

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 5, 1995

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen.

PRESENT: Chm. John C. Monteith, Robert C. Fay and Dennis G. Abbott.

Also present: Selectmen's Assistant Dwayne Morin, Parks & Rec. Chm. Robert Gobeil, RWS Rep. Frank Allen, Town Structure Comm. members Art Smith and Gus Cook.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**PARKS & RECREATION COMM.:** Bob Gobeil asked the Board to sign the request for transfer of money in case there is a skating rink. Bob told the Board that they had already approved of the transfer several weeks ago, but he needed something in writing. He told the Board that the committee is looking at putting a skating rink at the Lion's Field where there are lights. Sel. Abbott question why did the Board have to approve the transfer, it was voted at Town Meeting a certain amount for grounds maintenance and payroll was broken out for accounting purposes only, didn't feel the committee needed permission to transfer the funds.

**DWAYNE MORIN:** Dwayne discussed the following with the Board:

- **Septic Waste:** Dwayne attended the meeting last night and it was reported that the towns will not be shut off in June. It won't be until the fall. Have hired another engineering firm and they were very receptive to the idea of the seventeen towns helping out. By early Spring hopefully will have a plan in place. Agree also to look into going with 25 year contracts with the towns. Southern Maine Regional Planning will be holding a meeting in January to keep everyone informed.
- **EPA letter:** Town received a letter regarding an open house for super fund money. The Waterboro landfill is on the list. Dwayne has contacted them and within 1 or 2 years they will be looking at the landfill.
- **Dr. Peterson:** Two new letters were received this week in regards to the letter that he received from Atty. Harry Center. He wants the town to give him \$725.00 for defrauding him. He also didn't like the way Atty. Center wrote a letter, it was a waste of taxpayers money. Board agreed to turn the letters over to Atty. Center and also send copies of the letters to the Sheriff Dept. and the State Police.
- **Assessing Board of Review:** Dwayne Woodsome has requested to go before the Assessing Board of Review. Dwayne asked the Board if they think it is advantages to have an attorney present. Sel. Fay stated yes. Sel. Fay also added that the Assessing Board of Review may need to meet with the atty. before the meeting where it is a new Board and their first time meeting. Sel. Abbott feels anything that can be given to the members before is important and only get an attorney involved if it goes further. Chm. Monteith agrees with Sel. Abbott.
- Dwayne has received a request from someone who lives in Beaver Ridge that works for Tom's of Maine to have a dump sticker.

The problem is that he usually has a different truck every 2 to 4 weeks. He would like a dump sticker for each vehicle. Board voted not to issue him a dump sticker, but he can purchase a laminated sticker for household waste only, no commercial waste and it is to be put on the laminated sticker for household waste only.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

DIANNE HOLDEN: Dianne Holden and Bertha McAloon was present and was in to discuss the three positions. Dianne told the Board that terms need to be set because papers need to be available on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Sel. Abbott asked about staggering the terms and Sel. Fay felt it was not mentioned only to be elected. Chm. Monteith added the only thing with having elections in March is will have until July 1<sup>st</sup> to put into place. Sel. Abbott suggests having one year terms then change at town meeting. Sel. Fay added need town meeting approval for funding and also set terms. Chm. Monteith added also salaries, terms and benefits need to be discussed. Sel. Fay asked what happens if no one takes out papers can someone be appointed? Sel. Fay asked what do we present at town meeting, with Town Clerk recommendation, Selectmen's recommendation and Finance Committee recommendation. Sel. Abbott suggests going with Dianne's recommendation and then will have the Selectmen's and Finance Comm. recommendation also. Need to have a starting point. Chm. Monteith also stated will need a salary range. Sel. Abbott added one issue is elected three separate position which today is one elected for all three positions and staff two positions which are hired. Dianne's proposal is that Tax Collector serves another role and make the fourth positions an appointed position. Sel. Fay suggests go with three positions and then one for manager. Sel. Abbott added need to be ready to elect three people, no terms decided but precedence is for three year terms, which will need to be dissolved at town meeting. Chm. Monteith asked will the positions require thirty hours a week. Sel. Abbott stated that his perception is Town Clerk and Tax Collector is full time, not sure of Treasurer. Sel. Fay asked if Dianne thought people will attend public hearings and Dianne told the Board that she thinks that it is a good idea. Sel. Fay suggests having members at the Council Meeting discuss it at Dec. meeting and then in January hold a couple of Public Hearings to see what the people expect. Sel. Fay feels that town meeting funding is going to determine the hours. Dianne told the Board that the funding is self supporting. She also told the Board that she or Dwayne can call MMA for advice. Sel. Fay stated not just MMA but state statutes also. Sel. Fay asked how important would it be to have all positions at the town office. Sel. Abbott added that the treasurer could come in for example one to one and one half days a week. Dianne would like to see the person do filing, answer the telephone etc. Vote from a town meeting only goes from one meeting to another, only ordinances carry over. Sel. Fay also added the article's need to be written to open the door for discussion at town meeting. Sel. Abbott suggests papers for one year terms. Chm. Monteith agrees. Sel. Fay does not want to lock into three year terms.

