

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

January 4, 2011

PRESENT: Gordon Littlefield, TammyJo Girard, Nancy Brandt, Jon Gale, David Woodsome, Pam Witman, David Lowe, Chief Matt Bors, Pam L'Heureux, Fred Fay, Jon Tufts, Kurt Clason, Patti Berry, Tom Ursia and Rep. Libby.

Opened meeting at 6:02 p.m. by Selectman Girard with Pledge of Allegiance.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Reported that she received an email from Whipps and the price to repair the gates is \$4,870.
2. Reported that they poured the floor at the Transfer Station yesterday and Owens did an inspection so we will be receiving a report. Also reported that the new compactor is due in next week.
3. Reported that Saturday they will be holding job interviews for the Town Clerk position.
4. Busy working on budgets.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

1. Selectman Girard thanked the community for all the help with Christmas this year. We helped 104 children who otherwise wouldn't have a Christmas. Also thanked Santa's Little Helper as they picked up the families that the town was not able to do.
2. Selectman Girard reported that they will be holding interviews for Town Clerk this weekend and thanked Brenda and Sharon for all their help in getting through this time without a Town Clerk. Also thanked the residents for their patience and understanding while we were short staffed.
3. Selectman Littlefield reported that he met with the six (6) towns of R.S.U. 57 and the outlook doesn't look favorable for a tax reduction, looking at a substantial tax increase. Tentatively would like all Selectmen of all six (6) towns to meet on January 25th at Central Station at 5 pm with the Superintendent for discussion on the budget. This meeting will be open to the public.
4. Selectman Gale reported that Howe & Howe Technologies have designed a wheelchair that will get a disabled person into the woods to hunt and fish and are constructing and selling this for no profit. Reported that they gave the first one constructed away but they cost \$45,000 each to build. They are also looking at offering the use of their land in Lebanon for people to use these to go hunting and fishing. Noted that there was an article in the Portland Press Herald on this and he is very proud to have them part of our community. Selectman Littlefield reported that they do have videos of this on Facebook.
5. Selectman Woodsome questioned where we are with the work on Mast Camp Road and Fred reported that it should be done in the next month.

APPOINTMENT

6:15 pm – Joseph Warren requested a Consent Agreement on Map 5 Lot 47D. Stated that they had done the measurements and were in compliance but thought that when the excavator came in to dig the foundation he moved the pins and put them back in the wrong location so they are 18 inches to close to the road.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning Board – Kurt reported that it has been a quiet quarter. Reviewed what they have been doing and that they are down one member.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Jon reported that they have had one meeting in the last year and it was an Administrative Appeal which was denied.

Town Planner – Report attached. Noted that on Friday, January 7th 6 to 9 pm at Massabesic Middle School will be another visioning session.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

Rep. Libby reported that they voted on joint rules and committees. Did condense down to fifteen (15) committees from sixteen (16). The Business and Labor Committees combined into Labor, Commerce & Development Committee. If anyone would like a weekly update from the legislature contact Rep. Libby and he will hook up your email. They have not made committee assignments yet. To contact Rep. Libby 247-6461 (home), email – repaaron.libby@legislator.maine.gov or web-site – Libbyforliberty.com.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale to approve the Consent Agreement with a penalty of \$1.00. Vote 4-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussed the Fire Dept. and Public Works sharing a vehicle and Tom explained that because of the details involved he would like each to present their specific needs. Fred stated that it is time the Highway Dept. have their own vehicle. Looking for a one ton with sander, plow and dump body. Cost would be approximately \$44,000 and could be paid for with plowing the municipal parking lots. Chief Bors explained that he agrees it's time for the highway dept. to have a vehicle but they have two entirely different applications. A fire truck would be set up very differently than highway use. Have tried for grants, looked at surplus across the country and nothing has worked out. Fire Dept. has been borrowing a vehicle but that option is gone.
2. Discussed the repairs needed to the town tractor. Fred explained that the front end needs to be repaired. The term ends in August on the lease/purchase agreement and it's ours. Nancy stated that Clint is waiting for a quote on the repairs to the Case at the Transfer Station. Fred stated that when paid for could turn over to the Transfer Station and lease new for the roads. Will call the rep. of Milton Cat and go over the wheels. Won't need any buckets for a new tractor. Selectman Girard stated that they need some numbers for the budget.

OTHER

1. Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Gale to sign the warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 4-0-0.
2. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to accept the minutes of 12/21/10 as written. Vote 4-0-0. Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Gale to accept the minutes of 12/28/10 as written. Vote 3-0-0 with Selectman Woodsome abstaining as he was not present.
3. Selectman Girard read reminders.

Pending Decisions

1. Medical Marijuana Ordinance – Selectman Girard will check to see where Planning Board is with this.
2. Public Service Announcements

Action Items

1. Fred will get the figures for a new tractor

Agenda

1. Workshop with Neil Courtney at 5:15
2. Discuss the January 25th meeting with R.S.U. 57 towns.

3. Executive Session at 5:00
4. Update on Mast Camp Road and Dam update by Town Administrator
5. Update on committee self-evaluation for January 18th

Pam L'Heureux reported that FEMA map updating regarding flood maps will be held January 20th at Central Station at 6:30 pm

Scheduled budget workshops for January 13th 5 to 8 pm and January 22nd 8:30 to Noon.

Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale at 7:50 p.m. Vote 5-0-0. Motion by Selectman Abbott and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to come out of Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Vote 4-0-0.

SIGNED:

1. Warrants for bills & payroll
2. Minutes of 12/21/10 & 12/28/10

APPROVED:

Date: _____
