

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
September 22, 2009

PRESENT: TammyJo Girard, Gordon Littlefield, Dennis Abbott, Cindy Moore, Jon Gale, Nancy Brandt, Pam Witman, David Lowe, Rep. Wagner, Bob Gobeil and Tom Ursia.

Meeting opened by Selectman Abbott at 6:00 p.m. with Pledge of Allegiance.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Selectman Abbott reminded everyone who is recycling to continue and those who aren't to begin. Announced the WAB For Warmth Raffle. Selectman Gale spoke to the tax bills going out one month early and that you are paying for July 1 through June 30<sup>th</sup> so actually paying half way through the billing cycle. Apologized to anyone who might have been caught short because they are a month earlier than last year.

**APPOINTMENT**

6:00 – Matt Nadeau of York County Patrol Assn and Mike Hayes, Union President explained that they knew in 2007 of the fiscal crisis coming and for that reason agreed not to take pay increases in 2008, however various non-union and management positions received an 8 ½% pay increase. They did this in good faith during contract negotiations with the understanding that it would preserve jobs. Did receive 3% in 2009 with a \$750 signing bonus while various management and non-union positions received a 6% increase and anticipate 4 ½% in 2010. In the same time frame the County Managers pay increased by approximately \$27,000. The union continued to negotiate with the County up through August 12<sup>th</sup> making many allowances including the clothing allowance and shift differential as well as the 4.5% pay increase in a good faith effort to retain all the remaining positions. Felt they did above and beyond the call of duty in an effort to curtail this fiscal issue. The union will maintain the highest level of professionalism and will do the best job that they can with the resources available to them. Selectman Abbott stated that he is not sure any of the towns are willing to make up the 1.3 million shortfall without significant changes in the way the county does business. Matt explained that there are currently 10 patrol officers to cover 14 towns for 24 hours per day. Also was not sure the state police will be able to pick up the difference. Do have an open invitation to the Sheriff to attend our meeting.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

1. Proposed a tax club program to go to town meeting to assist with cash flow and the taxpayers. Is in our Trio program and would allow people to pay monthly and not accrue interest. Asked that the board consider a warrant article for town meeting to implement this program.

**SELECTMEN'S REPORTS**

1. Selectman Gale reported on the 12 Town Group and stated that it was dedicated to a presentation on Tabor II and the Excise Tax referendum questions. Stated that Maine Heritage was not present to support their side but Maine Municipal Association did a presentation of their side of these questions. Explained the two questions and also that the other part of the discussion was the layoffs in county government.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discussed the WAB Annual Meeting on October 6<sup>th</sup> and Selectman Girard felt it is a good opportunity to meet with local businesses. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to move the beginning of the 10/6 meeting to 5:30. Vote 5-0-0.

2. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Girard to sign the abatements. Vote 5-0-0.
3. Discussed our sex offender ordinance and Selectman Abbott noted that our ordinance is more restrictive than state law allows therefore we can not enforce our ordinance. Selectman Gale stated that we should change to conform with state law at 750' and take out the daycare portion and go from 16 years of age to 14 years of age this would allow the town to seek penalty for a minimum amount of \$500 which may be imposed on a daily basis. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to change the ordinance according to Natalie's recommendation and hold a public hearing. Selectman Littlefield requested that they amend their motion and second to include a savings clause added to this that says if any part of the ordinance is deemed unconstitutional that it does not affect the remainder of the ordinance. Selectmen Gale and Girard agreed. Vote 5-0-0.
4. Agreed that there are no local referendum questions for the November vote.
5. Discussed the Standard Budgeting Process and Selectman Girard stated that she needs to make a couple of changes coming out of this evenings workshop. Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded Selectman Moore to go forward with Standard Budgeting Process with the changes of adding an appendix to include Nancy's worksheet and change the language that invites the Finance Committee to all department head presentations presented to the Board of Selectmen. Vote 5-0-0.
6. Tom explained the MDOT Study (Central York County Connections Study) and that Route 109, 111 and 202/4 will be the primary focus and explained how it helps the Town of Waterboro in the future. Discussed Route 5 and why it is not included. Felt from the North Waterboro line to 204/4 or Dayton is the section neglected for at least 35 years. Tom suggested consolidating these ideas so he can take it to Augusta. Also explained that the board needs to appoint two people, one to be the point person and one as a back up. Selectman Girard stated that Route 5 was addressed with Commissioner Cole when he was here and felt keeping it in front of him could help. Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Gale to add to vote on MDOT Study to the agenda under New Business. Vote 5-0-0. Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Moore to sign the draft agreement for the MDOT study and appoint Tom and Nancy as the representatives. Vote 5-0-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Dave explained that we got a great deal from Dell for the server but can not find a mother board for the old one yet but still looking. Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Girard to put on the agenda to vote on the Dell proposal. Vote 5-0-0. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Girard to go along with the lease agreement for \$90.74 lease payment with a one time documentation fee of \$75.00. Total at the end of payments \$1,064.91 per year for a total quote of \$4,114.00. Vote 5-0-0.

## **OTHER**

1. Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Moore to sign the warrants for bills and payroll. Vote 5-0-0.
2. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to accept the minutes of 9/15/09 as written. Vote 5-0-0.
3. Selectman Abbott read the reminders.

## **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Vote to sign Town Administrator's contract
2. Decision making goal

3. Committee reports and training
4. Sheriff Ouellette as an appointment
5. Dan Cabral as an appointment

**SIGNED:**

1. Warrants for bills & payroll
2. Minutes of 9/15/09
3. Abatements

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

**APPROVED:**

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