

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2001

PRESENT: Bob Fay, Doug Foglio, Willis Lord, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, David Benton, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Bob Gobeil, Paul Verrell, Sr., John Littlefield, Nancy & Kevin Nelson, Eric Herrle, Beth Cyr, Teresa Lowell, Dean Look, Mike DeAngelis, Mike McAlevey, Fred Fay & Russ Lowell

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. Kevin explained that by making him a Constable it would enable him to write his own subpoenas. Motion by Bob and seconded by Willis to appoint Kevin Nelson as Special Animal Officer/Constable. Vote 3-0-0. Kevin reported that last Saturday he became certified and was informed of a new law which came into effect in September requiring rabies shots for cats. Requested a policy to allow him to ask people for a certificate of vaccination when at a residence on a dog complaint. Motion by Willis to give the ACO permission, when seeing cats on dog calls, to ask for certification and enforce state law. Seconded by Doug. Vote 3-0-0. Reported that the state wants ACO's to take a 100 hour course in basic law enforcement. Feels that it may become law in a couple more years but right now is only suggested. Bob requested something in writing on the course and the cost. Kevin stated that if the town pays for the course he will do it on his own time and not charge the hours to the town. Doug stated that if the town is paying to train these people then there should be a term to the position they take unless extenuating circumstances, they should have to serve a certain period of time. Will discuss further at their workshop next week.
2. Discussed the request from the Planning Board for a meeting with the Selectmen. Agreed that they would attend the meeting with the Planning Board on Dec. 12th.
3. Discussed the trailer lots on Bennett Hill Road. Dave explained that they filled out a permit request a couple of weeks ago but it was not turned back in. Per the CEO they can not get an occupancy permit until they satisfy the Road Commissioners recommendations. Willis reported that Steve Everett has agreed to look into the survey of the town property abutting the MacDonald gravel pit. Discussed sending a letter to Mr. MacDonald regarding the entrance to his gravel pit.
4. Discussed Doug recommendation that all Departments and Committees need a 5 & 10 year plan. Motion by Doug to require all department heads and committees who are going to request capital improvements to provide a 5 year short term and a 10 year long term plan to the Selectmen. Seconded by Bob with the addition that they should work with Nancy and/or Treasurer on this. Budgets are due by November 30th, deadline for this will be January 15th with a draft due by December 30th. Vote 3-0-0.
5. Doug stated that if you are having a capital improvement plan you need a complete inventory. Motion by Doug and seconded by Willis that all departments and committees provide a complete inventory. Vote 3-0-0.
6. Motion by Bob and seconded by Willis to accept the resignation of D. Scott Hamilton as the RWS Representative with regret. Vote 3-0-0.

7. Motion by Doug that they hold off on voting on the Fire/EMS Lt. Position until they had a chance to discuss it at their workshop and seconded by Willis. Vote 3-0-0.
8. Willis stated that we should order the dump stickers for the majority of the residents so we can begin handing them out. Nichole Tracy has offered to make the smaller quantity stickers on her computer. Discussed the last Transfer Station Committee meeting and what was discussed as follows: Fees, process for receiving refrigerators and freezers, car parts, metal, fiberglass, automobile tires and large tires. Discussed not taking any tires over 25". Dave Benton stated that they already have been approved for a 100' x 100' pad which could be used to remove freon and to stack painted wood for crushing. Discussed the location of the silver bullets and possible changes in the traffic flow. Motion by Willis to have the green stickers for residents printed if it checks out financially. Seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0. Explained the renters sticker and what's being suggested by the committee.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Fred stated that with regard to the missing street signs, Sgt. Chauvette has written a very good piece for the newspaper in an effort to help recover signs.

OTHER

1. Pam L'Heureux stated that the library board would like to invite the selectmen to a meeting next Thursday at the Library to discuss the future of the library. The Trustees are interested in hearing the Selectmen's views on what direction they should be heading in. Meeting will be held Thursday, November 29th at 6:30 p.m. at the Library.
2. Kevin requested that a flyer be sent with the Smart Shopper regarding the new law on cats. Also stated that he needs a complete job description. Bob suggested that this be placed on the agenda for the next Public Safety Committee meeting.
3. Pam stated that she had received a request from a citizen to name a private road Victorian which she can not recommend as it is too close to two other road names. Their second choice of Panoramic is fine with her. All members of the board approved the second choice.
4. Willis stated that he wants to donate time to cut some brush to help cars see emergency vehicles coming off John Smith Road. Bob did not have a problem with him doing it and John Littlefield said it would certainly help visibility.
5. Mike reported that there is an ad in today's Smart Shopper for upcoming programs which include a Bruins game and a trip to Foxwoods in February. It looks like there will be no swim program until this summer. Feels that his department needs to increase the motivation to generate revenue to assist in keeping the budget at 0% increase. Discussed the need to provide janitorial service to the elementary school. The multi-purpose field is on hold until spring but hope to have it ready to use by October. Did not get the grant and have not resubmitted the application. Discussed using the National Guard to do some work. Mike McAlevy offered to work on it for him. Discussed Mike's report on Shaker Valley Little League. Discussed the equipment that was originally loaned to them. Mike to look into the inventory and report back to Doug. Bob Gobeil stated that they originally loaned them 120 uniforms. Mike McAlevy suggested

some girl and boy scouts assisting with the inventory. Mike reported that the only expense to the town is to keep the field in shape.

6. Bob stated that they do need an RWS Representative as well as someone for the Charter Commission.

Motion by Doug to accept the minutes of 11/13/01 as written and seconded by Willis.
Vote 3-0-0.

Motion by Willis and seconded by Bob to accept the Council Meeting minutes of 11/13/01. Vote 3-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Doug and seconded by Willis to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Vote 3-0-0

SIGNED:

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 11/13/01
2. Abatements

APPROVED

Date: 11/20/01

Robert King
Douglas C. Fogler
Willis A. Lord