## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES November 29, 2005

**ATTENDING**: Robert Fay, Jon Gale, Cindy Moore, Dwayne Woodsome, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Jonathan Raymond, David Benton, Don Day, Jim Carll, Eleanor Newton, Ray Davis, Fred Fay, Clint Andrews, Evan Grover, Roland Gendron, Ralph Bowley, Ed Stubbs, Larry Jacobsen and other citizens.

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

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

7:00 – David Benton addressed the board as Water District Trustee stating that they have a survey going out to the District customers. This is to determine if they qualify for a low interest loan for a new well and/or new pump station to expand the system. Asked that customers please complete this as it is very important that it be returned. This survey is being done by a private survey company and all information will be strictly confidential. Explained that in doing the line extension they have had to flush the new line a couple of times causing the water to be cloudy. Stated that this will go away in a couple of days.

7:15 – Jim Carll on behalf of the Historical Society requested that they be allowed to move the Deering School to the Taylor House property. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Moore to allow the Deering School to be moved to the Taylor property. Vote unanimous.

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- 1. Reported that copies of the Capital Plans are ready for the Selectmen and there is one copy available for public viewing. These will be going to the Finance Committee for their recommendations. Will then schedule a Public Hearing.
- 2. Budgets were due last Wednesday and will have notebooks for the Selectmen by next Tuesday. Discussed streamlining the budget process. Agreed to coordinate with the Finance Committee anyone they wish to meet with and do together.
- 3. Reported that the auditor has been in this week and still look at being done by the end of December.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Moore to schedule a Public Hearing for two weeks to amend the Parking Ordinance to include No Parking within 500' of the Transfer Station Entrance. Vote unanimous.
- 2. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to renew the Junkyard Permit for Ruth & Robert Jones. Vote unanimous.
- 3. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale to accept with regret the resignation of Joe Whitten from the Planning Board. Vote unanimous.
- 4. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale to close the Transfer Station at noon on Christmas Even and reopen on Wednesday at noon. Vote unanimous.
- 5. Discussed the request from Dana Morton that \$7,000 from the \$57,205 paid to the Town for inspections be transferred to the Water District for their inspection needs. Dave Benton stated that they were short from the beginning and are now scratching to get the money. The Water District has recommended that they go to all six towns for the funds and not take it all from Waterboro. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to deny the request. Vote unanimous.

6. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to allow the distribution of Christmas gifts through Town Hall. Vote unanimous.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale that the town tractor plow the Transfer Station for this winter season. Vote unanimous.
- 2. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to set Town Meeting for April 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>. Vote unanimous.
- 3. Agreed to schedule a meeting for January 4, 2006 with Selectmen, Conservation Commission and town attorney to discuss the land trust.
- 4. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale to have H. A. Stone do the fence work at the Transfer Station. Vote unanimous.
- 5. Selectman Fay stated that Dave Woodsome's mother is very ill so he is not in attendance this evening to report on the Transfer Station Committee. Did report that the snowmobile club clean up day was very successful. Discussed the trash being left in the woods.

#### HEARING OF DELEGATION

Evan Grover addressed the board and thanked the residents for voting on the pay per bag issues. Requested that the comments from town hall regarding confusion on the vote be held and also requested that they implement the new ordinance immediately. Nancy explained that they can not implement something without funding because if they should and attempt to gain funding at a town meeting and it be denied then the Board of Selectmen would be personally responsible to provide the funding. Evan stated that there is nothing in the charter or state law regarding funding.

#### **OTHER**

- Discussed allowing the Road Commissioner to sand private roads if icy in an emergency. Nancy stated
  that this has been done in the past on a case by case basis. Motion by Selectman Fay to make the Road
  Commissioner responsible to determine if it's an emergency. Motion failed due to lack of second.
  Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to bring back on December 6<sup>th</sup>.
  Vote unanimous.
- 2. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to accept the minutes of 11/15/05 as written. Vote unanimous.
- 3. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Fay to approve an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for the General Assistance request. Vote unanimous
- 4. Selectman Gale read the reminders.
- 5. Agreed to send a notice to the Public Safety Committee members reminding them of their meeting on December 12<sup>th</sup> and to also remind the Selectmen.
- 6. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to go into Executive Session per Title 1 §405 6 (F) to discuss General Assistance at 8:35 pm. Vote unanimous.
- 7. Motion by Selectman More and seconded by Selectman Gale to come out of Executive Session at 8:45 pm. Vote unanimous.
- 8. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to deny both applications for hardship abatement. Vote unanimous.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to adjourn at 8:54 pm. Vote unanimous.

# **SIGNED:**

Warrants for bills and payroll
1. Minutes of 11/15/05

- 2. Abatements
- 3. Junkyard Permit

APPROVED: Date	