decision tonight. He does have two matured tax liens on that property so will check with the attorney. Will look into this further and put on the agenda for next Tuesday night.
3. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Fay to accept the minutes of 4/12/05. Voted. Passed.
4. Selectman Fay read the reminders.
5. David Woodsome reported that the Transfer Station Committee met last night and have continued their meeting until Monday at 7 pm.
6. Selectman Foglio reminded that the polls open at 7 am on Friday and need 25 present to proceed. Also reported that they have shortened the warrant to 37 articles and the amount raised will be \$300 less than last year if they go with the Selectmen’s recommendations.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Fay to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Voted. Passed.

**SIGNED:**

Warrants for bills and payroll:

**APPROVED:**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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