

## **SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**

### **February 6, 2001**

**PRESENT:** Willis Lord, Bob Fay, Brenda Charland, and Nancy Brandt.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Motion by Brenda to approve the minutes of 1/23 as presented and seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

7:00 P.M. – Paulette Davis of West Shore Rd. addressed the board with regard to a petition she has worked on to have work done on West Shore Road. Brenda stated that this is a town road not a lake road and needs more than repaving, there is no road to pave. Suggested that the request be changed to request a sum of money for engineering or at least a study to determine whether it needs something as simple as ditching or a total reconstruction. Discussed having the road review committee make a recommendation for the next annual town meeting. Moved by Bob that Paulett and Brenda get together and write an article.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discussed pay per bag. Will have a cost based on what Falmouth pays as they are approximately the same size as Waterboro. Article will be on the town meeting warrant for discussion.
2. Brenda discussed Scott Maddocks who is a college student looking for an internship as he is working towards his masters degree. Stated that he has been reading the forum regarding the EMT/Paramedic. He has asked if he could come in and do a study then come back with a recommendation. Brenda received a message from him stating that he believes tonight's meeting was cancelled. Requested to carry over to next week unless he does show up later in the meeting. Scott arrived and presented a copy of his resume. Explained that he is and has been a paramedic for the last ten years and has been through a similar situation in York while employed there. As an outsider would be able to give some positive suggestions while being unbiased. Nancy to set up a meeting with he and the safety committee.
3. Motion by Bob to appoint a committee to be made up of employees and citizens to review the personnel policy and report back to the Selectmen with suggestions of changes by July 2001. Suggest Brenda Charland, Nancy Brandt, Patti Berry, Deb Wentworth, Paul L'Heureux, Don Mondor and Bob Gobeil to serve on this committee. Seconded by Brenda. Vote 3-0-0.
4. Motion by Bob to appoint a hiring panel to participate in interviews of prospective town employees to make sure all questions get asked. To be appointed until the end of the fiscal year and participate in the hiring of all town employees. Suggested Brenda Edgerly, Doug Foglio, Dave Fedrizzi, Larry Jacobsen, Shawn Shoemaker, Nancy Brandt and the Selectmen for this committee. Seconded by Brenda. Vote 3-0-0.
5. Discussed forming a town business association. Doug Foglio had made this suggestion. Bob stated that it wouldn't really be a town group but with the blessing of the other selectmen he would be willing to get it started. Would need town hall for one evening then have them elect officers and go out on their own. Discussed getting a list of businesses in town. Willis and Brenda agreed he should move ahead.
6. Discussed the letter from Rich Baker, DEP. Willis suggested that there should be a workshop with Rich Baker and the Selectmen, CEO, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals so Rich can explain what needs to be done to adhere to the law. Letter stated that the Planning

Board is not upholding the 30% rule correctly. Motion by Willis and seconded by Bob to move forward on planning this workshop. Vote 3-0-0.

7. Motion by Brenda to make the Finance Committee a year round committee. Suggested that they meet once a month with the Selectmen and the Treasurer. Seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0.
8. Discussed the comprehensive plan update. Motion by Bob to schedule a meeting. Brenda felt they should advertise and open it up again. Will schedule for Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Bob stated that he does not believe the original group had specific members, it was open to all who wanted to participate. Also stated that the Planning Board has tried to adhere to the comprehensive plan and even took articles to town meeting related to it and twice they were defeated. They did make the effort but the townspeople turned it down.
9. Motion by Bob and seconded by Brenda to reconsider the General Assistance for \$345.00. Vote 3-0-0.
10. Discussed naming the new road in front of the new fire station and it was suggested that it be named John Smith Road. Motion by Bob and seconded by Brenda that it be named John Smith Road. Vote 3-0-0.
11. Discussed making an area to dump removed snow. Suggested possibly at the town pit. Need to look at state regulations. Also need to find out where it is being dumped now. Will have the CEO and Road Commissioner look into this.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Discussed the fact that the overlay in zoning will be on the town meeting warrant on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **SELECTMEN'S ASSISTANT REPORT**

1. Reported that Bob Hunt can only give one day the week of March 19<sup>th</sup> and any other time will have to wait until after April 15<sup>th</sup>. Bob felt he could work with the new treasurer that one day and that would be very valuable.
2. Presented a notice regarding real estate information over the phone as written by the tax collector. Bob felt it should be run by the attorney. Motion by Brenda to implement the policy pending approval of the town attorney and seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0. Bob reported that Kathy has agreed to be first tier tax collector backup leaving Nancy as second tier.
3. Set date to meet with Ken Cole, Town Attorney as February 26<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.
4. Discussed the resident requirement for Habitat for Humanity. Their requirement is one year and all agreed.
5. Discussed the proposal from Sanford Institute for Savings. Bob Hunt has recommended not going with it. Brenda stated that Biddeford Savings Bank would also like to submit a proposal. Bob suggested that the Finance Committee work on this after town meeting. Discussed a courier service for handling bank deposits.
6. Discussed purchasing a water cooler for the town hall.

## **OTHER**

1. Brenda thanked Nancy for the wonderful job she has done on the warranted and thanked the staff for cross-training. Announced that Marlene Farwell, the new treasurer, started yesterday and Patti Berry has returned as the CEO/Planning Board Secretary.
2. Willis reported that some warrant articles have been combined this year. If they had not done this the warrant was up to about 84 or 85 articles. Also announced that voting will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup> 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the town hall and town meeting will be March 10<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. at Massabesic High School. Also announced that people can vote anytime between now and election day and do not have to have a reason.

3. Discussed the 30 lots reported by E911 as not being taxed. Have met with the Assessor and he explained the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. If you build after April 1<sup>st</sup> you are not taxed until April 1<sup>st</sup> of next year and if you sell after April 1<sup>st</sup> you will be taxed until the following year. Can not change anything prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> per state law. As soon as the list is received from Pam L'Heureux the assessor will review. Can not imagine that there are this many lots.
4. Dean Look addressed the issue of a dog attack on Hush Puppy Road as described by the Animal Control Officer at last meeting. Stated that the incident happened on Dean Drive not Hush Puppy. Dean Drive is a private road but has a public right of way. Stated that the right of the public to pass has to take precedence over dogs running at large. Discussed the leash law and reviewed the proposed barking dog ordinance.
5. Discussed scheduling a night to review the warrant with the Finance Committee and the public. Will schedule for February 20<sup>th</sup>.
6. Eric Herrle addressed the board as Chairman of the Grant Committee. Stated that a public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant has been scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The grant has to be received in Augusta by 4 p.m. on February 16<sup>th</sup> and will be there.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bob and seconded by Brenda.

#### SIGNED:

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 1/16/01 and 1/23/01

#### APPROVED

Date: 3/27/01

William A. Ford

Robert Fey

Brenda Chauland