

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
May 26, 2009

PRESENT: TammyJo Girard, Evan Grover, Dennis Abbott, Cindy Moore, Jon Gale, Pam Witman, David Lowe, David Benton, Bob Gobeil, Fred Fay, Pam L'Heureux, and Dustin Holden.

Opened meeting at 6:00 p.m. by Selectman Abbott with Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Abbott announced the meeting at the middle school at 7 pm on the school budget.

Selectman Abbott reminded everyone to keep recycling.

Selectman Grover thanked the Cemetery Committee and anyone else involved for their hard work placing the flags on Veteran's graves.

Selectman Gale commented on Raven Hill Orchards on Ossipee Hill Road and what a beautiful spot it is.

APPOINTMENTS

6:00 – Met with the Water District regarding the supplement to their contract. Selectman Abbott stated that because of the cut backs felt it necessary to move the balance of the district work out of the town hall. Dave Benton stated that their only concern is that people coming to make payments in person can still be done but otherwise they are agreeable to the contract. All agreed that the small amount of time needed would not be detrimental. Dave reported that they should be starting on the new pump station within the next week and the last piece will be the wellhead protection area.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

1. Selectman Grover stated that he would like to send out another letter clarifying their opposition to the proposed compromise regarding LD385. Felt that the biggest issue is home rule, we do have a right to say what happens in our town but they are taking away that right. Dave Benton questioned why our restrictions can be more restrictive in most areas but not this one and no one could answer that. All agreed to send another letter and Selectman Grover will get it written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Pam L'Heureux reported that FEMA has come out with a grant, EMPG or Emergency Management Performance Grant. She can go back to October and figure what time was spent doing EMA and could get back up to 50% of her budget. Was asking for the go ahead from the board to seek this funding which they approved
2. Dustin reported that they have the radar speed trailer from York County Sheriff's Dept. and are using it to do traffic counts. He has been working with Dave Lowe to update the website and currently have the RSMS uploaded and can be viewed. Have placed on next weeks agenda for an update to the current road list for Chadbourne Ridge Road.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Grover to appoint Roberta Gallant to the Library Board. Vote 5-0-0.

2. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Grover to sign the Water District Contract. Vote 5-0-0.
3. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Grover to sign the Animal Welfare Society Contract. Vote 5-0-0.
4. Discussed the warrant for the upcoming town meeting and Selectman Grover questioned how the questions are worded and wanted it so that the people can vote on either recommendation. Selectman Girard explained that the Finance Committee had a split vote on the Contract Deputy and everything else they agreed with the Selectmen. Selectman Abbott noted that due to the split vote there will be no recommendation. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Grover to accept the content of the warrant. Selectman Grover questioned if the funding breakdown should be in the article or in the recommendation, felt it would give more flexibility to the voters. Doug stated that the voters have to vote on what is posted and you can not change the intent of the article either under our charter or Maine State Law. He felt it would be appropriate in Article 5 & 10 to add some additional verbiage to authorize the Board of Selectmen to use any additional funds that might become available such as land sales, unexpected revenues and additional money from registrations so they could increase hours without a special town meeting. Also questioned why Article 7 doesn't reflect the reduction in hours from 40 to 32 in Worker's Compensation and Social Security. He thought the savings should be substantially more than \$230. Discussed possible land rental and have made no provision for disbursement of any funds generated. Questioned Article 10 and if the CEO won't have to do a lot of re-inspections on foreclosures which are now for sale. He feels there should be a re-inspection fee structure. Board will have Nancy check tomorrow to see if this request is legal and can look at wording that allows revenues be applied to these articles. Selectman Gale asked to proceed with his original motion as is and can have a second motion to have Nancy look into addendums on the articles as recommended. Selectman Moore recommended not putting fees into anything right now. Vote on original motion to accept the content of the warrant 5-0-0. Motion by Selectman Girard to have Nancy explore wording on Article 5, 9, 10 & 13 to allow the Selectmen to expend funds from land rentals/sales, unanticipated state funds for use as deemed necessary by the Selectmen. Selectman Moore requested to add Article 20 to this. Selectman Abbott felt they can call a special meeting of the board if they receive a positive response from the attorney and can debate which articles to add this additional wording to at that time. All agreed.

OTHER

1. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to sign the warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 5-0-0.
2. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Grover to accept the minutes of 5/19/09 as written. Vote 4-0-1 with Selectman Girard abstaining.
3. Selectman Abbott read the reminders.
4. Selectman Girard announced that the first senior luncheon in June has been cancelled as the snowmobile club is laying new flooring.

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Chadbourne Ridge Road
2. Discuss the Solid Waste Ordinance
3. Discuss making the Selectmen's workspace made public

SIGNED:

1. Warrants for bills & payroll
2. Minutes of 5/19/09
3. Appointment Papers
4. Concealed weapon applications

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Grover and seconded by Selectman Girard to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

APPROVED:

Date: _____
