

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

February 23, 2010

PRESENT: TammyJo Girard, Gordon Littlefield, Dennis Abbott, Nancy Brandt, Dave Lowe, Tina Cote, Frank Allen and Tom Ursia.

Meeting opened by Selectman Abbott at 6:01 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to add to the agenda to discuss/vote to sign legislative letter. Vote 4-0-0. Explained that the letter from the 12 Town Group will be sent to every state representative and every state senator. Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to sign the letter. Vote 4-0-0.

Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to go into Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A) for Contract Negotiations at 6:09 p.m. Vote 4-0-0.

Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to come out of Executive Session at 6:26 p.m. Vote 4-0-0.

Meeting reconvened at 6:32 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to approve the contract with Animal Emergency Clinic. Selectman Littlefield reported that he did check and there is no one more local to provide this service. Vote 4-0-0.
2. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to add item 2 under Old Business, Contract with Town Planner. Vote 4-0-0. Motion by Selectman Gale to approve the contract as written between the town and town planner. Selectman Girard noted that it has not gone for legal review. Motion withdrawn. Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Girard to move the Town Planners contract for review with the town attorney prior to making a formal decision. Vote 4-0-0. Tina questioned if they plan to have contracts with all employees and Selectman Abbott responded that they do not, for one they have a collective bargaining agreement with some of the employees.

OTHER

1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to sign warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 4-0-0.
2. Noted that there were a couple errors within the minutes of 2/16/10, will postpone until next week and have them corrected.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

Tina Cote stated that she was hoping the Finance Committee would get the wording of the articles prior to making their recommendations and they have to have the recommendations to the Board of Selectmen by March 9th. Selectman Girard explained that the board has not voted on the budget yet, the recommendations are for the Selectmen and when it is all completed and voted on will be given back to the Finance Committee for their recommendations. The recommendations made on the budget now are not necessarily the recommendations on the articles. Selectman Girard also stated that the goal is to be done by April 13th. Nancy stated that per the Charter the warrant doesn't close until 30 days before town meeting. Tina also stated that the budget submitted by one department was not the one received from the Selectmen. It was explained that the person submitting it is not a department head and their budget has always been done by the Selectmen. Tina stated that she has also requested a copy of a bill and Selectman Abbott stated that there is no problem with her having a copy of a bill as it is public information.

PENDING DECISIONS

- 1. Committee Involvement
- 2. Training Proposal – Next weeks agenda
- 3. Staff training – Next weeks agenda
- 4. Transfer Station Committee recommendation to the board – Next weeks agenda
- 5. Comprehensive Plan

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Staff training
- 2. Training Proposal
- 3. Transfer Station recommendation to board
- 4. Town Planner Contract
- 5. Discuss signs proposed by EDC
- 6. Safe Routes to School Grant
- 7. Map 41 Lot 13 – update on misuse of town property

SIGNED:

- 1. Warrants for bills & payroll
- 2. Animal Emergency Contract

Opened workshop on the Comprehensive Plan at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Vote 4-0-0.

APPROVED:

Date: _____
