

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
March 15, 2011

PRESENT: Dennis Abbott, Gordon Littlefield, TammyJo Girard, Jon Gale, David Woodsome, Pam Witman, David Lowe, Pam L'Heureux, Chief Bors, Dep. Chief Bennett, Rep. Libby, Lucas Beaubien, Sheriff Ouellette, Dave Benton, Doug Foglio, Owens McCullough and Clint Andrews.

Selectman Girard opened meeting with pledge at 6:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Girard offered condolences to Ruth Blake who lost her mother over the weekend and to Nancy Brandt who lost her aunt also this weekend.

Selectman Girard sent well wishes to Pete our Maintenance person who had some surgery last week and is home driving his wife crazy.

Selectman Girard announced that Waterboro Recreation will hold an Art Show on 3/22 from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the rec room. Invited everyone to come and check out the amazing work done by the sixteen students that attended our second session. Spring session will begin next month.

APPOINTMENTS

6:00 – Sheriff Ouellette addressed the board regarding the COPS Grant. Explained that this grant is different than the first one, it picks up 100% of salary and benefits for the first three (3) years. Start up cost would be about \$33,000 but he would be willing to spread that over the first three (3) years so adding administration costs would be a total of \$17,988 per year then the 4th year the town that would go away and would pick up the cost of salary and benefits so would be approximately what we are paying now, around \$74,000. Stated that he understands money is tight but calls for service are way up. Selectman Littlefield questioned if calls answered by state police are included in the total calls for service and Sheriff Ouellette explained that they don't rotate service with them in Waterboro so the numbers are just for the Sheriffs Dept. but cover about 90%. Waterboro runs about three (3) times higher than the next highest town. Sheriff Ouellette stated that Waterboro has more people in it than at least five (5) other towns that have organized police depts. Discussed sharing with another town. There is only one (1) position and will be meeting with seven (7) other towns so will be on a first come first served basis. Selectmen Girard stated that they will have to discuss this and decide if they want to move forward and put on the town meeting warrant.

6:15 – Owens McCullough of Sebago Technics stated that they had to raise the grade and extend out a little. There will be a paved ramp and stated that there was always going to be a ramp. Selectman Woodsome stated that he thought people would be able to drive up to it and not have to walk up a ramp to get to it and that it's not acceptable to him. Owens stated that they are working with the grades and conditions that we have out there. Selectman Abbott felt they are building a ramp to accommodate one (1) truck. Clint explained that they need to be able to dump a silver bullet too. Selectman Girard stated that it seems like we're making it more difficult for the residents instead of easier. Discussed a way for residents to be able to drive up to it as well as the ramp for trucks. Selectman Abbott suggested a meeting at the Transfer Station and come up with a solution. Will meet at 8 am on Saturday.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

Rep. Libby reported that Capital For A Day will be in Eliot on Friday at 11:30 with the Town Hall Meeting at Thornton Academy at 6 pm. Reported on state debt. Stated that nothing has passed yet on the governor's proposed budget. Discussed the changes to COLA.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

1. Selectman Gale reported that FOWPL met and officially voted to discontinue the project, the next step is to return the money to donors. The next meeting is to look at the gala/auction. The last couple of years it was pretty successful and just need to see if they want to continue that.
2. Selectman Gale reported that he job shadowed a couple days at the Fire Dept. and was very impressed with the equipment we have. Thanked Lisa, Pete, Matt & Mike for the time they spent with him.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Dept. – Chief Bors reported that they have been giving information to Dave Lowe to get on the website, have hosted a variety of meetings at the fire station, busy with emergency responses; 6 building fires, 28 emergency medical emergency/rescue calls, vehicle/accident general clean up two, general service calls - 1, good intent call 1 for a total of 38 incident responses so far this month. This coming week participating with Massabesic High School resource officer with the student enrichment program will have a crew there cutting vehicles apart a demonstration simulating motor vehicle accident. Have three (3) members going to Emmitsburg to attend leadership program. Later this month along with Hollis Fire Dept. a basic fire school, a 75 hour course. Spaghetti Supper on April 9th and is a benefit supper for Elias Smith, former Fire Chief who has been ill fighting cancer for some time. Looking at a cistern ordinance. Discussed the concerns surrounding his use of the Chief's vehicle. Selectman Gale stated that you use a town vehicle to do town business. Matt explained this it is his toolbox and if you get a call and don't have it you don't necessarily have all your tools.

