

**SELECTMEN MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 1998**

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen. Attending: Dennis Abbott, Dale Witman, Brenda Charland, Claire Poissant, Patti Berry, Willis Lord.

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 P.M. Open discussion. Mr. and Mrs. Binette discussed with the Board of Selectmen the road work projects planned for next year and suggested we take road projects out to bid. Would like the pole at the end of West Shore Road to be moved because it causes a site problem.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Invoice from Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson was reviewed and signed for payment.
2. Letter from CMP regarding a new form for acquiring electrical service was reviewed and signed.
3. Memo from Dianne Holden regarding outstanding dump billings was discussed. No resolution came from the discussion.
4. Memo from Dianne Holden regarding the town tractor account being overdrawn is discussed. The reason for starting the town tractor account was to track the expenses related to the tractor. It technically is a sub-account of the roads and bridges account. That is where the money for the town tractor comes from. It was split off from that account for tracking only.

Brenda Charland asks at this time about use of town sand. Do was allow contractors to use it. Dennis states that we do not, it is for town use or private use for driveways. Brenda knows of contractors who use it. It will be dealt with.

5. Request from Fred Fay for an article to trade the town tractor and lease a new one. The one we have has 3,000 hours on it now. The Board said this could be discussed at a later date and that this did not have to go to town meeting that they have the authority to approve or disapprove this agreement.
6. The Taylor House Committee requested to have a food table at town meeting. The Board approved this request.
7. Request from Rebekah Lodge for a craft table at town meeting. The Board approved this request.
8. The donee list for receiving state surplus property was updated with Dale Witman's and Brenda Charland's signatures.
9. Patti has a question regarding emergency food vouchers that were honored by stores that they were not made out to. There were six of them with one being for an amount of \$56.82 when the voucher was for \$50.00. Dale Witman made the motion to honor the vouchers and send a reminder letter that in the future we will not honor them and that in the case of the over charged voucher to pay only the \$50.00 allowed amount.

There is no second to this motion. Brenda Charland made the motion to send the vouchers back marked invalid and if they dispute this decision to contact the Board of Selectmen. Dennis Abbott seconds. Motion carries with a vote of 2-1-0 in favor. A second issue with these vouchers is that there are over 60 of them that have not been cashed yet. After some discussion, Dennis Abbott suggests that a letter from this office to out to all those who have not cashed them in to state our disappointment that the voucher was not cashed and that they were meant to help in an emergency situation and perhaps they could return the voided voucher.

10. Two town hall use applications are approved, one for Richelle Hammond for April 5 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and one for Diane Meade for April 5 for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
11. Two violation questions from Rob Baker. Rob received a request for a letter of no enforcement from an individual checking on map 29 lot 5. The board decided that no letter to that degree will be sent. If the lot is being purchased and a survey turns up a violation, it will be dealt with in the same manner that is allowed in the zoning ordinance. Either they bring the violation into compliance or go to the zoning Board of Appeals or enter into a Consent Agreement with the Selectmen. The second question is regarding an illegal tire dump where the owner would like to wait till spring thaw to clean it up and preferably to wait till we have our spring clean up day. The selectmen would like Rob to negotiate a date for removal of the tires as soon as it thaws. Explain that they can be taken to the dump for a fee and explain that the board of Selectmen would consider negotiating the fee.
12. Complaint received by Patti regarding a misprinting on the Town Planner calendar stating that late fees for dog licenses will be charged after February 8th when in fact it is February 1st. The Selectmen told Patti to call the woman back and tell her this is not in their authority to do anything. It is a state law and the town clerk is in charge of that department.
13. Patti asked about replacing broken tables in the hall. She will get a count on the broken ones and how many we have, and get a price on them.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Question on personal days on the new personnel policy. Employees would like to be able to take half days in the instances of Dr.'s appointments. The Board agreed that this would be in the best interest to allow half days. A draft amendment to the personnel policy will be sent around to all employees and this will be voted on February 24th. Employee input will be requested.
2. A public hearing is set for February 24 at 7 p.m. to go over proposed tax title property ordinance. Council meeting is changed from February 19th to February 24th after the public hearing. Dale Witman requested to present Pam L'Heureux and Bob Bohlman with a plaque for their service during the storm. The Board agrees.
3. The warrant will be gone over on the meeting set for February 18th. Dale Witman makes suggestions for articles. Dale states that we need a follow up article in the event that the one regarding terms of office fails. Dale made the motion to have an article stating that "To see if the Town will vote for the terms of office of elected officials commence on the day following election to take affect the year 1999."

Motion fails for lack of a second. The Board decided to get an opinion from Karen Lovell regarding the wording on these articles or should there be one open ended article giving the townspeople the choice of election terms.

Dale Witman made the motion to add an article "Shall the town vote to raise \$4,000. For the purchase of two small trailers to carry the newly acquired generators. Motion fails for lack of a second. It is decided that we will wait until we actually get the generators so we know exactly what we are dealing with. Dennis Abbott suggests that we approach FEMA for funding for this.

Dale Witman made the motion to add an article "To see of the Town will vote to change the fiscal year back to a calendar year to begin the year January 2000." Motion fails for lack of a second. Dennis Abbott states that this has been brought before the town twice by referendum vote and was soundly denied.

OTHER

1. Willis Lord brings to the attention of the Selectmen that the building fund account was not included in the town report.
2. Millard Genthner requested of the Board if they had decided to close the dump on the day of town meeting. Dale Witman made the motion to close the dump on March 14 for the reason of town meeting. Brenda Charland seconds. Motion passes with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor. Patti will print some flyers to be handed out at the dump by Friday.
3. Brenda Charland stated at this time that the Board thinks that Claire Poissant did a fine job on the Town Report.

SIGNED

The Waterboro Board of Selectmen signed the Warrant for Bills and Payroll. They also signed the following:

1. Selectmen minutes
2. DOT revised project form is signed.
3. Appointment papers for Warden and Deputy Warden are signed.
4. Two background checks are signed.

APPROVED
Date: 2/17/98

