

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
July 1, 2008

Selectman Abbott opened up the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to go into executive session per M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) Labor negotiations – Contract with Assessing Agent at 6:34 p.m. Voted Passed. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to come out of Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. Voted Passed.

PRESENT: TammyJo Girard, Dennis Abbott, Evan Grover, Cindy Moore, Jon Gale, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Dave Lowe, Frank Allen, Bob Gobeil, Clint Andrews, Kelsey Brimmer, Ron Perro and Kerry Thorne.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Selectman Abbott with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Abbott announced that there was an executive session earlier regarding contract negotiations with the assessing agent.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Reported that the new web-site is in effect beginning today.
2. Reported that we have received the money from the safety grant which bought the three ergonomic chairs.
3. Reported that the end of year process is complete and went very smoothly. All there is to do now is run the reports for the audit.
4. Reported that the approved amounts have been input and reminded that we will be doing accruals only through the end of this month.
5. Reported that the furnace in the old building has been cleaned and turned off.
6. Had part of the wiring completed for the air exchanger which should reduce oil consumption by 30%. Discussed looking into Efficiency Maine for the improvements.
7. Reported on a memo received by Jerry from Maine Revenue Service regarding the April 1st cut-off. The state has come up with a new form to be signed by both buyer & seller informing that if taxes are not paid the lien will be in the sellers name but if a foreclosure is done it will be against the buyer.
8. Discussed the tax title property. Selectman Girard would like to see those properties flagged that have made previous payment arrangements and not followed through.

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1. Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. No reports.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Grover to re-elect Dennis Abbott as Chairman for the ensuing year. Vote 4-0-1 with Selectman Abbott abstaining.
2. Item requesting a condemnation order removed from the agenda by the Code Enforcement Officer.
3. Agreed to move forward with the Public Hearing on the Planning Board fees excluding parking area and schedule for July 22nd at 7pm.

4. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Moore to accept the Treasurer's Disbursement. Vote 5-0-0.
5. Discussed looking at Charter changes which could be done by referendum in November. Stated that there has been a change in the law that allows a vote on forming a charter commission in November and the election of it's members at a later date. Selectman Abbott stated that there are some things that could be done by referendum. Discussed holding a workshop to discuss this further. Selectman Grover questioned how you can change the charter by referendum and Nancy explained that if they are minor changes you can do it as long as it doesn't change the structure of the government. Will identify the changes then send to the attorney for a determination on which can go to referendum vote and which require the formation of a charter commission. Scheduled workshop for July 15th at 6 pm.
6. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to close the Transfer Station July 4th. Vote 5-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Grover and seconded by Selectman Moore to table the vote on the Assessor's Maintenance Agreement until next week. Vote 5-0-0.
2. Selectman Gale noted that he had handed out something that Tom Ursia had developed on the business awards and requested that it be put on the July 15th meeting for acceptance.
3. Selectman Abbott stated that the board last week at the request of the Town Clerk voted to hold an election today for the Water District. Then found that the District needed to reconvene to vote on this. Received a letter today from the Trustees requesting that a vote to scheduled. Stated that they have a Charter which is very specific on how this is handled. Nancy stated that the Trustee's need to present the warrant for their elections. Kerry will schedule the election. Felt they need to have a session with the trustees. Need to also revisit the agreement between the town and the water district. Discussed holding the vote at the town hall and also discussed the process. Motion by Selectman Grover and seconded by Selectman Moore to hold on July 21st 2 – 8 pm. Vote 5-0-0. Selectman Gale will handle moving the 12 Town Group to another location,. Nancy will send a letter to the trustees and also has an updated supplement to the agreement which she will provide them to review.

OTHER

1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Grover to sign the warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 5-0-0.
2. Motion by Selectman Grover and seconded by Selectman Moore to accept the minutes of 6/24/08 as written. Vote 4-0-1 with Selectman Gale abstaining.
3. Selectman Grover announced that there will be free oil changes for single Moms by Lakeside Community Church.
4. Selectman Abbott read reminders.

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Discuss fire vehicles – workshop at 6:30
2. Discuss/vote to cancel Council Meetings for the summer
3. Assessing Maintenance agreement
4. Municipal building energy strategy
5. Fuel assistance.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Grover to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll

1. Minutes of 6/24/08
2. Appointment Papers

APPROVED:

Date: _____
