

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

January 26, 1999

Regular meeting of the Waterboro Board of Selectmen. Attending: Dale Witman, Willis Lord, Brenda Charland, Patti Berry, Brenda Huntress, Millard Genthner, Fred Fay, Frank Allen, Dwayne Woodsome, Nancy Brandt, Dianne Holden, Mike Curly, Don Day, Bob Fay, Jason L'Heureux, Carol Look, David Benton, Beverly Sinclair

Dale opened the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

David Abbott - Request for Dealer Vehicle Registration: Dale states that David is in compliance with the Code Enforcement Office and motions to authorize him to process registrations. Willis seconds. Vote 3-0-0 in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Hardship abatements relative to Executive Session held on 1/12: Willis motioned to give the abatement as agreed. Dale seconded. Vote 3-0-0 in favor.

Vote on Referendum Question for Elected Officials: Brenda Charland notes that the breakdown on the relationships between the two offices is unfortunate. Her reluctance to meet on a Tuesday was because this is the Selectmen's business night and there is a need for undivided attention to this situation. Brenda notes that the Selectmen have tried to set up meetings and have been cooperative. Dale states that the Selectmen have offered to reschedule any other meetings to coordinate with the elected officials.

Brenda motioned that we request of the three elected officials that they meet with us any six days of the week other than Tuesday or submit correspondence in writing. Brenda states the situation needs to be addressed and the Selectmen need to take a leadership role. Patti states that a petition with a certain number of signatures can take this to a special town meeting. Brenda states that the Selectmen have tried everything and that maybe it is time for the townspeople to handle. Dale agrees to a special. Brenda made the motion that they submit correspondence in writing. Dale seconded. Vote 2-0-0. Willis opposed.

Brenda motioned that we rescind the original motion to send that to referendum and that the Board of Selectmen will seek to address a referendum at a special this summer regarding the positions of Tax Collector, Town Clerk and Treasurer. Brenda further states that throughout the town she has heard that townspeople are not impressed with what is going on across the hall. Willis states that it is too important to have on a special Town Meeting. Bob Fay states that he feels that because this is a change to the town, it should not go to a special but should go before Town Meeting.

Dwayne states the town should come up with a personnel policy for elected officials with specific guidelines. Bob Fay states we will have to contact the lawyer for specifications for qualifications for the Treasurer position. There is discussion regarding putting an article on the warrant for discussion "retain elected status or remain elected status". Don Day suggests further research and background before going forward.

Bob Fay notes that at some point an ordinance has to go before Town Meeting for elected officials specifying vacations, sick time, etc. and that the townspeople aren't aware of the situation.

Dale motions to table the referendum questions and continue to attempt to meet with elected officials to come up with administrative ordinance, personnel policy, or set up a committee for recommendations. Dale wants to continue to pursue communications. Willis suggests meeting Tuesday night at 7:00 the week after next. Brenda agreed and noted that if it runs over it can go into a continuation until Wednesday.

Brenda Charland motions to accept Selectmen's Minutes 1/19 to be amended stating that she was present at the 1/19 Selectmen's Meeting and will accept the minutes stating this change. Vote 3-0-0.

Brenda Charland motions to accept Selectmen's Minutes of 1/12 noting that due to the fact that the paperwork wasn't ready, the abatements weren't voted on and signed at Executive Session and that this will be done at a future meeting. Vote 3-0-0

SIGNED

1. The Board of Selectmen signed the Warrants for bills and payroll.
2. Maine Line Charters - Foxwoods Trip
3. Hardship Abatements
4. Concealed Weapons Permits
5. Motor Vehicle Dealer Registration Application for David Abbott

APPROVED

Date: 2-23-99

Dale A. Weston
Brenda Charland
Willis A. Lord