# SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 17, 1998

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen. Attending: Willis Lord, Brenda Charland, Dale Witman, Patti Berry, Fred Fay, Bob Gobeil, Jason L'Heureux, Frank Allen, Brenda Huntress, Madeline Henley

Dale Witman calls meeting to order at 7:00 PM noting that this will be an abbreviated meeting due to the wake of Mrs. Otto Brandt this evening. Continuance of this meeting will be tomorrow at 10:00 AM to go over remaining issues.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

7:00 Public Hearing on application for liquor license from Peppercom Restaurant. There were no comments from the public. Willis motioned we grant the application for one year. Brenda seconded. Motion carries with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

7:05 Madeline Henley from Maine Municipal Association was present to discuss their Property & Casualty Pool Program and Worker's Compensation Fund. Ms. Henley presented Selectmen with information and steps required to obtain proper authority from the Town to join these programs and warrant articles for Town Meeting vote. She advised that a representative from MMA be present at Town Meeting to answer questions. Dale notes that this would broaden our pool of prospective bidders and motioned that the Board agree to enter these two warrant articles for Town Meeting. Willis seconded. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0-0.

7:25 Fred Fay is present to discuss Morton Salt quote. Morton originally quoted \$30.53 delivered. We opted for Shurtleff's quote of \$29.49 delivered, and now Morton comes in with an adjusted price quote of \$28.91 delivered. Brenda Charland expresses concern over repeatedly making decisions on vendors and then having to reconsider. Willis notes that with a savings of \$.58/ton and possibly needing 1,000 more tons, this could result in \$580 in savings. Brenda motioned to authorize the Purchasing Agent and Road Commissioner to purchase commodities where they find cheapest. Willis seconded. Motion carries with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

At 7:45 Willis motioned to recess until tomorrow at 10:00 AM. Dale seconded. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

Dale opens the continuation of the November 17 Selectmen's Meeting at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, November 18. Attending: Willis Lord, Brenda Charland, Dale Witman, Brenda Huntress.

Discussion begins at this time regarding the Code Enforcement Office proposed new hours. Brenda Charland states that she is opposed to changing office hours due to day care problems, noting that this should not be a factor and that the hours of that office are set for the townspeople only. There is discussion that the proposed new hours might be confusing for townspeople. It is agreed that further input is needed from Lisa and Steve. Dale asks Brenda Huntress to set up an appointment with Lisa and Steve and notify them of the date and time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Dale motions to approve November 3 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes. Willis seconds. Motion carries with a vote of 3-0-0.
- 2. Brenda Charland motions to approve November 10 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes. Willis seconds. Motion carries with a vote of 3-0-0.
- 3. Signatures on the II/IO/98 warrant were discussed. It was noted that Brenda hadn't signed. Brenda stated that the current procedures for billing seem lax in that we have no backup information on some bills with no detail as to what work has actually been performed. Willis states that this is micromanagement and that the Road Commissioner as an elected official should be able to use his appropriated budget as he sees fit. Brenda suggests that a simple worksheet with detail of work performed would be sufficient. Dale states that Fred needs to be included in this discussion. Brenda suggests a workshop for all six people. Dale states that Patti and Fred need to meet with Dianne noting that money must be prorated among the various accounts for this year.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. October 20 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes were discussed. Brenda motions that the minutes of today's meeting show that there was an error in the October 20 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes and to state that she entered the October 20 meeting late because she was representing this board at the York County Jail Advisory Committee Meeting. Dale seconded. Vote 3-0-0 in favor.
- 2. In regard to procedures for borrowed vehicles for use at the dump, Dales states that the dump policy will be adhered to until this Board amends it.

#### **OTHER**

I. Grinding of stumps at the dump is discussed and it is agreed that the end of today is the cutoff. Evaluation of this process will be done with consideration of costs, environmental soundness, and of having a marketable product left with grinding versus burning. Discussion of dump revenues is discussed. Willis states that the Town should be charging \$12 as opposed to \$7 for large stumps. Dale states last year we brought in \$7,000 in dump fees. Dale states that we need to get reply from Blow Brothers or Stevens Hauling in regard to getting shingle and sheet rock containers implemented. This

- would give us a price to go on for concrete containers. Dale also notes that the Dump meeting needs to be rescheduled for first week of December.
- 2. Dale states that the Town has a \$9,000 tax abatement to give to CMP as a result of a double billing error by our previous assessor.
- 3. Dale states he has requested that Patti give each Selectmen spreadsheets for budget planning.
- 4. Brenda comments on the letter we received from Sharon Lane commending the Fire Department on the care and treatment she received both during and in follow up to her recent need for emergency rescue service. Brenda would like to have a reply sent to Sharon thanking her for her letter.
- 5. Request for hardship abatement was tabled until next week.

## SIGNED

The Board signed the Warrant for bills and payroll.

They also signed:

1. Minutes from the November 3rd Selectmen's Meeting.

**ADJOURNED** 

The Board adjourned at 10:50 AM.

**APPROVED** 

Date: //

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