SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES November 14, 2006

ATTENDING: Robert Fay, Dwayne Woodsome, Evan Grover, Jon Gale, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, David Lowe, Ralph & Barbara Bowley, Clint Andrews, Willis Lord, Dep. Loren Conger, Matt Bors, Mike & Lisa Bennett, TammyJo Girard, Pam L'Heureux and Scott & Janice Young.

Selectman Grover called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm with the pledge to the flag.

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 – Dep. Conger reported on his October calls for service. Stated that for the month of October there were 349 calls for service. Reported that the biggest thing was that working with DEA they shut down and confiscated a very large marijuana grow. Has continued following up on speeding complaints and is focusing on the areas of these complaints. Had eight complaints of vehicle burglaries. Still having a big problem with illegal dumpling. Stressed that if anyone has any questions or concerns to please call him. Discussed the prosecution rate for littering under the state statute. Dep. Conger explained that you need an eyewitness for prosecution. Also explained that there won't be any changes because of the election. Ralph questioned if he is responsible if he loses trash that he's picked up and Dep. Conger explained that if he is hauling he is responsible to contain his load. Willis questioned if a citizen sees someone dumping trash is that enough to prosecute. Dep. Conger requested that they get a description of the driver, description of the vehicle and plate number. Will just need a written statement from the witness but do not confront them. TammyJo addressed the litter ordinance. Reported that she spoke with ADA Pluto and by statute they have to prosecute but do need the evidence. Stated that the ADA did not see any benefits for a town our size going with an ordinance as we have no police dept. to enforce it. Would only be enforceable by our contract deputy who is only on duty 40 hours per week. Did state that we can recoup clean up costs through the statute and prosecution. Selectman Fay reported that TammyJo was elected Chair of the Public Safety Committee last evening.

7:15 – Chief Bors reported that the Fire Dept. received a donation of \$1,250 from WalMart which will go towards the purchase of an enclosed cargo trailer to go along with the cascade system that was donated from Maine Fire Training. Previously this year received a donation from Architectural Skylight which also was put towards this. Noted that he had presented a letter to the board a couple weeks ago regarding the PSAP/Dispatch and it detailed the need for per diem staffing. Stated that as the town is growing so are the calls for service. Stated that by losing the per diem staffing the response time will increase to 25 to 30 minutes instead of the unit leaving the station within 1 minute. Reported that over 70% of calls result in transport therefore taking the funding out of billing makes the most sense. TammyJo stated that she feels we would be doing a disservice to the town to not fund this. A 20-30 minute response could cost a life. Lisa reported that cardiac is about 60% of the calls then it is respiratory next. Selectman Gale questioned if they could find out who their students would be in time to get them trained. Chief Bors stated that they have no problem getting staffing by offering per diem. Lisa reported that she schedules a month in advance and the funding runs out in 14 weeks. Would need to know by the end of December. Chief Bors stated that the dispatch is mandatory. Also reported that he is the representative and TammyJo Girard the alternate to the PSAP group. Mike Bennett stated that when calling mutual aid the cost is \$275. Lisa stated that before per diem the cost was about \$6,000 per year for mutual aid. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to add this item to the agenda. Vote 4-0-0. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Fay to support the request for per diem and that it be funded out of rescue billing. Vote 4-0-0.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Reported that they have received a draft final audit report.

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- 2. Reported that they are working on getting the new budget figures in for reports. Julie will be making a couple more adjustments tomorrow but has been working very hard to get these reports.
- 3. Reported that she is ready to start meeting with dept. heads on their budget requests. Still on schedule to get the budgets to the Selectmen by December 12th. The deadline to go to the Finance Committee is December 20th.
- 4. Selectman Grover stated that the audit will go to the Finance Committee tomorrow and the board can vote on it next week. Nancy repeated that this is only a draft and there still could be some changes;.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussed the request to amend the Parking & Traffic Ordinance. Tammy reported that the Deputy has requested that Fire Lanes and hydrants be marked "No Parking Tow Zone." Discussed tickets and reported that this would require someone to keep track of the tickets and accept payments. Also reviewing no parking within a certain distance of major intersections. Selectman Gale expressed concern about the bureaucracy involved with tickets. Agreed that a Tow Zone makes good sense. The Public Safety Committee will put something together and bring it back to the board. Selectman Woodsome suggested a workshop with the Selectmen, Public Safety Committee and the Deputy Sheriff. Reported that the funding deadline for dispatch is as soon as possible. Will put on the next agenda. Tammy suggested a workshop at the Public Safety Committee's January meeting. Will confirm at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to adopt the Southern Maine Pine Tree Zone Steering Committee Resolution. Vote 4-0-0.
- 2. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale to table the litter ordinance until some point in the future. Selectman Grover stated that they should charge for cleanup. Nancy stated that we do that now when we can find who did the littering.
- 3. Clint reported on the figures he has received for the well, septic and power at the Transfer Station. Received the following prices for the well: Woodsome Well Drilling - \$3,700.00, Yankee - \$3,995.00, and D & M - \$3,350.00. Septic will be done using town equipment and materials for a cost of \$3,560.00 which is for a 1,000 gal. subsurface waste disposal system that will be installed with 2 concrete chamb4ers so that it can be driven over. Central Maine Power has quoted \$5,881.49 to relocate the overhead power and \$7,008.78 to remove the overhead and install underground. These prices are only going to the panel which we install. If we go with underground will need to put in a concrete pad. Clint suggested that the electrical work be bid out. Stated that both Central Maine and electricians he has talked with advise going with unde4rground. Clint suggested holding a pre-bid meeting for the electrical work and can only bid if they attend the meeting. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Fay that Clint and Nancy continue to work on the 4electrical and that we spend up to \$7,000 on the well and septic. Selectman Grover requested 3 prices on the tank and chambers. Selectman Gale stated that he would prefer to do this with two separate motions. Selectmen Woodsome and Fay withdrew their previous motion and seconded. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale that D & M be awarded the bid for the well at the prices quoted. Vote 3-0-1 with Selectman Grover abstaining. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Fay that the septic be put in under Clint's direction using town equipment and materials and not to exceed \$3,560.00. Vote 3-0-1 with Selectman Grover abstaining. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Fay that Clint be authorized to get the pad poured if possible. Clint explained that they will only need the pad if going with underground so should get the bids first. Motion and second withdrawn. Clint & Nancy will schedule the pre-bid meeting tomorrow.
- 4. Will schedule the bidders meeting for the work on Town Hall for 2 weeks out.

OTHER

- 1. Janice Young reported that the Finance Committee has not met since the last Selectmen's Meeting so nothing to report. Will be meeting tomorrow so should have something to report next week.
- 2. Transfer Station Committee not met since the last Selectmen's Meeting so nothing to report.
- 3. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale to sign the warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 4-0-0.
- 4. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to accept the minutes of 11/7/06 as written. Vote 4-0-0.
- 5. Selectman Fay stated that if the administrator needs help she shall come to the Selectmen and the entire board will decide. Stated that no individual Selectman should be getting involved in the Administrator's duties and that you need a majority vote of the board when representing the board. Selectman Gale stated that he feels they need a workshop with Maine Municipal Association on these very issues.
- 6. Scott Young questioned where we are with the Town Planner. Will put on next weeks agenda.
- 7. Selectman Woodsome read the reminders.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Fay to adjourn at 9 p.m. Vote 4-0-0.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll:

- 1. Minutes of 11/7/06
- 2. Abatements
- 3. Concealed weapon application

APPROVED:

Date _____

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