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Council Meeting will be discussion with committee members on what they would like to see. Sel. Abbott state will be electing three positions and without control over adding to the position. Need administrative ordinance to spell out duties. Need an article for four positions and one for administrative ordinance. Need to decide also either referendum or warrant article. Sel. Fay suggested sending a three or four page mailer to the Council Meeting members to look at before Council Meeting. Sel. Fay added that the ordinance needs to have hours in the town office, office hours, and other duties. Dwayne asked the Board that everyone seems to be coming from the same direction, why not have a referendum vote to appoint the positions instead of electing.

Gus Cook at this time told the Board that his committee has done their report and would like to meet with the Board next week to discuss it.

**BUDGETS:** Dwayne told the Board that the town is looking at a \$300,000. Increase to SAD #57 budget which would be a 12% increase for the Town. With that increase and the budget requests submitted, means a three mill increase in taxes. The budget is flat funded as last year. The waste disposal is figured at \$129. a ton. Sel. Fay asked if there is a need for a 40 hour a week Code Enforcement Officer. Dwayne told the Board that the CEO has two jobs, one is for permits and one is for enforcement and for enforcement would need a 40 hour a week CEO. Dwayne told the Board that there is a tremendous amount of zoning violations out there on past buildings. Sel. Fay asked what about present and Dwayne told the Board zero violations. Sel. Abbott asked Dwayne to do a profile on what building has been done in past three years. Sel. Fay and Chm. Monteith both feel need a CEO but not 40 hours a week. Dwayne told the Board that Tim has only been putting in 30 hours a week. Parks & Rec. budget. Board told Bob Gobeil that they need to look at doing away with the bonuses. Also discussed the used truck and director in their budget. Fire Dept., Board will officially send a letter to let them know that in accordance with the contract they need to provide financial statements. Stump dump, Board voted to burn the stump pile to get it cleaned up. Roads. Sel. Fay asked if anyone else has put in a price on the road projects and Dwayne told him no. Sel. Fay stated that the Board needs to sit down with the Road Commission and have a meeting with him to let him know that he can't hire contractors without the Board's approval first. Need some control over it. Dwayne reminded the Board that the road accounts are running low. There is no money for spring maintenance and possibly looking at holding a Special Town Meeting. Sel. Abbott added that the Board has had Fred in and he is aware. Dwayne reduced the amount on the Webber Road because there is \$15,000 already in the account. Sel. Abbott feels both Ossipee Hill road and Middle Road & Clarks Bridge Road can wait, not high in traffic. Sel. Fay would like figures on roads for traffic count for town meeting. Dwayne also reminded the Board that they need to keep an eye on surplus. Make sure that there is not a lot taken out to offset raising taxation money.

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**SIGNED:**

The Board signed the warrant for payment of bills and payroll.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The motion for adjournment was made at 9:35 p.m.

approved:

John M. ...  
Robert ...  
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