

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2006

ATTENDING: Douglas Foglio, Sr., Robert Fay, Cindy Moore, Jon Gale, Dwayne Woodsome, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, Jonathan Raymond, Ken Cole, Ron Perro, Fran Wheeler, Jack Seery, Willis Lord, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Don & Ginny Day, Judy & Jim Carll, Deb Downs, Clint Andrews, David Woodsome, Dean & Denise Waterhouse, Ray Davis, Linda Hanscom, Evan Grover, Tim Coyne, Fred Fay, Don & Darthea Drew, and many others interested in a conservation land trust.

Selectman Foglio called the Public Hearing for the creation of a Conservation Trust to order at 7:02 p.m. Selectman Fay explained that he has been wanting this for several years to prevent the land from being sold. Ken explained the draft that he had prepared regarding the formation of the land trust. Explained that usually this is initiated by citizens therefore the interest is already there but since the Selectmen have initiated this one they need volunteers to serve as members or trustees. Private citizens would also be able to put parcels into this trust. Selectman Foglio stated that because of the charter the Selectmen could sell town property as they saw fit without the citizens having any say and this trust would prevent that. A number of those present showed interest in being part of the trust. Ken explained that the membership would adopt the by-laws and what he has drawn up is just something to go by. Explained that the trust would be able to sell the property but only with a 2/3 majority of the membership and 2/3 majority of the trustees. Explained that it would cost virtually nothing to get started or to maintain once established. Selectman Foglio stated that if money is an issue then perhaps they could put an item on the warrant for start up funds. The trustees will set the standards for the land to be accepted into the land trust. Discussed liability as well as allowed permitted uses and restrictions. Selectman Fay suggested that the Taylor House should also be protected for the future. Hearing closed at 7:45 pm.

Selectman Foglio called the Public Hearing to order at 7:45 pm regarding the petition on Pay Per Bag. Willis stated that this will be clear, if you vote yes you will have Pay Per Bag and if you vote no you will not have Pay Per Bag. The vote will be held on Friday, April 21st. Showed the cost with Pay Per Bag vs without Pay Per Bag as well as the recycling rates. Clint reported that \$102,450 in bags have been sold to date, \$48,000 at the Transfer Station and \$54,450 sold in the stores. Have seen an income of \$35,680.84 to date. Have saved \$118,377.88 in tipping fees and \$15,345 in trucking for a total saving of \$133,722.88. Have 25% of last years budget and if they use some after expenses could have as much as 45% left at the end of the year. Have taken in approximately \$11,000 from RWS on things we're selling in there. Recycling rate is at 41% but will drop this month then increase again next month. Explained that there are approximately 25 tons unaccounted for in one month. Dean questioned what part of the budget the building cam from. Was explained that it came from the capital improvement, money allocated to do this building. Have spent \$30,419.21 this year but some was spent out of last years budget. Jack Seery read a statement from Brigit McCallum regarding Pay Per Bag.

Richard Sevigny stated that he is not in favor of Pay Per Bag but is an avid recycler. Not pleased with the recycling setup and feels they could do much better. Selectman Foglio closed the hearing at 8:15 p.m.

Selectman Foglio opened the regular Selectmen's Meeting at 8:15 p.m

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Reported that the auditor will be here for a workshop next Tuesday at 3 pm.
2. Reported that in the first full month with the new bank the town earned over \$5,400 in interest which is an average of \$4,000 more per month than the previous bank
3. Reported that Sgt. Chauvette submitted a report but due to prior commitments was not able to attend this evening. Will be attending next weeks meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Woodsome and seconded by Selectman Moore to abate the taxes as discussed in the Executive Session last week. Vote unanimous.
2. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale that if there is a land trust that the Selectmen make available town owned land on Ossipee Hill Road, Federal Street, Moody Pond and Ossipee Pines to the land trust. Voted. Passed.
3. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Moore to extend the building permit from 6 months to one year. Voted. Passed.
4. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Moore to adopt the pay scale at mid-point as a starting point. Voted. Passed.
5. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale that the Selectmen recommend a yes vote on Pay Per Bag. Vote unanimous. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Gale that the Selectman recommend a yes vote to appropriate \$10,000 from taxation for the planning/development/land and/or construction of a new Waterboro Public Library with the balance at the end of the year to be applied to the existing Library New Building Account. Vote unanimous. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Woodsome that the Selectmen recommend a yes vote that the town appropriate \$25,000 from excise tax for the purchase of a command vehicle for the Waterboro Fire Dept. Vote 3-1-1 with Selectman Moore opposed and Selectman Gale abstaining. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Woodsome that the Selectmen recommend a yes vote that the town appropriate \$250,000 for the lease or purchase of a new tanker with terms of a down payment of \$35,000 and the balance to be repaid over a period of no longer than 10 years. Vote unanimous. Discussed the need for a new tanker. Pam L'Heureux stated that 2/3 of this town have no hydrants and need to haul water. Selectman Foglio stated that they haul water to every fire in town with or without hydrants.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Fay and seconded by Selectman Woodsome to contact the town Attorney to complete the paperwork to conclude the road closing on Route 202. Vote unanimous.

2. Nancy explained that we received a letter from Biddeford Savings Bank authorizing a line of credit up to \$1,000,000 in the event we need TAN money. Selectman Foglio stated that this is something that was never done by our previous bank.
3. Discussed the need to vote to override LD1 should the Pay Per Bag not pass.
4. Discussed scheduling a date for the first land trust meeting.

OTHER

1. Agreed to hold over the minutes from last week for next week as no one had the opportunity to review them.
2. Selectman Foglio read the reminders.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to adjourn at 8:55 pm.
Vote unanimous.

SIGNED:

Warrants for bills and payroll

APPROVED:

Date