

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

November 23, 2004

ATTENDING: Douglas Foglio, Sr., Robert Fay, David Chauvette, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Willis Lord, Don Boilard, Donna & John Mahoney, Jason L'Heureux, Pam L'Heureux, Fred Bechard, Wendy Carter, David Woodsome, Paul Kussman, David Benton, Patti Berry and Frank Sherburne.

Selectman Foglio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS

Fred Bechard, MSAD #57 Superintendent addressed the board regarding the Special Needs Program at MSAD #57. Began by thanking the Selectmen for all their work on the Palesky issue. Stated that by law they must provide education to all children regardless of their needs or the cost. The Federal Government provides about 6% of the cost of education. There are currently approximately 550 students receiving special education and 15% of all students are identified as special needs student. There are eleven out of district placements for a cost of approximately \$355,000. Currently 13% of the total budget is special education costs. The gifted and talented program also falls under special education. Discussed the makeup of the pupil evaluation team and that the law clearly states who is to be part of the team. Discussed the impact of 1A once implemented and the fact that there is a \$240,000,000 shortfall in the funding. Discussed the criteria for special needs. Stated that the cost per student for out of district students range from \$17,000 to \$100,000. Discussed no child left behind. Discussed regionalization the possibility of the 11 town group and school superintendents going to Augusta to petition the legislature not to regionalize.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

1. Work around the vault has been completed.
2. Still trying to reach MDOT regarding the intersection but has been unable to contact anyone.
3. Starting on the Town Report and budget season. Have a whole new budget process this year.
4. The new General Manager of RWS, Kevin Roche came out yesterday and has agreed to attend a Selectmen's Meeting in January.
5. Moving forward to correct the heating situation in the new town hall prior to winter.
6. Wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review the Road Review recommendations on McLucas Road, Bartlett Pines Road, Starr Hill Road and Ricker Lane. They determined that McLucas Road is closed. Stated that from Swett's Lane to North Waterboro per 1955 Town Meeting that this was closed by a vote of Town Meeting and the Road Review Committee believes that's the status of this road. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Fay to send the opinion of the Road Review Committee to Mr. Littlefield. Voted. Passed. The portion of Bartlett Pines is actually in Lyman so there is no recommendation on that. Dave Benton explained that regarding Star Hill Road there are a number of things that could be suggested but need to set a standard for developers putting in housing on these old country roads. There is a developer who wants to put in 14 homes and this road won't withstand it. Feels it will need a tremendous amount of work. Felt they should look again at impact fees and contract zoning. Discussed impact fees and contract zoning. With regard to Ricker Lane there is room on one side of the road for cars to park but in winter there should not be parking on that road. If implementing no parking should do it in a lot of other areas in town. Fire trucks and ambulances can get through in summer with cars parked on one side. Felt that there should probably be some signs to address site distance exiting Ricker Lane onto West Road. Selectman Chauvette felt there should not be parking on any public way in town. Will schedule a public hearing for the second Selectmen's Meeting in December.
2. Motion by Selectman Chauvette and seconded by Selectman Foglio to appoint Duane Fay to the Finance Committee. No discussion. Vote 2-0-1 with Selectman Fay abstaining.
3. Discussed the ACO/Custodian opening. Agreed to readvertise.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Chauvette to extend and sign the contracts for plowing of municipal parking lot and Fire Station. Discussed moving the generators to Central Station. Voted. Passed.
2. Reported that no bids were received on the concrete work for the Transfer Station. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Chauvette for Selectman Foglio to follow up with a couple of contractors and negotiate the best deal for the Town of Waterboro. Voted. Passed.
3. Dave Benton stated that they need to discuss the private roads that we are plowing and decide what we are going to do. Selectman Foglio stated that he feels they should go by the contract schedule and deal with it once the contract ends this year. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Chauvette to plow through the end of the contract. Vote 2-0-1 with Selectman Fay abstaining as his is one of the roads in question.

OTHER

1. Selectman Foglio reported that when they met with Kevin Roche they explained to him that they need the budget figures from them prior to setting our budget. Also discussed with him buying out of RWS.
2. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Chauvette to accept the minutes of 11/9/04 & 11/16/04 as written. Voted. Passed.
3. Selectman Foglio read the reminders.
4. Stated that tentatively there will be a staff meeting next Tuesday morning.
5. Motion by Selectman Foglio and seconded by Selectman Chauvette to go into Executive Session per M.R.S.A. Title 1 §405 6 (C) Hardship Abatement and that immediately following the Executive Session that they adjourn. Voted. Passed.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll

1. Minutes of 11/9/04 & 11/16/04

APPROVED:

Date _____
