

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
November 9, 2000

PRESENT: Edie & Al Hutchinson, Patricia Lamontagne, Barbara Clegg, Donna Johnson, Patricia McHugh, Tammy Wells, Pam L'Heureux, Teresa & Russell Lowell, Beth Cyr, Jason L'Heureux, Hedy Smith, Clyde M. Smith, Denise & Dean Waterhouse, Fred Fay, Frank Tarazewich, Robert Wang, Bob Gobeil, Willis Lord, Brenda Charland, Bob Fay & Wendy Carter.

Willis opened the meeting at 7:05. Bob Gobeil, town Moderator, presented the results of the election.

Referendum #1 Charter Commission 1350 Yes 997 No

Brenda Charland	1327
Bob Fay	1413
Doug Foglio	1184
Paul Kussman	981
Theresa Lowell	1050
Don Mondor	1033

Selectman

Bob Fay	1260
Eric Herrle	687
Pat McHugh	601

Referendum #2 Snowplow 1373 Yes 1124 No

Referendum #3 Public Safety 1377 Yes 1169 No

Referendum #4 Recall 1321 Yes 1068 No

Referendum #5 Town Hall 1318 Yes 1137 1137 No

There were no announcements made from the floor. Other reminders are listed on the agenda.

APPOINTMENTS

7:20 p.m. – Cemetery Committee. Al Hutchinson presented background information on the cemeteries: 122 cemeteries are located in Waterboro. 14 are cared for by the town. 108 are labeled as 'ancient' or abandoned. Ancient cemeteries were established before 1880. The ROTC and trustees from the York County jail help remove brush and clean the sites. Edie Hutchinson added that it is decreed by the state that the sites of veterans are to be maintained with a flag and a holder. Maintenance of the burial sites requires mowing and cutting brush at least twice a year. 49 cemeteries are located close to the roads but there are 28 located deep in the woods. The Hutchinsons are requesting that the town take over the maintenance of these sites as they are retiring. Revolutionary War vets—32. 1812 War vets—15. Civil War vets—102. Spanish American War/ Mexican War vets—3. There are many WW I, WW II and Vietnam War vets. Willis discussed the formulation of a Commission and a possible budget. Brenda offered appreciation to the Hutchinsons for the work they have done in this area. Bob Gobeil mentioned that the Parks and Rec department has maintained 5 cemeteries in the town. This money has come from the Parks and Rec budget. The Historical Society is separate from the Town of Waterboro. It was asked if the cemeteries should be placed under the Parks and Rec department. Edie suggested not to do this. The costs of equipment should be included in any budget for the cemeteries. Brenda suggested that

Dennis Abbott be consulted in cemetery issues. The budget for this area should be complete by January. It should be included as a new and separate warrant for the March meeting. No herbicides have been used to date in the controlling of the growth in these areas. Maps are available for the location of the burial sites. Ownership of the ancient cemeteries have reverted back to the town as generations have not maintained them. It was acknowledged that Don Day has constructed fences around many of the sites. Willis mentioned that an article and warrant are needed.

Willis introduced Frank Tarazawich State Representative from District 12. Brenda discussed that the Democratic party needs ballot clerks. Frank will organize the Democrats. Frank congratulated Willis on running a clean campaign. Willis also congratulated Mike McAlevey on his new position as State Senator.

Barbara Clegg addressed the Selectmen requesting a letter of "No Intent" needed for the buyer. The buyer would then follow up with any required meetings or information. Nancy O'Hern is planning to purchase the Clegg home. They are running out of time and money. Willis made a motion to OK the letter of "No Action" with much regret. There will be a penalty of \$1.00. Brenda seconded this motion with great reservation. Vote 2-0-0. Doug Foglio added that a variance may not be possible due to the fact that they made their own hardship. The Cleggs offered to make a contribution to the cemetery fund of \$500.00.

Bob Fay was sworn in as Selectman by Bob Gobeil. The minutes of the Selectmen's meeting of 11-9-00 were signed and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Brenda made a motion to authorize the town attorney to proceed with action against Robert Hindle regarding the letter of 9-11-00. Doug added that a series of major code and subdivision violations had been issued to Mr. Hindle. These letters indicate ways of correcting the violations but Mr. Hindle requested a meeting between the Planning Board and the Selectmen. He suggested that the Selectmen act on this issue. Bob Fay seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0.
2. Brenda mentioned that \$2500 was appropriated for the transfer station.
3. Brenda wishes to discuss at the next Selectmen's meeting the possible increase in the hourly rate for sanders and plowmen.
4. The Tax Collector's position has been advertised. Kathy Fagan (the present secretary for the CEO and Planning Board) will be trained to take over this position.
5. The Recycling Committee will discuss the results of their survey taken at the election.
6. The Board of Selectmen will appoint three members to the Charter Commission. This must be done within 30 days following the election.
7. The Selectmen must plan a workshop to develop a budget. They will need to create a position of Taping the public meetings. She expressed appreciation to Tim Neill for the work he has done in this area. She mentioned that all committees need to meet in the Town Hall and be taped.
This position would have to set up the equipment and mail the video. She wondered if this could be incorporated with the secretary's position. Some issues were discussed regarding the complexities of taping the committees. Willis mentioned that the town committees take priority over other meetings in the town hall.
8. Brenda mentioned that the gate on Bagley Road be kept open or the gate should come down. Bob made a motion to eliminate the gate. Willis seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0. A considerable amount of money has been spent on Bagley Road.

9. Mark Ford has offered to work on the CDG. (Community Development Grant.)
10. Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission met with Scott and Willis regarding Architectural Skylights. Skilled labor and land is needed. Willis is willing to do all that is necessary to keep the business in town.

Hedy Smith applauded the town for supporting small businesses.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Brenda to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0.

SIGNED:

APPROVED

Date: 11/22/00

Willis A. Ford

Brenda Chauland