

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

January 9, 2007

ATTENDING: Robert Fay, Dwayne Woodsome, Evan Grover, Cindy Moore, Jon Gale, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, David Lowe, Pam L'Heureux, Clint Andrews, Bob Gobeil, Jason L'Heureux, Willis Lord, Kitty Chadbourne, Tina Cote, Tammy Girard and Mike DeAngelis.

Selectman Grover called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the flag.

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 – Kitty Chadbourne explained that she owns land on Bradeen Road and is surrounded by Lake Arrowhead. Requested to purchase an abutting lot Map 42 Lot A65 for \$500. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale to sell her the lot for \$500. Vote 5-0-0.

7:15 – Pam L'Heureux explained that she has been hired as communications manager for York County Communications. This is a temporary position until the switchover is complete. Today switched over the 911 calls and for the next week will still be dispatched through York County. Next Tuesday at 9 am the radio will switch over to Gray and then everything will be through them.

7:30 – Willis explained that the County Budget has a major deficit. In 2005 there was a deficit of \$782,265 and not sure what the figures will be for 2006. Reported that their bonding percentage for borrowing has dropped two steps from A+ to A-. Reported that they will be receiving \$800,000 back from the general contractor who constructed the jail. Also reported that they took in \$1 million by boarding prisoners this year and this money should balance the budget but won't be making as much next year as they won't be boarding as many prisoners. The budget committee doesn't know what the commissioner's are going to do yet. Stated that the County has been carrying a deficit from year to year. Discussed boarding federal prisoners. Selectman Grover stated that they will be discussing the budget issues at the 11 Town Group meeting on Monday evening. Willis also recommended a survey on the transfer station and would like to see this on next weeks agenda. Selectman Woodsome stated that they can also discuss this at their workshop on Thursday. Discussed the fact that they have been opening ½ hour early on Sunday for one contractor and he has only come in once since they have been doing it however has come a few times later in the day which he is not supposed to be doing.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Reported that last Thursday a representative from Turner Building Science looked at North Station. Suggested that if they cover the chimney, remove the balance of the sheetrock and clean the furnace could probably use North Station. Still waiting for the full report.
2. Reported that she has a meeting tomorrow with SMRPC on the road list.
3. Reported that the money deadline is Friday, January 19th.
4. Reported that she has received the resignation from Don Boilard effective February 2nd both as Custodian and from the Transfer Station/Recycling Committee.
5. Selectman Fay announced that Nancy has just completed 20 years of service to the Town of Waterboro.
6. Discussed the ACO position and possibly combining it with custodian. Nancy stated that she does have one application and will be receiving another for ACO and also has one application for custodian. Stated that she has also been hearing about a possible planner to share with another town but no one has contacted the town office yet.

NEW BUSINESS

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1. Tammy Girard presented a two page listing of properties the Land Trust would be interested in acquiring. Reviewed the trust's mission statement. Also presented the referendum question. Selectman Grover read the list of properties. Discussed restrictions on the parcels. Tammy stated that the Land Trust will want to sit down with the Selectmen and go over the parcels and possible restrictions. Reported that they have a new web-site and the address is waterborolandtrust.com. Also explained that membership is \$10.00 per year. Stated that this is a way of preserving this land for future generations. Selectman Gale questioned if the town could retain ownership and yet turn over to the trust to oversee. Was concerned that the trust could be sued when by the town retaining ownership they can't. Tammy suggested looking at easements. Mike requested a maintenance agenda for these properties and Tammy stated that they are not asking Parks & Rec to take on more work. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Gale to put the referendum question to vote for the land trust. Vote 5-0-0. Discussed private land owners putting land into the trust. Selectman Grover requested a policy to require a public hearing before turning over land. Will go on a future agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Fay that the first two meetings with the Finance Committee will be held on Wednesday and the next two will be on Tuesday's at 6 pm them will alternate. Seconded Selectman Woodsome. Vote 5-0-0.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

1. Mike reported that they had 21 basketball teams this year and are down to 4. Held a 5 hour basketball tournament on Saturday in the new middle school gym. Reported that he has been doing research into grants for walking trails. Also stated that he would like to talk with the land trust. Reported that the ice fishing derby is still scheduled for February 18th. Reported that he build a multi-purpose field this year for under \$20,000 thanks to a lot of help. Reported that there is a loose paddle boat over by Ossipee Pines. Reported that he has taken on a baton program and reviewed the gymnastics program.

OTHER

1. Tina reported that the Finance Committee met last Wednesday and that they still have one opening..
2. Clint stated that they have nothing to report but will be meeting on Thursday at 7 pm with the Selectmen.
3. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to sign the warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 5-0-0.
4. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Moore to accept the minutes of 1/2/07 as presented. Vote 5-0-0.
5. Selectman Woodsome stated that they have received a request from the employees for a staff meeting. Stated that they will probably need to close the office to do this. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Fay to schedule the staff meeting for Wednesday, January 17th at 4:15 pm. Vote 5-0-0.
6. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Moore to put holiday pay at the Transfer Station on the agenda. Vote 5-0-0. Selectman Fay stated that he was not sure why they receive benefits, other than Clint, because the rest are part time. Reviewed the personnel policy. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale to follow the personnel policy. Vote 5-0-0. Bob Gobeil questioned why they didn't get paid when they should have worked that day but the Selectmen closed on Mondays.
7. Selectman Woodsome read the reminders.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Fay seconded by Selectman Woodsome to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll:

1. Minutes of 12/07
2. Concealed Weapon Applications
3. Abatements

APPROVED:

Date _____
