

## **SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**

**March 20, 2001**

**PRESENT:** Willis Lord, Bob Fay, Brenda Charland, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Jason L'Heureux, Carole Cochran, Russell & Teresa Lowell, Dean & Denise Waterhouse, Patricia McHugh, Don Drew, Paul L'Heureux, John Littlefield, Fred Fay, Mark & Beth Cyr, Steve Kasprzak, Larry Jacobsen, Shawn Shoemaker, Bob Gobeil, & David Benton.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Motion by Brenda to approve the minutes of 3/13 as presented and seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

7:30 P.M. – Dale Witman requested that the Selectmen bring back the request from York County Shelter from the annual town meeting to the June Special Town Meeting. Bob stated that he had found several years ago that General Assistance could send a resident to a motel cheaper than the shelter. Brenda explained all the services of York County Shelters. Motion by Bob to place on the warrant for June and seconded by Brenda. Larry felt it should go through the regular channels ie. Finance Committee. Vote 3-0-0. Also requested that the board look into changing the fees for the Zoning Board of Appeals so they are self-supporting. Did not feel that the tax payers should be paying for people to get variances and go before the ZBA. Bob suggested discussing this during a workshop and questioned what the suggested fee would be. Stated that it would have to be a zoning change. Brenda stated that the fees have not been looked at in a number of years and it should probably be done. Discussed the gate on Bagley Road Extension. Bob directed the Road Commissioner to take a Deputy with him and to remove the gate by whatever means necessary.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion by Brenda that they appoint Frank Birkemose Jr. to the Road Review Committee and seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0.
2. Motion by Willis to accept the Bond Bank order as presented by Ron Epstein, Attorney. Seconded by Bob. Vote 2-0-1. Brenda abstained due to not having the opportunity to read the order.
3. Discussed putting the state police and sheriff's dept. on the Council Meeting agenda. Recently received a letter from the state police stating that they would assign a trooper to attend a meeting once a month. Motion by Bob that a letter be sent to both departments informing them of the date and time of our next Council Meeting.
4. Bob reminded Willis that he had offered to go to Alfred with Skip Baker. Willis stated that he has spoken with Mrs. Baker and they can only go on Fridays because of Mr. Baker's work schedule. Mr. Baker is researching a Right of Way as well as he feels the town is infringing on his property. Will do the research at the court house as soon as they can get together.
5. Motion by Bob and seconded by Willis to place an article on the warrant for the June Special Town Meeting to have the Annual Town Meeting moved to the last Saturday in April. Brenda felt this should be discussed at a Council Meeting before placing on the warrant. Vote 3-0-0.
6. Discussed representatives to Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission. Need to find out if John Monteith is still attending these meetings. Will find out and bring back next week.
7. Shawn Shoemaker presented the keys to the new Fire Station to Willis and Willis then turned them over to John Littlefield, Fire Chief. Announced the John is the Town of Waterboro's first full-time fire chief. Steve Kasprzak explained the two add-ons which were approved by the Selectmen. Stated that the project came in within budget and will actually have a balance of

approximately \$5,800. Presented a certificate of completion signed by the architect to the selectmen. Also thanked Shawn for the job that he did on behalf of the town.

8. Discussed action items which came out of town meeting. Stated that the dog ordinance has been referred to the safety committee. Brenda recommended getting ads out for committees as soon as possible so they can be ready for July 1<sup>st</sup>. Will formulate a list for next week. Reported that they will be working on the contract deputy in a workshop. Discussed the remodeling of Center Station to be used as a meeting hall. Town meeting recommended that a committee made up of the Road Commissioner, Road Review Committee and Building Committee come back to the June Special with a recommendation. Reported that the fire station on Bennett Hill Road is to be offered back to the Wakefield family for \$1.00.

**OTHER**

1. Bob requested permission to get the town report started right after the change in the fiscal year and that he be directly involved. Would like to have more current information when they go out, not have the information a year behind.
2. Discussed the meeting on Saturday at the Alfred Town Hall regarding County Government. Approximately 80 attended. They are looking into keeping more of the transfer tax fees within the county. They could generate a tremendous amount by doing this. Discussed the possibility of the state taking over all the jails thereby saving the county government a great deal of money.
3. Discussed a letter received from Pinkham & Greer regarding the proposal from Francis Edward Wood for a car wash, lube, Laundromat and café on Hamilton Road.
4. Bob reminded of the Comprehensive Plan Update meeting to be held on Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.
5. Dale reported on the County Budget and the reasons for the large increase.
6. Motion by Brenda to accept the job description for Fire Chief/Line Officer as presented by the Safety Committee. Seconded by Bob. Vote 3-0-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

**SIGNED:**

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 3/8/01 & 3/13/01
2. Appointment Papers
3. CMP Pole location permit

**APPROVED**

Date: 3/27/01

Wells A. Lord  
Robert Fay