



BOARD OF SELECTMEN
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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Monday, January 12, 2015 – 6:30 p.m. – Town Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Chair John Penacho, Kevin Forrest, John McDevitt, Vaughan Morgan, Mo Sodini
(Public Session Only)

Staff: Karen Anderson – Town Administrator

I. 6:30 p.m. – NON-PUBLIC

1. Personnel Evaluations [RSA 91-A:3, II(c)]: Chief of Police

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to enter into non-public session at 6:30 p.m. Second – J. McDevitt; all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to enter into public session at 7:15 p.m. Second – V. Morgan; all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

Chair Penacho opened the Board of Selectmen meeting at 7:15 p.m. A roll call was taken by the Chair; he announced a quorum was present and the meeting was being recorded.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER ITEMS

1. Road Acceptance: Maya Way

Jim Kerivan, Altus Engineers, and the Building Inspector have agreed that Maya Way is complete. The bond can be reduced and the road accepted. The amount of the bond to be released is approximately \$32,000; \$800 will be retained as recommended.

MOTION: M. Sodini moved to accept the report from Jim Kerivan, the Maya Way bond reduction, and accept the road; the road bond will be returned. Second – V. Morgan

DISCUSSION: Chair Penacho pointed out that J. Kerivan had recommended \$800 be retained. The Board questioned accepting a road that was not finished. M. Sodini rescinded the motion. The acceptance of Maya Way was continued until the road is complete.

2. 911 Road Name Change: Abenaki Way

M. Sodini stated that Mr. Cook had an opportunity to attend the meeting when name changes were made, and didn't. When told by the Town Administrator that signs were ordered, D. Cook offered to pay for the sign.

MOTION: V. Morgan moved to rename Abenaki Way to Corson Way with the stipulation that D. Cook pays for the replacement sign. Second – J. McDevitt; four in favor, one abstain (M. Sodini). **MOTION CARRIED**

3. Town Report Cover

The Board briefly discussed the proposed Town Report cover.

MOTION: M. Sodini moved to use the Town Report cover as presented by the Deputy Town Clerk. Second – V. Morgan; all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

Chair Penacho requested that the picture be centered.

4. COAST Update

The Town Administrator updated the Board on her recent COAST meeting. COAST is looking at other options to be considered by the towns Route 7 goes through. The cost could be \$10,000 for a partial month of service. Each town along the route would have one day dedicated to them and would be on demand. The new option is an attempt to try and meet the specific needs of the ridership. Exeter, Newmarket and Great Bay Community College were not in favor of this being the only option. Stratham was going to discuss this option as well.

The general consensus of the Board was that they were not in favor of this type of route.

5. Fire/EMS Study Committee with Stratham

The Town Administrator met with the Stratham Town Administrator after the COAST meeting. The fire chiefs from Stratham and Greenland had met and discussed more cooperation between the towns in covering emergency calls. Stratham is considering a staffing arrangement similar to Greenland's and both towns could respond. One of the suggestions by the Stratham Board of Selectmen was alternating days for coverage and housing. The Stratham Town Administrator suggested staffing their station and sharing the cost.

The Town Administrator suggested that an exploratory committee be formed consisting of the two chiefs, a representative from each Select Board and both Town Administrators. All pros and cons could be discussed and reviewed over a six to nine month period. V. Morgan volunteered to participate.

M. Sodini felt staffing Stratham from Greenland, or vice versa, would be a logistical nightmare; Stratham is a much larger town than Greenland. After speaking with Chief Cresta, M. Sodini felt the thought was that both towns would be staffed and assist each other in an emergency, if needed.

The Board felt it would be beneficial to form an exploratory committee. They would like a report from the committee by August 15, 2015 so any budgetary matters could be addressed.

6. Current Use Releases: Hickory Lane

Current Use Releases are for Lots 1, 2 and 5 Hickory Lane at \$15,600 each, for a total warrant of \$46,800. The revenue from these lots will be in 2015; the Current Use Release for 6 Hickory Lane was approved in December 2014.

MOTION: V. Morgan moved to approve the Current Use Releases for Lots 1, 2, and 5 Hickory Lane for a total warrant of \$46,800. Second – K. Forrest; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

7. Financial Update

The Board reviewed the Expenditure Report from the Town Administrator. Based on that report, the Town was \$174,000 under budget as of December 31, 2014. There is approximately \$3,000 in expenses for 2014 included on the manifest; there may be a few minor bills still outstanding. The Town Administrator projected it would not go under \$150,000. Any remaining funds will roll over into the Undesignated Fund Balance.

8. Approval of Minutes: Monday, December 29, 2014

MOTION: V. Morgan moved to approve the minutes from Monday, December 29, 2014. Second – K. Forrest; four in favor, one abstain (J. McDevitt). MOTION CARRIED

9. Other Business

Correspondence: A thank you letter was received from the State commending the Town's participation in the Seabrook Station hostile-action-based exercise.

Memorial Day Parade

MOTION: V. Morgan moved to approve the Memorial Day Parade for Monday, May 25, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. Second – J. McDevitt; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

Southeast Watershed Alliance Quarterly Meeting: M. Sodini's last meeting with the Southeast Watershed Alliance will be Wednesday, February 04, 2015. A Selectman will have to be appointed to replace him. The Town Administrator explained that the committee studies regional outfall from larger cities into the Seacoast area.

M. Sodini left the meeting on an emergency call.

III. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2015
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1. Payroll Manifest 01

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to approve Payroll Manifest 01 in the amount of \$43,984.95. Second – V. Morgan; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

2. General Fund Manifest 01

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to approve General Fund Manifest 01 in the amount of \$181,068.42. Second – J. McDevitt; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

3. Medical Deductible Expendable Trust Manifest 01

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to approve Medical Deductible Expendable Trust Manifest 01 in the amount of \$1,751.60. Second – J. McDevitt; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

4. Police Special Revenue Fund Manifest 01

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to approve Police Special Revenue Fund Manifest 01 in the amount of \$527.90. Second – V. Morgan; all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to enter into non-public session at 7:50 p.m. Second – V. Morgan; all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to return to public session at 8:32 p.m. Second – V. Morgan; all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

Debbie Beck addressed the Board about being served a warrant late at night because two of her horses got out. She felt the Animal Control ordinance opened a can of worms. D. Beck was told she could submit a warrant article to amend the ordinance; until then, the police were obligated to enforce it. She also commented on the speed people travel in that area.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: K. Forrest moved to adjourn at 8:48 p.m. Second – V. Morgan; all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

NEXT MEETING

Monday, January 26, 2015 – 7:00 p.m., Town Hall Conference Room

Respectfully Submitted – Charlotte Hussey, Secretary to the Boards

Approved: Monday, January 12, 2015