

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

May 18, 2010

PRESENT: TammyJo Girard, Gordon Littlefield, Dennis Abbott, Cindy Moore, Jon Gale, Pam Witman, David Lowe, Jack Seery, Brigit McCallum, Dave Woodsome, Rep. Wagner, Frank Allen & Clint Andrews.

Meeting opened by Selectman Abbott at 6:00 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Selectman Abbott announced that June 8th will be the Municipal Election, Sate Election and R.S.U. 57 Budget Vote as well as three (3) referendum questions. Saturday June 12th will be the Annual Town Meeting beginning at 10 am at the Middle School.

APPOINTMENTS

6:00 – Opened Public Hearing on referendum questions. See attached. Question 1 – Selectman Abbott explained that this is money left over from the bond to do the work on the West Road and would be used as seed money for a grant for Safe Routes to School and for work on Deering Ridge Road. Selectman Girard explained the plan for the sidewalks. Selectman Gale explained that the Selectmen are in favor of this and the Finance Committee is not. Selectman Girard explained that if it fails it will only make a few pennies difference in the tax bill and if it passes it makes no difference because already making the payment. Question 2 – Explained that the previous Charter Commission was in 2002 with the Charter voted in at town meeting 2003 and should be reviewed every 10 years. Jack stated that he feels it's a very important questions and asked the Selectmen to articulate why we need a Charter Commission. Jon explained that a few issues are whether to continue with town meeting or vote by referendum, the role of the Finance Committee and should they be elected instead of appointed, should we continue with five (5) Selectmen? Selectman Abbott explained that the Selectmen can make minor changes but there are some administrative things that the board feels are housekeeping but their hands are tied through the Charter. Question 3 – Selectman Abbott explained that this is designed to change behavior and increase recycling. Selectman Gale stated that the fairness is that those who misuse the Transfer Station and don't recycling are being paid for by those who do recycling. Selectman Girard stated that they have been educating on recycling for some time and now it's time to move forward. Selectman Abbott assured that the board will not raise the prices immediately, will probably be a year or two before they see how things are working. The consequences are that the price of running the Transfer Station will continue to escalate translating into your taxes or services will have to be trimmed back. Selectman Gale explained that this years budget is based on this passing so if it fails they will have to cut back or increase fees. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to close the public hearing at 6:45 p.m.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

1. Rep. Wagner provided information on medical marijuana dispensaries and explained that they can limit the number of dispensaries. York County is one of eight districts and explained the criteria for a dispensary which includes proximity to a hospital, police services etc. Also provided copies of moratoriums passed by other communities for reference. Listed the eligible conditions and discussed the application. Rep. Wagner did explain that he is not sure when DHS will announce where these will be located. Selectman Gale thanked Rep. Wagner for all his work. Rep. Wagner stated that he has still not heard back from the Attorney General.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Selectman Gale reported on the 12 Town Group meeting last night. They discussed Sanford Communications Center and the new facility should be open mid-July, discussed the minor collector
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roads (have asked the state to bond \$300,000,000 to bring roads up before turning over to towns), tax veto and Charter Commission vote coming up for the County. Rep. Wagner stated that you can go to the Secretary of States web-site for information on the new tax code.

COMMITTEE REPORT'S

Brigit reported that there will be an Open House this week at the Library to celebrate all the changes that have taken place in the last few months. There will be a book sale on Saturday 9 to 1 in the basement meeting room. Reported that Dep. Sanborn has tracked down a couple of patrons and gotten the books back but do have a problem with people not returning material and perhaps in the future may be coming back to see what the board would support in terms of getting materials back. Jack reported that SIS has pledged \$10,000 to the new library over the next five (5) years.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Opened insurance bids as follows: MMA - \$29,465 and Paquin & Carroll - \$32,652. Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Moore to accept the bids and forward to Nancy to make sure they are equitable. Vote 5-0-0. Will award next week.
2. Discussed the Agreement & Consent of Lessor for Mariner Tower and questioned who owns the lease, us or the Land Trust. Will check with the attorney and bring back next week.
3. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to accept the new road name, Taylor Lane on the recommendation of the 911 coordinator and Fire Chief. Vote 5-0-0. Discussed who pays for signs on private roads. Felt they need to establish a policy. Will find any past votes and discussions and add private road signs to next weeks agenda.
4. Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Gale to approve the liquor license renewal for 199 Sokokis. Vote 5-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Carried discussion of Map 41 Lot 13 to next week.

