

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 16, 2012**

5:30 pm Executive Session: Selectman Woodsome moved to go into executive session per Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) to discuss the Town Administrator's performance review at 5:33 pm, seconded by Selectman Girard, voted and passed, **4 yeas**. Selectman Woodsome moved to come out of executive session at 5:43 pm, seconded by Selectman Girard, voted and passed, **4 yeas**.

PRESENT: Chairman Abbott, Selectmen: Gale, Girard, & Woodsome, Nancy Brandt-Town Administrator, Dianne Holden, Dwayne Prescott, Clint Andrews-Transfer Station Manager, Mike DeAngelis-Parks & Rec Director, Lisa Bennett-Deputy Chief, Jerry Daigle-Assessors' Agent, Roger Lauzier, Christina Silberman-Administrative Assistant & David Lowe-IT Manager. Doug Foglio, Sr.-Road Commissioner and Selectman Littlefield arrived during the quarterly budget review.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Abbott announced that absentee ballots are available at the town office during normal operating hours for the November 6th General Election. The deadline to vote absentee is 5 pm November 1st. Sample ballots are posted on the town website, www.waterboro-me.gov. The level of Ossipee Lake is still down and this will be discussed further under new business.

APPOINTMENTS: None

HEARING OF DELEGATION: Jim Carll, Vice Chairman of the Charter Review Commission asked that the summary of the proposed changes to the Town Charter be published in *The Smart Shopper* a couple of weeks prior to the Election.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman Abbott reviewed the following correspondence:

1. Treasurer's Weekly Financial Reports
2. Rep. Libby's newsletter
3. August sales report from Assessing Agent
4. Twelve Town Group October meeting notice.
5. RSU #57 Race to the Top documents

REPORTS & STAFF INITIATIVES: Postponed

NEW BUSINESS: (Item #4 was taken out of order and heard first.)

1. Conduct quarterly budget review: The Selectmen reviewed the first quarter budget expenses and revenues by department. Ms. Brandt stated that the Department Heads are doing a great job with keeping within their budget.

2. Report from Road Commissioner on Ossipee Dam costs: Road Commissioner Doug Foglio, Sr. reported that the lake has been drawn down just shy of 36 inches. Chairman Abbott said that the new dam gates should arrive by November 2nd and asked if Mr. Foglio can do the preparations for installing the gates. The estimate from Knowles Industrial to repair the dam is \$9,990.00. Ms. Brandt indicated that there is \$7,000 set aside for the

dam gates and the new gates will be \$8,800. Chairman Abbott indicated that the rest of the funds can be taken from the contingency account. Mr. Foglio pointed out that the estimate to remove, repair and reinstall the old gates was \$12,500. With the town doing the work removing the old gates and buying and installing new gates it will cost less than that. Selectman Woodsome said that the expenses are up around \$20,000 now and that is without installing a fence. The estimate to install a fence is \$3,260.00. Mr. Foglio said that if you look at the dam right now, you can see that the erosion of the concrete stops 6 inches above where the water level is today. This is from the effects of acid rain.

Selectman Gale moved to go forward with the reconditioning of the dam and not add the fence, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, **5 yeas**.

Chairman Abbott stated that the lake level is now at the 3' winter draw down level and this is the level that it will be for the 5 year level. Mr. Foglio pointed out that this draw down is an intermediary draw down. Dianne Holden recommended that the town stay on the current schedule for drawing the lake down in the 5th years. The 3' draw down is planned for 2015. Roger Lauzier asked that the Board announce the dates for completion of the repairs so residents that are planning to do shoreline work now that the lake is low will have notice. Chairman Abbott said that the gates will be here on or before November 2nd and when the gates are back on, the level of the lake will come up. Mr. Foglio said he is concerned that we have not scheduled Knowles to do the work yet. As long as the temperature stays above 32 degrees, they can do the work. Chairman Abbott said to schedule Knowles to do the work as soon as possible. Chairman Abbott said that until the work is done, we should maintain the level of the lake where it is now. Mr. Foglio reported that due to the water level at the boat launch, we may have to go in and clean it. The level of the brook is currently higher than the level of the boat launch so it is washing across the top of the planks. When the level of the lake rises, this will no longer be a problem.

3. Report on signage at Boat Launch: Mike DeAngelis, Parks & Rec Director, reported that they have been replacing signs in all of the parks. There are new signs ready for Gobeil Park. There are new signs for the boat launch and he would like to wait until spring to put these up. Mr. DeAngelis reviewed the placement of the new signs. Selectman Woodsome asked to address the addition of curbing at the boat launch. Selectman Littlefield explained the proposal is to add curbing to divert water from eroding the beach. The Conservation Commission is looking at ideas for a barrier to prevent people from driving on the beach. Chairman Abbott said he believes they already decided to do the curbing.

At this time, an earthquake occurred and everyone left the meeting.

4. Discuss/vote on abatements (this item was taken out of order and heard at the beginning of new business): Selectman Girard moved to approve the abatements as recommended by the Assessors' Agent, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **3 yeas, 1 nay (Woodsome)**.

OLD BUSINESS: None

OTHER: The Selectmen signed the warrants for bills and payroll.

ADJOURNMENT: Selectman Woodsome moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **3 yeas**.

SIGNED:

1. Warrants for bills & payroll

APPROVED: Date: _____
