### Waterboro Board of Selectmen May 13, 2014 Meeting Minutes

**Executive Session:** Selectman Woodsome moved to go into executive session at 5:47 pm per Title 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(A) to meet with committee applicants, seconded by Selectman Abbott, voted and passed, **4 yeas.** Selectman Littlefield arrived at 5:50 pm. Selectman Woodsome moved to come out of executive session at 5:56 pm, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **3 yeas, 1 abstained (Littlefield) & 1 absent (Selectman Abbott left the room prior to the vote).** 

**PRESENT:** Chairman Girard, Selectmen Abbott, Gale, Littlefield & Woodsome, Town Administrator Gary Lamb, Sharon Abbott, Dwayne Prescott, Administrative Assistant Christina Silberman, and IT Manager Dave Lowe. Assessors' Agent Jerry Daigle, Code Enforcement Officer Mark Mitchell and Deputy Town Clerk Yvette Murray were present for their respective reports. Sue Rocray and Road Commissioner Doug Foglio, Sr. were present through part of the town meeting warrant item. Senate Candidate Andrea Boland arrived during discussion of the town meeting warrant. Parks & Recreation Director Mike DeAngelis arrived near the end of the meeting.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Girard opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:02 pm.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Chairman Girard reported on the search for missing Waterboro teen Jaden Dresma and said information is available on the town website. Selectman Littlefield commented on the outpouring of community support for the search with volunteers and local businesses providing food and water for the search parties. Selectman Gale echoed these sentiments and said that Lakeside Church moved their Sunday services to accommodate the searchers that are using the church as a central check point.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:** New business item e to add a question to the Annual Town Meeting warrant was removed from the agenda because the deadline to add money items to the warrant has passed.

### APPOINTMENTS: None

# HEARING OF DELEGATION: None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Chairman Girard reviewed the following correspondence;

- a. Rep Libby's newsletter
- b. Warrant to call Regional School Unit No. 57 Budget Meeting on May 20, 2014
- c. EcoMaine recycling reports
- d. Planning Board public hearing notice
- e. Assessor's Agent's May calendar

# **REPORTS & STAFF INITIATIVES**

**a.** Assessors' Agent Jerry Daigle - Discuss/vote on abatements and report on delinquent personal property taxes sent for collection: Mr. Daigle reviewed the abatements. Selectman Gale moved to approve abatements #14-49 through #14-56 as recommended by the Assessors' Agent, seconded by Selectmen Abbott, voted and passed, **4 yeas**, **1 nay (Woodsome).** Mr. Daigle reported on the personal property tax accounts sent for collection.

**b. Deputy Town Clerk Yvette Murray to discuss dog licensing status:** Ms. Murray reported on the current status of unlicensed dogs.

**c.** Code Enforcement Officer Mark Mitchell - Discuss/vote to schedule a public hearing for an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Article 7, Table 1 and Section **3.d regarding docks.** Selectman Gale moved to schedule a public hearing for May 27, 2014 to hear comments regarding a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Article 7, Table 1 and Section 3.d regarding docks, seconded by Selectmen Woodsome, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

**d. Selectmen's reports:** Selectman Abbott said that he is concerned that the EcoMaine recycling report shows that the recycling rate dropped to 16% and the Transfer Station/Recycling Committee should take a look at this. He gave kudos to the new dance center in South Waterboro which recently held their annual recital which filled Thornton Academy twice. Selectman Abbott commented that it is too bad that there is a policy with RSU #57 that does not allow use of their buildings for such an event. Selectman Littlefield said that Thornton Academy is considered a private school.

Selectman Gale reported that the Community Garden Committee plant sale will be Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> (at the Taylor House on Route 5 from 9 am – noon). A "Waterboro Photo Day" will be held on July 12, 2014. Members of the public are encouraged to take photos around town on July 12<sup>th</sup>. This will be a day in the life of Waterboro with pictures of people working, playing, swimming, scenery, etc. Pictures submitted that best represent the town will be displayed at Town Hall and possibly displayed at Biddeford Savings Bank, the local sponsor of this first time event.

Selectman Littlefield said that it is National Police Week and he urged members of the public who see Contract Deputy Shawn Sanborn to wish him well.

Chairman Girard reported that the 12 Town Group met last night. Candidates for the Democrat party primary for York County Sheriff were present and had an opportunity to speak for 20 minutes each and answer questions. Today the Six Town Group met with the RSU #57 Superintendent and Chairman Girard will find out from John Sylvester how the meeting went. There are quite a few Boards that are unhappy with the RSU #57 budget proposal for 15% increases for administrators while laying off teachers.

### e. Town Administrator Gary Lamb's report:

- The Hamilton Road Bridge paving base coat is done. A finish coat will go down in the next couple of months. A guardrail now needs to be installed on the bridge.
- The Friendship Park ball field work came out great. Many thanks to Tom Blackburn, Doug Foglio and others for helping Mike DeAngelis and Mike Risti complete much of the work ourselves before the fence company installed new fencing.

