

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
November 29, 2011

PRESENT: Chairman Littlefield, Selectmen: Woodsome, Gale, Girard & Abbott, Nancy Brandt, Jaye Winkel, William Winkel, Patrick Fennell, Peter Hasler, Rich Liden, Christina Silberman & David Lowe

Chairman Littlefield opened the meeting at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC HEARING: Chairman Littlefield opened the public hearing to rename the abandoned portion of Middle Road, from the intersection of Ross Corner Road to Thyngs Mill Road, to one of the following: Old Middle Road, Red Schoolhouse Road or Henderson Brook Road. Mr. Winkel stated that the residents have discussed this and they prefer Old Middle Road as the new name. Chairman Littlefield said that the Town will have to clear this with the Code Enforcement Officer. Selectman Girard moved to take New Business Item #1 out of order and vote on it immediately after the public hearing, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **5 yeas**. Chairman Littlefield closed the public hearing.

Selectman Girard moved to approve the new road name of Old Middle Road pending confirmation from the Code Enforcement Officer that there are no conflicts with other road names, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **5 yeas**. Selectman Girard moved that the new name of Old Middle Road be effective January 1, 2012, seconded by Selectman Abbott, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Selectman Gale gave a reminder that employees, volunteers and their families are invited to a spaghetti dinner to open the holiday season on December 9th at Central Station. This will be a nice dinner and he would love to see everyone there.

HEARING OF DELEGATION: Rich Liden asked if there was anything further on the status of Thyngs Mill Road. Chairman Littlefield responded that this is still with the Road Review Committee. Selectman Girard stated that the next meeting of the Road Review Committee is December 14th and is open to the public.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman Littlefield reviewed and invitation from South Buxton Cemetery Association to the "Wreaths Across America" celebration on December 10th at 11:45 am at South Buxton Cemetery. Selectman Girard said there is a company in Maine that makes and donates wreaths for the National Cemeteries and there are also some local events such as this one. This is a public event.

REPORTS: Selectmen's Report: Selectman Abbott reported that he attended the Transfer Station Committee meeting last night. David Pope, who is a teacher at the Middle School, is involved in a project called Zero Waste sponsored by the Chewonki Foundation. They have done a fair amount of sampling analysis and they have identified 75 % of the waste stream that can be taken out. A big piece that remains is food waste and they are looking at a grant for an on-site composter or to have a commercial composter pick up the waste. Selectman Abbott commented that he has heard feedback that the silver bullets are full and we have to make sure to have these emptied. Ms. Brandt suggested asking the rubbish company to come to empty them every few weeks automatically instead of waiting until they are full for us to call them to be emptied. Selectman Girard asked about the plans to clear the lot next door and put in a U shaped drive. Ms. Brandt replied that

she is not sure if this will be completed this fall but there is a plan. Selectman Abbott commented that the Eagle Scout project may include some of this. Selectman Woodsome said he would check with the Scout Leader on the status of the project. Selectman Abbott reported that there was discussion at the Transfer Station Committee meeting on why the transfer station employees work during town office holidays. Selectman Abbott said that he recommended that they speak with the Town Administrator about this.

Selectman Woodsome asked if the dam at Ossipee Lake has been repaired yet. Ms. Brandt said she would check on this. Later in the meeting Selectman Girard reported that she received a message indicating that the repair has not been made. Ms. Brandt said she will find look into when this repair will be done.

Administrator's Report: Ms. Brandt reported that she is working on the general government budget. Maine Municipal Association is holding a municipal budgeting workshop in Orono on Friday and she and the Treasurer will be attending. Selectman Abbott asked that the Committee Chairs be notified of the budget deadline and Ms. Brandt said that they have all received a packet with the due dates. Selectman Girard asked if the Town Clerk has begun working with the Treasurer yet. Ms. Brandt responded that this has not started yet. Selectman Girard said that the Treasurer has indicated that she is backed up on work and part of the solution was to have the Town Clerk help her.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/vote to rename the abandoned portion of Middle Road: This item was taken out of order and heard after the public hearing.

2. Discuss/vote on committee appointments: The Board would like to schedule an interview with the applicant and this item was postponed.

3. Discuss/vote on Massabesic Lions Club Beano license application: Selectman Woodsome moved to approve the Massabesic Lions Club Beano license, seconded by Selectman Abbott, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

4. Discuss/vote on Massabesic Lions Club Games of Chance license application: Selectman Woodsome moved to approve the Massabesic Lions Club Games of Chance license, seconded by Selectman Girard, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

5. Discuss/vote on Hollis residents' use of the Transfer Station: Transfer Station Manager Clint Andrews reported that the Transfer Station Committee voted last night that they would like to send this back to the Hollis Selectmen and ask that they pay some of the operating expenses. Hollis residents can now purchase a dump sticker for \$15.00 and then they pay the same disposal fees as Waterboro residents. Selectman Woodsome suggested increasing the fees. Selectman Abbott said there is \$100,000 in administrative costs to run the transfer station that is born by the citizens of Waterboro and if an equitable arrangement cannot be made for another municipality to share these costs then maybe we have come to a point where we just say we are done. Selectman Woodsome moved to terminate any agreement we now have with Hollis for them to use our transfer station effective 12/31/11 and that they be notified immediately, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/vote to approve the audit: The final budget has not been received yet and this item was postponed.

OTHER:

Moved by Selectman Girard, seconded by Selectman Gale to sign warrants for bills and payroll, voted and passed, **5 yeas.**

PENDING DECISIONS

- 1. Public Service Announcements
- 2. Committee Self-evaluations
- 3. Work with Logan Circle residents on water runoff issue: They will be meeting in February
- 4. Review Driveway Opening Permit language
- 5. Transfer Station boundary: pending
- 6. Economic Development Committee status
- 7. Water District survey: Waiting for Steve Levy to send an updated copy
- 8. Water District office space lease: Ms. Brandt is working on this

WEEK'S ACTION LIST:

- 1. Send a letter to the Town of Hollis regarding transfer station use
- 2. Find out the status of the dam repair
- 3. Selectman Woodsome will check on the Eagle Scout projects

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Plan for the spaghetti dinner
- 2. Executive Session at 5 pm with the Town Attorney
- 3. Plan for Budget Planning Public Night

Selectman Abbott commented on a mix up with the Transfer Station Committee location. The location information on the website was incorrect and this will be updated. Mr. Lowe suggested asking the Board and Committee Chairs to review the website information for accuracy.

Chairman Littlefield read the reminders.

ADJOURNMENT: Selectman Girard moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **5 yeas.**

SIGNED:

- 1. Warrants for bills & payroll
- 2. Lions Club Beano & Games of Change licenses

APPROVED: Date: _____
