

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2003

PRESENT: Douglas Foglio, Sr., Willis Lord, Eric Herrle, Pam Witman, Chauncey Gerry, Russ & Teresa Lowell, Dean & Denise Waterhouse, Bob & Ruth Jones, Bob Fay, Clint Andrews, Danny Laskey, Elaine & Richard Pellerin, Frank Allen, Mike DeAngelis, Don Boillard, Sgt. Dave Chauvette, Jon Gale & Sue Dunlap.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silence for the astronauts and the passing of Selectmen Lord's wife Barbara.

APPOINTMENTS

7:00 - Held Public Hearing on the renewal request for salvage yards owned by Robert & Ruth Jones on Route 202 as well as one operated by Danny Laskey on Goodwins Mill Road. Hearing no comment the hearing was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. Motion by Willis and seconded by Eric to approve the renewal of the Junkyard Permit of Robert & Ruth Jones. Voted. Passed. Motion by Willis and seconded by Eric to approve the renewal of the Junkyard Permit of Danny Laskey. Voted. Passed.

7:15 - Jon Gale addressed the board requesting that Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission be allowed to copy the digitized tax maps. They would come here and burn a copy. They would be willing to sign an agreement that it will only be used for Waterboro and would return the disk once completed. He also reviewed where the committee is in the process and what's coming up. Explained the purpose of the Comprehensive Plan. Doug addressed the issue of the requested CD. Thought that someone was supposed to be present from Sebago Tech. Eric stated that he is not sure if it is copyrighted or not but it will be. Doug stated that there is no copyright on it yet but it will be. The disk that we have now is only for approval, not the final product. Willis expressed concern about something happening to the disk if someone else is copying it. This is our only copy. Doug stated that he has no opposition to SMRPC having a copy we just need to wait until we have a complete one.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Board agreed to postpone the vote on the resignation of Gary Fecteau from the Public Safety Committee until next week.
2. Discussed the possibility of doing a complete revaluation of the town. Doug stated that if the current budget passes as requested that taxes would increase by approximately \$7 per thousand. Feels it is time to address this. Willis stated that it is a sellers market right now but if the economy changes then this property might not sell for what it's valued at. Questioned how long it would take and how we would pay for it. If it is a lengthy period of time the information would be outdated by the time it was completed and entered into the computer. Eric felt they need to have a discussion with the Assessor. Would

like to schedule a meeting with the Assessor and perhaps include someone from MMA. Doug explained services that are available to help do a revaluation. Also need to get some help for the Assessor. Elaine Pellerin stated that she found, when she lived in Saco, that when a reassessment was done her taxes actually went down. Bob Fay stated that it can work that way sometimes but in other instances they do go up or stay the same.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussed when to hold Staff Meetings. Eric suggested closing at 4 p.m. on a given Tuesday and holding staff meeting from then until 7 p.m. Would probably do this quarterly. The way it is done currently is not sufficient to accomplish anything. Doug agreed that it needs to change but not on a Tuesday. Felt that perhaps it could be another day. Willis agreed it should be longer but if done quarterly and advertised well would work even on a Tuesday.

HEARING OF DELEGATION

Dean Waterhouse addressed the board questioning his having to bring his personal loader to the snow dump and push his own snow over the bank. Willis thought that was meant for Hannaford not everyone. Didn't like the idea of people bringing in tractors, feels they should charge for the town tractor to push it over. Doug explained that it is usually done at night and would have to pay overtime to have an employee there. Eric didn't feel that Hannaford should be in there at night when the dump is closed. Concerned about the liability of someone being in there when it is closed. Doug felt that this is being very unfriendly to business. Perhaps they should find another place to dump. Frank Allen question if there is liability to the town. If this is coming from parking lots there's probably oil in it. Doug explained that that's why it's being put into the pit, there are monitoring wells at that location. Bob Fay stated that snow is very dirty and they need to be very careful where they dump it. Doug explained that if you want to change with Hannaford you will need to do it during their contract process as they contract out for snow removal. Will put this on agenda for discussion in three weeks.

Mike DeAngelis reported that he has received the contract on the grant for the work to be done at Gobeil Park. Hopes to have this signed this week. Explained that the grant is for \$50,000 and the project will probably cost approximately \$80,000. The balance can be covered by the town and volunteers doing the work themselves. Wants this contract signed no later than the end of February. Expressed sympathy at the recent passing of Guy Litalien. Reviewed upcoming programs.

Sgt. Dave Chauvette reminded that it is illegal to plow snow across a road. There is a fine of \$93.00 for this and he will be writing tickets. Also reminded everyone that they need to have 4" reflective numbers adhered to their house and if they don't know what their number is they can call Town Hall and find out.

OTHER

1. Doug read a request from Kevin Nelson to have his discussion in an open meeting and not in Executive Session as previously scheduled. Elaine Pellerin then addressed the board stating that she feels that the Animal Control Officer is not doing his job and not writing summons to the Bryants when he does others. Feels that the ACO is not enforcing the state laws or town ordinances. Questioned why it took him over 2 years to fine the Bryant's. Mrs. Pellerin requested to be placed on next weeks agenda. Doug stated that the board should get a written response from the ACO and have time to review all material. Eric stated that it is up to the Selectmen to investigate this thoroughly. Motion by Eric to conclude this item.
2. Motion by Willis and seconded by Eric to accept the minutes of 1/14/03 as written. Vote 2-0-1 with Doug abstaining as he was not present for that meeting.
3. Explained that Judy Fay was appointed to the SAD #57 Board of Directors until 6/30/03 at this time there will be an election to complete the term of Bill Griffin of one year. There are two positions open this year.
4. Eric read the reminders of upcoming meetings.
5. Went into Executive Session for a personnel issue at 9:10 p.m.
6. Out of Executive Session at 9:35 p.m. and stated that they will take this under advisement.
7. Received a call regarding the status of plowing private roads. Will put this on the agenda in three weeks.
8. Discussed the fire pond. At this point they don't know what if anything is happening. Willis stated that the contractor has filed bankruptcy. Will have Nancy get copies of everything received from the attorney and put on next weeks agenda for discussion. Discussed subdivisions not up to standards or completed.
9. Reminded of the meeting at 3 p.m. tomorrow in Alfred regarding Ross Corner Fire Company.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Doug and seconded by Willis to adjourn at 9:43 p.m.

SIGNED:

Warrant for Bills and Payroll

1. Minutes of 1/14/03
2. Appointment papers

APPROVED

Date