- Road Commissioner Doug Foglio, Sr. recently learned that the Department of Transportation (DOT) is looking at drainage system replacement along Route 202 in South Waterboro next to the sidewalks we want to replace. We may want to wait on spending \$20,000 to start sidewalk replacement until DOT decides on their course of action.
- Mr. Lamb said he mistakenly used the Saturday town meeting date of June 14<sup>th</sup> to compute the charter imposed deadline of "no new financial articles within 30 days before town meeting". He should have used June 10<sup>th</sup> as the start date to back up 30 days, because June 10<sup>th</sup> is the start of that week's town meeting. Consequently, the time for new spending articles has passed and we should wait on any ambulance ordering article until a summer or early fall special town meeting.
- We have been paying up to 23 cents per kwh for electricity on a variable rate contract with Glacial Energy. We will soon be changing our electricity supplier to Electricity Maine on a fixed contract well under 10 cents per kwh.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Discuss/vote to approve the renewal of a State Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Liquor License for Asian Taste restaurant: Selectman Gale moved to approve the liquor license for Asian Taste, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, 5 yeas.

**b. Discuss/vote on Committee appointments:** Selectman Woodsome moved to appoint Georgia Jones and Donald Cook to the Cemetery Committee, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **4 yeas, 1 abstained (Littlefield)**.

**c. Discuss/vote to appoint the EcoMaine Representative:** Selectman Littlefield moved to reappoint Selectman Dennis Abbott as the EcoMaine Representative with Town Administrator Gary Lamb as the alternate, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

d. Discuss/vote to sign the Warrant and Notice of Election calling for the RSU #57 Budget Validation Referendum Election on June 10, 2014: Selectman Gale moved to sign the warrant, seconded by Selectman Abbott, voted and passed, 5 yeas.

e. This item was deleted from the agenda.

**f. Discuss/vote to approve the Annual Town Meeting Warrant:** The Selectmen and the Town Administrator reviewed the proposed Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Abbott moved to approve the warrant with revisions as noted, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

**g. Discuss/vote to approve spending up to \$6,000 to replace a failed septic system at 779 Sokokis Trail:** Selectman Gale moved to deny the request, seconded by Selectman Abbott, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

# OLD BUSINESS:

# OTHER:

**a. Minutes of the April 22 2014 regular meeting:** Selectman Gale moved to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2014 regular meeting, seconded by Selectman Littlefield, voted and passed, **4 yeas, 1 abstained (Woodsome-not present).** 

### **PENDING DECISIONS:**

**a. Town Charter revision to add a Public Works Department:** Mr. Lamb said this is coming along with increasing clarity and will be pulled together after annual town meeting preparations. There has been interest in the Public Works Director and Laborer positions.

### WEEK'S ACTION LIST:

- Post the public hearing notice regarding proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments regarding docks.
- Notify the Cemetery Committee members about their appointments.
- Incorporate approved changes to the town meeting warrant.
- Work on personnel policy updates.
- Work on an approved vendor list for the purchase policy.

# **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Discuss the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee.
- Hold the Public Hearing and vote on proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments regarding docks.
- Have a discussion about cisterns, invite the Fire Chief.
- Have an update from the Code Enforcement Officer regarding Lada Auto Sales and the notices sent about dangerous buildings.

Chairman Girard read the reminders. Chairman Girard added that the Regional School Unit No. 57 Budget Meeting will be held on May 20, 2014 at Massabesic Middle School at 7 pm. This is like town meeting and the warrant will be read and changes can be made from the floor. The Selectmen do not set the school budget, it is set by the RSU #57 Budget Committee. This is a very important meeting If residents want to have input on the school budget.

Selectman Littlefield asked about the Parks & Recreation van. Mr. Lamb replied that funding for a new van was removed from the proposed budget as part of efforts to keep the budget flat. The current van needs some work. Parks & Recreation Director Mike DeAngelis provided information on a new van and will have the current van checked for needed repairs.

Selectman Woodsome commented that he is not in favor of holding a special town meeting to for needed items that are not in the proposed budget to keep it flat. We are suggesting to RSU #57 that they do not have a special election in September and it should be the same with the town. Selectman Abbott agreed.

State Senate Candidate and current State Representative Andrea Boland introduced herself and shared some of her concerns and the work she has done in Augusta.

**ADJOURN:** Selectman Woodsome moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 pm, seconded by Selectman Abbott, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

### SIGNED:

- Minutes of the April 22, 2014 Selectmen's meeting
- Liquor license for Asian Taste
- RSU #57 Warrant and Notice of Election

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• Annual Town Meeting Warrant

APPROVED: Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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