

## **SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**

### **October 29, 2002**

**PRESENT:** Douglas Foglio, Sr., Willis Lord, Eric Herrle, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Ralph Bowley, Kevin Nelson, Frank Allen, Dean Look, Bob Gobeil, Larry Jacobsen, Paul Kussman, Richard & Cathy Cook, Russ & Teresa Lowell and Wendy Carter.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

7:00 p.m. – Richard & Cathy Cook came in to discuss the fire pond located on their property at 3 Stongate Drive. Nancy explained that the town sent Mr. Knudsen a letter giving him 30 days to complete the fire pond. It was sent both regular mail and certified. The one sent regular mail did not come back but the certified copy was refused. Willis suggested fining him \$50 per day for every day not completed. Doug stated that the attorney recommends filing suit to complete completion. Eric requested time to research the options before making a decision and should be able to have an answer for the Cook's by November 12<sup>th</sup>.

7:15 p.m. – Heard a request from Victor Collette, III regarding Map 57 Lot 36 which is located at 205 Buff Brook Road for a Consent Agreement. The home was built in 1982 and Mr. Collette is the third owner. Willis stated that they can not penalize Mr. Collette because he is not the one who did this. Recommended that they fine him \$1.00 and give him the consent agreement. Motion by Willis and seconded by Eric to fine Mr. Collette \$1.00 and give him his consent agreement. Voted. Passed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion by Willis and seconded by Doug to accept the resignation of Pam L'Heureux from the Library Board with regret. Voted. Passed.
2. Discussed the process for handling concealed weapon permit applications. A previous Board of Selectmen had voted to turn it over to the State Police when they were having difficulty getting the background checks done by the Sheriff's Dept. Motion by Eric to take over issuing concealed weapons permits and that it be handled by the towns contract deputy. Seconded by Willis. Voted. Passed.
3. Discussed enclosing the walkway between the two buildings to prevent the walkway from icing over in the winter. Suggested canvas which would be removed in good weather. Nancy to check on prices as soon as possible. Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to have Nancy get estimates and to have the persons giving the estimate assess the condition and usability of the existing canvas from the old building. Voted. Passed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Doug read a letter from the town attorney, Ken Cole, regarding the petition for a Special Town Meeting to accept East Shore Road as a town road. The letter states that the petitioners can not request the town to violate state and/or town law. In this case state law requires that they must sign over easements for the Right of Way and release liability and town ordinance states that no road can be accepted as a town road unless it meets town standards. Neither one have been complied with on this road Larry suggested that the people on that road should form a non-profit corporation and get the easement then work to bring the road up to town standards before coming to the Selectmen to seek

acceptance as a town road. Willis stated that the should probably go to the major petitioners and explain all this. Doug stated that we should go back to the attorney and ask if they have to call a Special Town Meeting based on this petition and can anybody call a Special Town Meeting if the Selectmen do not. Pam L'Heureux stated that her husband and Jack Hamel plowed that road so she could get in to pick up a person for work. The town has never plowed that section of road.

**OTHER**

1. Nancy explained that the Selectmen have to sign the Health Trust Participation Agreement and then it has to be ratified at Town Meeting. Motion by Willis and seconded by Eric to sign the agreement. Voted. Passed.
2. Next week the workshop will be held at 7 p.m. The board will be meeting at the Alfred Town Hall at 3:30 or 4 p.m. next Tuesday with the Alfred and Shapleigh Selectmen regarding the Ross Corner Fire Company and their need for a new truck.
3. Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to accept the minutes of 10/22/02 as written. Voted. Passed.
4. Eric read a letter to Middle School parents regarding Parent Teacher Conferences allotting 5 minutes per conference and that not all parents will be able to get in. Requested a letter be sent to the Superintendent and the entire school board expressing dissatisfaction at the treatment of the taxpayers and parents. Would also like to include something in this letter that they start broadcasting their meetings. Doug and Willis asked Eric to pen something and they will both sign it. Dean Look suggested not signing the warrant for the next school payment as a way of forcing them to do something. Willis suggesting running it over multiple nights.
5. Eric read the reminders for upcoming meetings.

Motion to go into Executive Session for a Hardship Abatement and a Personnel Issue at 8:25 p.m. Motion by Willis and seconded by Eric to come out of Executive Session at 8:40 p.m. On the request for a hardship abatement, motion by Willis and seconded by Eric to deny the request. Voted. Passed. Regarding the Personnel Issue a motion by Willis and seconded by Eric that the board accept the position of the Personnel Director. Voted. Passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

**SIGNED:**

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 10/22/02
2. Health Trust Participation Agreement

**APPROVED**

Date: 11/26/02  
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