

**Waterboro Board of Selectmen  
February 19, 2013**

**PRESENT:** Selectmen Gale, Littlefield and Woodsome, Town Administrator Nancy Brandt, David Benton, Delano Lebel, Alex Wong, John Vacari, Bob Gobeil, Mike Rouillard, Stacey Scott, Administrative Assistant Christina Silberman and IT Manager David Lowe.

**ELECT CHAIRMAN PRO TEM:** Selectman Gale nominated Selectman Littlefield to serve as Chairman Pro Tem, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, **3 years**.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Pro Tem Littlefield opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance at 6:00 pm.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Chairman Pro Tem Littlefield opened the public hearing to receive comment on the Public Infrastructure Grant application for a Community Development Block Grant to partially fund a water main extension along Sokokis Trail, between Waterboro Middle School and Waterboro Elementary School. This extension is necessary to alleviate known drinking water quality problems at the Elementary School and to provide relief for any private well owners who may also have compromised drinking water quality. Alex Wong of Maine Rural Water Association explained the Community Development Block Grant process and summarized the project. The Town is applying for the grant on behalf of the school. The school department will pay any necessary matching funds. Chairman Pro Tem Littlefield closed the public hearing.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**HEARING OF DELEGATION:** Bob Gobeil said he felt it would be a mistake not to extend the water main to the town office. Selectman Gale said if the need arises for public water at the town office in the future, we can extend it at the time. Chairman Pro Tem Littlefield added that they did look at extending the water to the town office but the cost was prohibitive and there is currently not a water issue at the town office.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Chairman Pro Tem reviewed the following;

1. Rep. Libby's e-newsletters
2. Massabesic Lions Club "Annual Youth Recognition Night" nomination info
3. Saco River Corridor Commission letter re: Waterboro's member Shawn Shoemaker
4. Ecomaine recycling reports
5. Copies of letters from Chief Bors to Doug Foglio, Sr., Tom Blackburn and Scott Davis
6. Motor Vehicle Agent's January 2013 report & 2011-2012 Annual Report

**REPORTS & STAFF INITIATIVES**

**1. Selectmen's reports:** Selectman Gale reported that he attended the 12 Town Group meeting last night. The County budget begins on January 1<sup>st</sup> every year and is in operation before it is voted in for the past 8 -9 years. Chairman Pro Tem Littlefield said that the County's change to a new fiscal year will rectify this. Selectman Gale said that the York County Advocacy Group meeting has been rescheduled to this Saturday at 9 am. The Group discussed the school budget with a projected increase of 2.3% at this time. The Group talked a little bit about the Governor and consolidation.

**2. Town Administrator's report:** Nancy Brandt said she is working on the budget. The forms have been updated and information was provided to the Finance Committee. Rep. Libby reported to Ms. Brandt that the Legislature passed the moratorium on the privacy of concealed weapons permits. Rep. Libby does not know yet what the amendments are and he expects a vote on Thursday on the State's supplemental budget then they will begin work on the biennial budget.

**3. Transfer Station/Recycling Committee:** Chairman Pat Aureli was unable to attend tonight's meeting and provided a report as follows. The Transfer Station-Recycling Committee reports that the committee has not been able to meet for the last two monthly meetings due to bad weather. We are hoping to catch up with regular committee business at our next meeting which is scheduled for Monday, February 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Annex Bldg., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Since we have not met for the past two months, there is very little to report at this time, however as Chair, I would like to express our deep sadness over the passing of Willis Lord. He was a highly respected former member of our committee, a wonderful source of knowledge and history, a fair decision-maker and a good man who fulfilled so many important roles in state and local government. His contributions to Waterboro will continue to live on, but he will be greatly missed. Our committee extends our sincere condolences to his family. With respect to committee business, our committee is again looking to plan additional informational events in the future that will encourage more and more recycling by town of Waterboro residents and will be discussing this at its next meeting.

**4. Transfer Station Manager:** Clint Andrews was unable to attend tonight's meeting and provided a report as follows. This time of year is always pretty quiet at the transfer station and 2013 is no exception. I have attached some totals that I am in the process of compiling the 2012 report for the State of Maine. The attachment shows the differences between totals for 2011 and 2012. Some of the things that jump out from the comparison are the following:

- 1,778.15 tons of Household waste is down 49.39 tons that's a savings of \$4,300.00.
- 454.44 tons of Demolition is up 28.06 tons.
- 450.55 tons of Single Sort recycling is up 7.61 tons single sort saved taxpayers \$39,990.72 in tipping fees - we also now ship larger loads that are compacted in the new compactor; we saved 18 loads in 6 months in 2012 in July we started bringing the silver bullets to the transfer station to be compacted this now costs \$70.00 a load instead of \$143.00 a load to ecomaine that's a substantial savings.
- We are now saving 50% on shipping furniture using the old cardboard compactor and we shipped 71.19 tons that went to ecomaine to be burned instead of going to a landfill at \$20.00 more a ton.
- We took in over twice as much in fluorescent lamps by handling \$5,012.50 linear feet in 2012. We just got word that as of January 1, 2013 our tipping fees for demolition debris is going up \$1.00 a ton which will be paid to the State of Maine and will go up to \$2.00 a ton in 2014.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Discuss/vote to ask the State Department of Transportation to conduct a traffic study related to a petition request to lower the speed limit on West Road from 45 mph to 35 mph:** Mike Rouillard of Windy Way explained that the stretch of West Road from the Old Corner Church to Ross Corner currently has a speed limit of 45 mph.

Vehicles currently drive much faster than this and it is very dangerous. Mr. Rouillard submitted a petition signed by 43 people (36 registered voters) to have the speed limit reduced. Stacey Scott agreed and said they know people will drive fast but if the speed limit is lowered, maybe the majority of people would slow down. Ms. Scott suggested posting a sign to warn drivers to follow the speed limit. Selectman Gale moved to direct the Town Administrator to request that the State Department of Transportation conduct a traffic study related to the feasibility of lowering the speed limit on West Road, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, **3 yeas**.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Review budget workshop dates:** A budget workshop has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 26, 2013 following a brief Selectmen’s meeting.

**OTHER**

**1.** Selectman Woodsome moved to sign the warrants for bills and payroll, seconded by Selectman Gale, voted and passed, **3 yeas**.

**2.** Selectman Gale moved to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2013 regular meeting, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, **3 yeas**.

**PENDING DECISIONS**

1. Public Service Announcements
2. Review Driveway Opening Permit language
3. Board & Committee status
4. Economic Development forum
5. Implementation of Town Charter changes that will be effective July 1, 2013

**WEEK’S ACTION LIST**

- Ms. Brandt will send a letter to MDOT regarding the speed limit reduction request for West Road and will speak with Deputy Sanborn about the speeding issues there.

**DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS**

- Have a brief business meeting followed by a budget workshop
- Review Town Charter implementation progress

Chairman Pro Tem Littlefield read the reminders.

**ADJOURN:** Selectman Gale moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 pm, seconded by Selectman Woodsome, voted and passed, **3 yeas**.

**SIGNED:**

Warrants for bills & payroll  
Minutes of February 12, 2013

**APPROVED:**     Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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