

**Minutes for Waterboro Board of Selectmen Meeting  
March 28, 2017 at Waterboro Town Hall**

**6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting**

**PRESENT:** Selectmen Dennis Abbott, Jon Gale, Gordon Littlefield, Tim Neill, and Dwayne Woodsome. Also in attendance were Gary Lamb, David Lowe, Julie Giles, Brigit McCallum and Ted Doyle.

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Abbott opened the meeting at 6:05 p.m. with the pledge of Allegiance.

**2. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**4. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

**5. APPOINTMENT**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Brigit McCallum announced that there will be a meeting on Wednesday, March 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Waterboro Library for anyone who is interested in snowshoe trail development.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Treasurer's reports
- b. ecomaine recycling reports

Dennis Abbott commented on the recycling percentages for Waterboro. This number for the month of February is 18.9%. The Town's percentages have been around this same amount for the past 3-4 years. He also commented that ecomaine is getting ready to collect food waste. He commented that the Transfer Station/Recycling Committee needs to be revitalized.

**8. REPORTS & STAFF INITIATIVES**

- a. Selectmen's reports

Dwayne Woodsome commented that approximately 25 people attended the RSU#57 budget meeting. They may lose approximately \$1 million in State funding. He also commented that the boys did a good job during last Friday's storm.

**Tim Neill commented that he rode along with Meals on Wheels last week delivering meals to Waterboro residents. This is a very impressive program and anyone 60 or over needing this service may contact Southern Maine Agency on Aging. There are a lot of other programs available as well.**

**b. Town Administrator Gary Lamb's report**

**Town Administrator Gary Lamb's report was delivered as follows:**

- **Town Assessor** - Shirley Bartlett has accepted the position of Assessor for the Town of Waterboro. We will more information in a couple weeks.
- **Municipal Budget preparation** - another budget workshop is set for 5pm Thursday March 30. The public is welcome to attend.
- **School Budget update** - On March 22, three Waterboro selectmen along with selectmen from other RSU towns had an initial Q and A session with Supt. Larry Malone and Business Manager Colin Walsh. The preliminary funding numbers from Augusta for RSU 57 do not look good... (perhaps \$900K less than this year). Hopefully these numbers will change as the legislative session proceeds. The next school budget meeting with Supt is scheduled for Thursday April 13 with exact time and place TBD.
- **Marijuana update** - I attended an all-day marijuana workshop last Friday put on by the statewide town and city managers association. Over 150 managers, selectmen, town planners, attorneys, etc listened to a former Colorado city manager and others describe what is coming to Maine in regards to commercial marijuana businesses and municipal impacts. It was depressingly informative...more later on this under agenda item # 10a.
- **Recreation** - Our Recreation Department hosted a well-attended youth turkey hunting seminar here in town hall in coordination with Maine Warden Service and State Trooper (and avid turkey hunter) Steve Stubbs. Twenty aspiring hunters ages 7-15 learned the finer points of firearms safety and turkey calling...and it sounds like the presentation was humorous and well received. Additional seminar ideas are being discussed with Maine Warden Service for our April vacation kids camp. Don't forget the Oxford Casino bus trip with our Buxton and Hollis recreation staff and neighbors on Wednesday April 19<sup>th</sup>...a real coach bus and ticket price is only \$25. Our recreation department is working more closely with our neighbor towns on a variety of recreation ideas and communications.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion on possible June 13, 2017 ballot question to prohibit commercial marijuana uses.**

**Dwayne Woodsome commented that in his opinion, it is better to send the question to the voters.**

**Tim Neill commented that the State has a moratorium until 2018 and it is better to put the question to the voters to better gauge how people feel about commercial use as opposed to personal use.**

**Dennis Abbott commented that this would not affect recreational use of marijuana. A person would not be able to purchase it or grow it in Waterboro and there would not be social clubs.**

**Jon Gale questioned whether the question could be split up by category. Gordon Littlefield commented that it should be broken up into 5 separate questions.**

**Gary Lamb is to find out from Natalie if the question can be split.**

- b. Review/discuss latest draft of Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District map.**

**The Selectmen were presented with a new proposed map for review. The Board requested that Lots 40 and 41 also be included in the TIF district and to remove the residential lots abutting Lot 54. A new map will be prepared and discussed at the next meeting.**

- c. Discuss/possible vote on renaming the Transfer Station.**

**Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to leave the name as is and Gary Lamb is to review the current budget and increase signage focused on recycling if needed. Jon Gale seconded. The motion passed 5-0.**

- d. Discussion/possible vote on sections of the FY17/18 budget.**

**The Board of Selectmen spoke about meeting next Tuesday night (April 4, 2017) and to recess the March 28, 2017 meeting and continue on March 30, 2017 following the budget workshop.**

**Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to schedule a regular meeting on April 4, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss/possible vote on the FY 17/18 budget. Tim Neill seconded. The motion passed 5-0.**

#### **11. OTHER**

- a. Discuss /vote to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2017 regular meeting.**

**Jon Gale made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2017 regular meeting. Gordon Littlefield seconded. The motion passed 5-0.**

#### **12. PENDING DECISIONS**

- a. Review Comprehensive Plan task list.**
- b. More preparation for the 2017 referendum question**

#### **13. WEEK'S ACTION LIST**

**Advertise for Tuesday's Selectmen's meeting.**

#### 14. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

**Town Administrator's performance evaluation on April 11<sup>th</sup> in Executive Session**

**Appointment of a Town Assessor**

Gordon Littlefield commented on the possibility of a statewide referendum in November to allow a casino in York County. He commented that a referendum question be considered in the June election to see whether or not the residents would like a casino in the Town of Waterboro. This will be further discussed at the April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### 15. ITEMS NEEDING SIGNATURE

- a. Minutes of the March 16, 2017 regular meeting

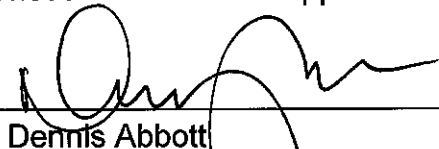
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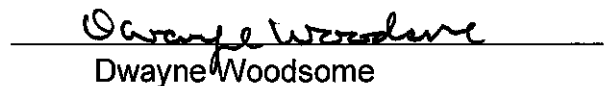
Gordon Littlefield announced that for any veteran and his/her family, there will be an informational session on the effects of Agent Orange if you served time in Vietnam or the Korean Conflict. It will be on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Hurd School in North Berwick. It is free to the public.

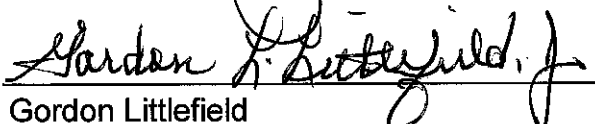
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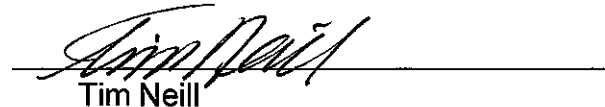
A motion was made by Jon Gale to suspend this meeting to Thursday, March 30, 2017. Seconded by Gordon Littlefield, Motion passed 5-0. Meeting was suspended at 7:25 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Waterboro Board of Selectmen on April 11, 2017.

  
Dennis Abbott

  
Dwayne Woodsome

  
Gordon Littlefield

  
Tim Neill

  
Jon Gale