

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2005

ATTENDING: Doug Foglio, Sr., Robert Fay, Jon Gale, Cindy Moore, Dwayne Woodsome, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Don & Darthea Drew, Ellie Newton, Ralph Bowley, Ron Perro and David Woodsome.

Selectman Foglio called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m..

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Reported that the Hiring Panel met last week to review applications for the position of Fire Chief. Will be holding interviews on Thursday and Friday evening.
2. Reported that the Selectmen met last week with SAD 57 regarding the building fees. The building committee was concerned because they thought the town and state were doing the same things and that it was a duplication of services. They now have a clear understanding of the differences and will be meeting on Thursday to decide. Will know by Friday if they will be paying the town the requested building fees.
3. Reported that she has heard from the Post Office regarding a new plan. All post offices will remain open with East relocating to the new facility. Will be putting out a new request for a location and have reduced the square footage. Selectman Fay has requested that the representative come to a Selectmen's Meeting and explain the new plan so everyone has a clear understanding.
4. Reported that the footings for the Quonset hut are in place and the foundation is scheduled within the next week. Weather has been hindering this.
5. Reported that the assessment information is almost ready for the web site. Have a little clean up work to do but will be ready very soon.
6. Reviewed the items provided for the Selectmen to review for future meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Woodsome to approve the Assessing Maintenance Agreement and the Assessment Revaluation Agreement. Motion seconded by Selectman Fay. Vote unanimous.
2. Discussed a request from Patterson and Associates. Will hold an Executive Session next week to discuss the review and audit contract. Also requested that they discuss auditor for 2005/2006 next week.
3. Discussed the option for the new ambulance. Because of lead time should enter into the agreement now. Funds will be available on July 1st but takes several months for delivery. If they wait until July 1st to place the order will be as much as nine months before they can take delivery. If they place the order now would save \$5,000. Should also consider trading in the old ambulance versus selling it. Motion by Selectman Woodsome to enter into the agreement with P L Custom to purchase a new ambulance and to seek out interested parties by bid for a sum equal to the net amount of the trade in or more. Motion seconded by Selectman Gale. Vote unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Gale that they accept the Purchase Order/Payment Ordinance with one change under Petty Cash "that the audit be done quarterly by the Town Administrator and Selectman(s) designee." Nancy explained that they need to hold a public hearing to change an ordinance. Selectman Gale did not wish to go through a Public Hearing therefore withdrew his motion. Ordinance will remain as is.
2. Treasurer's Disbursement Policy changed to say any one of the five (5) Selectmen and the Town Administrator must sign the Payroll Warrant. Selectman Foglio explained the need to make that change was due to the Charter and assuring that the Town Administrator reviews all bills. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to accept the policy with the one change. Vote unanimous.

3. Motion by Selectman Gale to approve the Building Use Policy with one change in the wording of Section B under General Procedures to read “the Town Administrator may approve the request at his/her discretion.” Otherwise as written. Motion seconded by Selectman Fay. Vote unanimous.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

1. Pam L’Heureux explained that from May 28th through June 30th there will be a SAFER Grant available. This would fund a full-time firefighter. Would work the same as the grant for the Contract Deputy. Would pay 100% the first year, 75% the second, 50% the third, 25% the fourth and from then on would be the full responsibility of the town. Questioned if the Selectmen would like her to put in for the grant. Selectman Foglio stated that we will soon need to start thinking about a third shift and this might be the way to go. Requested that she get more information and report back.
2. Selectman Fay stated that only one member showed up for the Public Safety Committee meeting on Monday. Dave Woodsome stated that perhaps they don’t need to meet as often. Discussed how often they should meeting. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Fay that they meet every two months or more often if needed. Vote unanimous. Discussed reminders going out to every committee and the need for a secretary for all committees.
3. Selectman Foglio requested to not approve the minutes of 5/3/05 as he did not think he voted in opposition to putting the Crushing out to bid. Should have been abstained from voting. Will review the tape and bring back corrected minutes next week
4. Discussed the meeting tomorrow night with the Transfer Station Committee, RWS Representative, RWS General Manager, and Finance Committee. Selectman Foglio stated that the Selectmen in Lyman are interested and he has invited them to attend the meeting. Discussed an article in the Portland Press Herald regarding RWS and recycling.
5. Selectman Fay felt they should hold a workshop with the Road Commissioner.
6. Selectman Woodsome reported that on Friday, May 13th there will be two hearings in Augusta at 10 am. One bill is to delay the new Homestead Exemption and the second to fully fund it. Discussed going to Augusta on Friday to testify.
7. Selectman Fay read the reminders.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Voted. Passed.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll:

1. Concealed Weapon Permit Application
2. Assessing Maintenance Agreement
3. Assessment Revaluation Agreement

APPROVED:

Date _____
