

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
December 15, 2009

PRESENT: TammyJo Girard, Gordon Littlefield, Dennis Abbott, Cindy Moore, Jon Gale, Pam Witman, Dave Lowe, Jack Seery, Pam L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Rep. Wagner, and Tom Ursia.

Opened Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Abbott announced that Secret Santa is still seeking donations of money or toys. All donations should be given to Nancy Johnson and by Friday so the shopping can be completed.

Selectman Littlefield announced that Dep. Sanborn is back full time and will be back in town next week.

APPOINTMENTS

6:00 – Opened the public hearing for the Emergency Management Ordinance. Selectman Abbott explained that this had been brought forward but past boards did not adopt it. Pam explained that it was not really necessary before but it is much more so now and will make it easier to get FEMA reimbursements. Noted that a couple places it says Town Council and should be Board of Selectmen. Also noted that a couple places refers to the "Town Administrator or her successor" should be designee. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to close the public hearing at 6:12 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

6:15 – Jack Seery explained that about ten (10) days ago he and Victor Wright met with the Board of Selectmen and Matthew Eddy of Eaton Peabody and it was very productive. As they move forward with seeking funds from various foundations they would like a formal affirmation of support from the board for their efforts to raise money for the new library. Selectman Abbott noted that it is not an endorsement of the project just an endorsement of the Friends to raise money for the project. Jack also noted that a library is a key element in drawing businesses to town. The statement they are requesting is "The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Waterboro strongly support the efforts of the Friends of the Waterboro Public Library as they pursue alternative forms of outside funding to support the construction of a new Waterboro Public Library."

Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to add Jack's request under New Business Item #8. Vote 5-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Moore to accept the Emergency Management Ordinance with the changes where it says "Town Council" change to Board of Selectmen and where it says "successor" change to designee. Vote 5-0-0.
2. Motion by Selectman Moore and seconded by Selectman Gale to approve the blanket letter for Waterboro Eagles. Vote 5-0-0.

3. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Littlefield to not hold the scheduled meeting on December 29th. Vote 5-0-0.
4. Discussed the presentation of the CIP to the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen. Tom stated that there is a benefit to merging as both groups hear each others questions and it gives more clarity. Also stated that if you hold a joint meeting then the board may want to give the Finance Committee a deadline for their recommendations. Stated that the document is ready so can give to the board this evening and have to the Finance Committee by the end of the week. Selectman Gale suggested giving the Finance Committee thirty (30) days to report back. Dept. Heads should also be present at that meeting. Scheduled the meeting tentatively for January 7th with a snowdate of January 11th at 6:30 p.m. Will check with Finance Committee to see if they will be able to make that meeting.
5. Discussed the handicapped accessibility to this building and Selectman Littlefield noted that an appropriation for the entry was made and is still sitting there and also there is a program under the state tax office where they will fund up to \$3,500 in a place of voting which this is because of the absentee's. Stated that Nancy was checking into a few things so will move to next week. Discussed a handicapped audit and will have Nancy check to find out if there is still an organization like Alpha One to do an audit.
6. Discussed the road budget and Selectman Girard stated that they need an independent evaluator which will have to be budgeted for. Noted that Nancy Roberge is really learning the software so will be able to generate reports. Stated that she feels they should have an engineer look at the worst roads. Also stated that they are looking at budgeting for a new traffic counter. Selectman Abbott felt there should be a joint session with the Road Review Committee. Selectman Girard also noted that the current budget is pretty well spent and further spending will come from the capital account. Discussed a directive for no further spending. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to direct Nancy to halt all spending on road projects without a directive from the Board of Selectmen. Vote 5-0-0.
7. Motion by Selectman Girard and seconded by Selectman Moore to table the discussion on the York County Energy Efficiency Grant until next week.
8. Motion by Selectman Gale and seconded by Selectman Girard to sign the letter of support for the Friends of the Library. Vote 5-0-0.

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 Gale to accept the minutes of 12/8/09 as written. Vote 5-0-0.
3. Rep. Wagner announced federal stimulus money that has come into the state through Efficiency Maine. Can call 877-334-6583 for more information. Will need an energy audit and Bruce Lambert at 604-4150 is an energy auditor in town. Announced that next week will be headed to Augusta for a bill signing and budget briefing then go back in session on January 6th. Will be attending the Road Review meeting tomorrow evening.
4. Selectman Abbott read the reminders

PENDING DECISIONS

- 1. Personnel Policy – Should be ready by Christmas.
- 2. Committee Involvement – Next week will layout first quarters schedule
- 3. Training Proposal – Nancy and Matt working on this
- 4. Signing of the Land Trust Deeds
- 5. Parks Ordinance – Need to schedule new Public Hearing
- 6. Street light request – Waiting for Dep. Sanborn to return

WEEK’S ACTION LIST

- 1. Schedule meeting with Finance Committee for CIP’s
- 2. Nancy to contact Fred regarding the road budget

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. LD2389 Endorsement
- 2. Energy Efficiency Grant
- 3. Handicapped accessibility

SIGNED:

- 1. Warrants for bills & payroll
- 2. Minutes of 12/8/09
- 3. Blanket letter for Waterboro Eagles
- 4. Letter of support for funding

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Littlefield and seconded by Selectman Moore to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

APPROVED:

Date: _____