EMA Director – Report attached. Also reported that the State Planning Office is waiting for the board to sign off on the Risk maps. Said she spoke with Patti and she feels they are fine but we have to let the state planning office know by Friday if we accept them.

NEW BUSINESS

1. No discussion.
2. Discussed the request to return property located in Lake Arrowhead to the Town of Waterboro. Selectman Abbott reported that the taxes are paid up to date. Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Gale to refer to the town attorney to find out what implications to the town. Selectman Woodsome was not sure we need to spend money on an attorney for this. Vote 0-5. Motion fails. Motion by Selectman Abbott and seconded by Selectman Gale to not accept the properties back. Vote 5-0-0. Motion passes.
3. Motion by Selectman Abbott and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to accept Sandy Binette's resignation with regret. Vote 5-0-0.
4. Scheduled budget workshop for Wednesday, March 23rd at 5:00.
5. Clint explained that Dayton is doing away with their Transfer Station and going with door to door pickup and are looking for a place to send their people with demotion etc. They would buy stickers, pay for the debris and the town would pay a service fee. Selectman Abbott stated that we should only do this if there is a benefit to the town. Clint stated that it gives us leverage when it comes to grants if we are a regional facility. Clint will work up actual cost and discuss further at the workshop on March 29th.
6. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to move up so they can go view the reclaiming hot box that Doug brought before dark. Vote 5-0-0. Doug explained that this is an asphalt reprocessor. Would take the old sanders sitting at the Public Works garage in trade and allow us \$5,000. With this for every ton of new asphalt would be about 1/3 the cost as you would mix one ton of new with 2 tons of old that you had cut out of the road and screened. There is a tremendous amount of repair work that needs to be done and cold patch is not the answer. The life expectancy of asphalt is about three (3) times that of cold patch. Selectman

Girard questioned surplus and Doug stated that they should buy something good. Stated that Fairfield has a lease program and could let other towns use this. Felt there are lots of reasons to do this. Selectman Woodsome stated that he thinks that over time this would pay for itself. Selectman Abbott stated that he could not support this in a Special Town Meeting and that the annual is another discussion. Selectman Gale stated that he would also not support this in a special town meeting. Selectman Littlefield stated that he also is not in favor of this at a special town meeting. Dana Brown explained that this machine would be for patching and repairs but not for big jobs. Selectman Girard stated that we can discuss this for the June Town Meeting.

7. Discussed the request to purchase a lot from the town on Courtney Lane and Selectman Girard stated that they are not the only abutters and should give all abutters the opportunity. Need to do more research and will bring back next week.

OTHER

1. Motion by Selectman Abbott and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to sign the warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 5-0-0.
2. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to accept the minutes of 3/15/11 as written. Vote 5-0-0.
3. Selectman Girard read reminders.

Pending Decisions

1. Public Service Announcements
2. Performance Bonds
3. Committee self-evaluations

Action Items

1. Meet with Owens on Saturday
2. Send letter regarding Orchard Drive request
3. Dayton proposal from Clint in two (2) weeks
4. Pam to respond to request for lot on Courtney Lane that it is under consideration

Agenda

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to recess at 8:40 p.m and reconvene Saturday at 8 am at the Transfer Station. Vote 5-0-0.

Reconvened at 8 am on Saturday, March 19th with Gordon Littlefield, David Woodsome, Jon Gale, TammyJo Girard, Owens McCullough, Clint Andrews, Frank Allen, Lucas Beaubien and Charlie Brown present. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale to resume the meeting. Reviewed the site and discussed possible solutions. Owens will come back before the board in two weeks with a new plan and possible solutions. Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Gale to adjourn at 8:29 am. Voted. Passed.

SIGNED:

1. Warrants for bills & payroll
2. Minutes of 3/8/2011
3. Concealed weapon applications

APPROVED:

Date: _____
