

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

August 9, 2005

ATTENDING: Douglas Foglio, Sr., Robert Fay, Jon Gale, Cindy Moore, Dwayne Woodsome, Pam Witman, Jonathan Raymond, Don Boilard, Matt Bors, Pam L'Heureux, Ralph Bowley, Ray Davis, Tammy Wells, Jason L'Heureux and David Woodsome.

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

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 pm – Pam L'Heureux addressed the board stating that she is willing to relocate her EMA office to the old Town Hall. Requested the second floor room for her new office and that a new rug be installed, shelving, move the phone line and cable TV access if available. Selectman Foglio questioned her taking the Parks & Rec. Office as that would give her an interior room and could move the Parks & Rec. Director to a larger office. Have not spoken with the Parks & Rec. Director but will do so and put this back on next weeks agenda. Selectman Fay stated that he has no objection to upstairs or down. They want her to be comfortable to continue her good work. Selectman Moore and Gale both agreed that she should be comfortable as she has done a lot for this town. Announced that the Republican Town Committee will be meeting Saturday, August 20th and Rep. Jacobsen will be present to discuss the bond issues for the November election.

7:15 pm – Jerry Daigle, Assessor addressed the board regarding the Homestead Exemption. Last year had 1172 exemptions equaling \$5.5 million in valuation and \$120,000 in taxation. This was reimbursed 100% by the state. This year will be 1184 exemptions for a valuation of \$10 million and \$238,000 in taxation. State will be reimbursing half so will be adding \$.38 on the tax rate to cover the loss. This exemption is worth about \$200 off the tax bill this year. Explained that this is an unfunded budget loss that will be affecting the tax rate. Selectman Foglio explained that what the town loses in valuation that SAD #57 will pick up. This is because there was a budget article at the last school vote requesting authorization to spend that money at the discretion of the school board and that article passed. Jerry explained the revaluation process that that he has six (6) people out in the field at this point. By the end of August they should have Lake Arrowhead completed. Currently has someone in South Waterboro, have started around Ossipee Lake and should be completely finished by December 1st. Next July will send out notification to each property owner of the outcome. Striving to match the fair market value of 2006.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Town Administrator on vacation but Selectman Foglio reported that the structure at the Transfer Station is moving along and that the Pay Per Bag is going along well. Selectman Fay made a motion to reimburse Selectman Foglio for all his expenses related to the erection of this building. Motion seconded by Selectman Woodsome. Requested that Selectman Foglio compile a list of expenses that he has incurred and to submit for reimbursement. Vote unanimous. Reviewed the cost of the building and Selectman Foglio reported that is well within the money asked for. Will have a price on the drainage next week.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale to appoint Don Day to the Planning Board to complete the term of Jonathan Raymond who resigned to become the video technician. Vote unanimous.
2. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to accept the resignation of David Krueger from the Zoning Board of Appeals with appreciation and regret. Selectman Woodsome stated that he will be greatly missed. Vote unanimous. Selectman Foglio announced that the Treasurer resigned last week and the resignation was accepted by the Town Administrator.

3. Discussed a 5 year capital improvement plan for the computer system in all town buildings. Selectman Moore would like to see all departments linked together and questioned if this would be something Jonathan would be able to do for the town. He will provide an estimate to do this.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Gale that there no longer be a charge for Transfer Station stickers beginning January 1st. Motion seconded by Selectman Fay. Voted. Passed.
2. David Woodsome reported on the transition at the Transfer Station. Reported that it went much smoother this week and recycling has increased substantially. Missi Labbe, Recycling Coordinator for RWS will be at the Transfer Station on August 12th 11 am to 3 pm and here at the Town Hall on August 22nd 6 to 7 pm for a demonstration and to answer questions on recycling. Would encourage anyone interested to attend or can email their questions to info@regionalwaste.com. Currently the committee is meeting every Thursday at 6 pm. Explained a 10 unit family study that they hope to do for 1 month. Have four (4) families signed up already. Talked about a raffle to give away a sleeve of bags. Have had a couple complaints of the large bag ripping. If it is a problem requested that you bring the bag to the Transfer Station so they can inspect them. Feel that the major problem with that is because they are over-filled. Reported that the capacity of the large bag has been questioned. Has received the national standard from the manufacturer and they do meet the standard. Discussed the fact that bags of trash are not being inspected. Selectman Fay stated that this is an effort to cut down on property tax. Selectman Gale stated that they will want some real good figures prior to town meeting. Dave also reported that they are putting together a class on composting.

OTHER

1. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale to accept the minutes of 8/2/05 with a typo correction and a the correction that Selectman Gale made the statement regarding the candidate for the Finance Committee and not Selectman Moore. Voted. Passed.
2. Selectman Fay read reminders. Pam L’Heureux reported that the Lake Association Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday at the Fire Station and reviewed what they will be discussing.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Moore to go into Executive Session at 8:15 pm for a Personnel Issue per Title 1 §405 (6) A. Will adjourn immediately following with no decisions being made this evening. Any decisions necessary will be addressed at the beginning of the next meeting.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll

APPROVED:

Date _____