OTHER

1. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to sign warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 5-0-0.
2. Carried forward minutes to next week.
3. Selectman Girard reminded of the open house 10-12 on Saturday at the grange hall.
4. Selectman Abbott read reminders

Pending Decisions

1. Staff Training
2. Training Policy

Action Items

1. Note to attorney regarding Mariner Tower
2. Find questions for school meeting

Agenda

1. Old Business – Map 41 Lot 13
2. Award insurance bid
3. Consent of Lessor with Mariner Tower

SIGNED:

1. Warrants for bills & payroll

2. 199 Sokokis Liquor License Renewal
3. R.S.U. 57 Warrant
4. homestead Reimbursement Application
5. Abatement

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

APPROVED:


Date: _____

Also to decide the following referendum questions.

Financial Statement relating to Question 1: The issuance of bonds by the Town is one of the ways in which the town borrows money for certain purposes. The following is a summary of the bonded indebtedness of the Town as of the date of this warrant:

Bonds Now Outstanding and Unpaid	\$565,019.00	
Interest to be repaid on Outstanding Bonds	\$ 66,143.00	
Total to be repaid on Bonds Outstanding	\$631,162.00	
Additional Principal amount of Bonds authorized but not yet issued		-0-
Total Additional Bonds to be issued if Question 1 is approved by Voter		-0-
Estimate of Potential New Interest on such additional bonds		-0-
Total additional bonds to be issued and estimated interest if approved by voters:		-0-

When money is borrowed by issuing bonds, the Town must repay not only the principal amount of the bonds but also interest on the bonds. The amount of interest to be paid will vary depending upon the rate of interest and the years to maturity at the time of issue. The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the estimates made of the costs involved, including varying interest rates, the estimated cost of interest on the bond amount to be issued and the total cost of principal and interest to be paid at maturity.



Julie T. Giles, Treasurer
Town of Waterboro

Question 1:

To see if the town will vote to reallocate, appropriate and expend \$84,475.94 of the proceeds, and earnings thereon, of the \$200,000.00 General Obligation Bonds of the Town issued on May 28, 2009, to pay a portion of costs (a) The Safe Routes to Schools Project consisting of infrastructure improvements inclusive of sidewalk improvements along roads located within 2 miles of the Middle and Elementary Schools in the Town, and/or (b) engineering of improvements to Deering Ridge Road?

Note: The \$200,000.00 in General Obligation Bonds issued on May 29, 2009 pursuant to a Town Meeting authorization on September 9, 2009 (the "2009 Bonds") were issued to pay for costs of improvements to West Road. The improvements to West Road cost less than anticipated due to cost savings resulting from due-diligence of on site project management, and thus there is now \$84,475.94 in excess or unallocated proceeds of the 2009 Bonds. The 2009 Bonds are payable as follows:

Due November 1	Principal Installment	Interest Rate
2010	\$40,000.00	5.80%
2011	\$40,000.00	5.346%
2012	\$40,000.00	2.080%
2013	\$40,000.00	2.080%
2014	\$40,000.00	2.080%

This Article, if approved, would reallocate the above described excess proceeds of the 2009 Bonds and earnings thereon to pay a portion of the costs of the new Safe Routes to Schools Project and Deering Ridge Road engineering projects described above. If this Article is not approved, the excess bond proceeds of the 2009 Bond and earnings thereon will be used to pay debt service on the 2009 Bond.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Ought to pass.

Finance Committee recommendation: Ought not to pass.

Question 2:

Shall a Charter Commission be established for the purpose of revising the Municipal Charter or establishing a New Municipal Charter.

Board of Selectmen recommend: Ought to pass.

Question 3:

Would you favor an equitable Recycling/Waste Management system that credits each household and business with 52 tags per year to be used for the disposal of household waste at the Transfer Station subsequent tags to be sold for \$1.00 each?

Board of Selectmen recommend: Ought to pass.