

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2004

PRESENT: Willis Lord, Eric Herrle, Douglas Foglio, Sr., Pam Witman, Teresa Lowell, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Kevin & Nancy Nelson, Paul Verrell, Sr., Mike Hammond, Dean & Denise Waterhouse, Beth Cyr, Frank Birkemose, Sr., Chauncey Gerry, Judy Fay, Bob Fay, John & Wendy Carter, Clint Andrews, Sue Dunlap, David Woodsome, Jack Hewes, Everett Whitten, Dave Benton, Jon Gale, Debby Downs, Richard Devigny, Jonathan Raymond, Brigit McCallum, Mike DeAngelis, Sean & Jody Shoemaker, Freddie & Mary Ross and others.

Selectman Lord opened the meeting at 6:30 pm. Held a Public Hearing on the Dog Ordinance and the Referendum Questions for Town Meeting.

Kevin explained that the only change in the Dog Ordinance is that we will only accept cash or cashiers checks for Impoundment Fees. To this point have been having difficulty with people writing bad checks for Impoundment Fees. Explained that the Fire Dept. needs this extrication tool as the one they have is old, was rebuilt 5 years ago and will not work on the newer vehicles such as SUV's. It is also very large and hard to handle. Kevin explained the changes in the position of Animal Control Officer since 1999 and why he needs a municipal vehicle. Eric explained the discrepancy in the amount as written on the ballot for the recycling building and how the wording came about. Feels it will be back in a Special Town Meeting to correct the wording and amount no matter what happens with the referendum question. Recommended that it be voted in and it will come back again. Explained the reduction from \$40,000 to \$10,000. Jon Gale questioned why it is going to referendum and why not on the Town Meeting Warrant as well as why they chose to reduce the amount. The Board members each explained their position. Closed hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Held Candidates Night

Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to accept the minutes of 3/23/04 and 3/29/04 as written. Voted. Passed. Eric read reminders.

Eric announced that Nancy applied for a grant for the Memorial Park through DOT and it was approved for \$5,000.

Discussed closing the Library while the chimney is being relined. Agreed to leave it up to the Librarian to close or not depending on the weather.

Motion by Eric to close town hall the day of the Town Meeting because there will only be one person in the building that day. Motion seconded by Willis. Voted. Passed.

Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to put the insurance out to bid. Voted. Passed.

Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to request RFP for fuel oil contracts. Voted. Passed.

Discussed the new doors for town hall. Eric will see Wade Junkins tomorrow and find out where they stand.

Discussed who would hire the floating secretary. Will discuss with the Hiring Panel when they meet tomorrow.

Discussed the problem with the basement in the old building and the need for an air exchanger. Kevin to talk with Nancy and make some phone calls.

Discussed the monthly workplan and Willis also requested a weekly report on what was accomplished the week prior. Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to adopt the workplan as presented. Voted. Passed.

Paul Verrell announced that the Democratic Town Committee will be meeting the last Saturday of every month at 9:30 a.m. in the town hall.

Eric reminded everyone of the new Selectmen's schedule.

Announced that Town Meeting needs attendance.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Eric and seconded by Willis to adjourn at 9:50 pm. Voted. Passed.

SIGNED:

1. Warrant for bills and payroll
2. Minutes of 3/23/04 & 3/29/04
3. Warrant for Town Meeting

APPROVED:

Date _____
