

**Minutes for the Waterboro Board of Selectmen Meeting
September 13, 2016 at Waterboro Town Hall
6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting**

Regular meeting began at 6:01 p.m. with the following attendees: Selectmen Gordon Littlefield, Dennis Abbott, Tim Neill, Dwayne Woodsome and Jon Gale, Dave Lowe, Matt Bors, Julie Giles, Gary Lamb, Steve Everett, Brigit McCallum, Tammy Wells, and 9 members from the public.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS - none

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

- a. **Gordon Littlefield made a motion to add discussion of the Route 202 right-of-way to Old Business, Item 10 a on the agenda. Jon Gale seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

5. APPOINTMENT

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Treasurer's reports
- b. Motor Vehicle and Excise Tax reports
- c. Senator Woodsome Newsletter

8. REPORTS & STAFF INITIATIVES

- a. Selectmen's reports

Tim Neill reported that he attended the 12 Town Group meeting with Geoff Herman from Maine Municipal Association in attendance.

Jon Gale reported that he met with the Garden Committee. They are looking to fix the fence and drainage systems. There are also plans for an area for a lunch spot or meeting next to the shed.

Dennis Abbott reported that ecomaine has entered into a contract with a company and is now collecting organic wastes. Towns and cities are encouraged to participate and this could be something that Waterboro may want to consider at some point.

- b. Town Administrator Gary Lamb's report

Town Administrator Gary Lamb's report was delivered as follows:

- **Tax Commitment update for FY 16/17 ending June 30 2017** - tax bills were mailed out last week. The first half of the bill is due Friday Oct 14 and second half due Friday April 14, 2017. We do not send out bills or notices for the second half of the bill. Please remember we have listened to citizens complain about overvaluation of land and we have reduced most land values, whether tiny house lot or large forested parcel. This reduction in your land portion of your tax bill means the mil rate must increase to raise the same amount of money for municipal services. Consequently, there is an 87 cent increase in the mil rate for FY 16/17 just for the town wide land adjustments. A noticeable exception to the land valuation reduction is land in the State's Tree Growth program. If your property is in Tree Growth your valuation might have increased because the state has increased their valuations of such land. School and municipal expenses as approved by Town Meeting total \$597K and take up another 42 cents increase to the mil rate, resulting in a new mil rate of \$15.24 per thousand.
- **Salt shed Update** - Overhead door installation is underway and final paving inside and out and grading around the building will be completed this fall.
- **MMA's Legislative Policy Committee** - I was elected from Senate District 33 to this 70 member committee from statewide senatorial districts. This committee helps create municipal priorities for the upcoming legislative session convening in January. LPC met for the first time Sept 8th, will meet again Oct 5th and monthly as necessary during the legislative session beginning in January.
- **Workman's comp refund** - thanks to a safety conscious workforce, we recently received a WC refund check because we have had few WC claims. Thanks to all who lift carefully and work safely!!! This refund check was for \$5286.00 and is over 10% of our annual premium.
- **Central Station open houses** - Monday Sept 19 and Monday Oct 24th10am to 7pm
- **Bike Ride through Waterboro** - 4 Leaf Clover bike ride fundraiser for Nasson Community Bicycle Center in Sanford will be riding some of Gore Road Sunday Sept 18th....FYI
- **Nov 8th Citizen Initiative questions** - (read the basics of all five as reminder to voters)
- **Nov 8th at polls signature collections** - Bd Sel has decided to collect signatures on election day Nov 8th to determine whether or not citizens want to eliminate town meeting and replace it with 100% referendum voting. By charter, before that question can go to the voters in June 2017, 15% of our 4880 registered voters must sign a petition calling for that ballot question... (732 minimum verified signatures). We need at least six volunteers to sit at tables and collect signatures from voters leaving the polling place. Please contact Lamb or Christine Torno if interested.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss/vote for an appointment to the RSU #57 Board of Directors.

Jon Gale made a motion to appoint Lindsey Clancy to the RSU #57 Board of Directors for a term to expire 6/30/17. Tim Neill seconded. The motion passed 4-1 (Woodsome voted against).

- b. FY16 Audit update

The Selectmen requested the auditors to attend the September 27, 2016 meeting.

- c. Set date for workshop with the Water District

The Selectmen set September 20, 2016 for a workshop to meet with the Waterboro Water District regarding its request to use town property for a new water tank.

- d. Fire Station bond question update

Gary Lamb presented the history and status of the upcoming bond question. Dennis Abbott would like to have another open house scheduled for a weekend day.

- e. Next steps for Shoreland Zoning Ordinance changes

Dennis Abbott reported that a number of comments have been received; however, there has not been any from Lake Arrowhead and other ponds.. The Selectmen set October 11, 2016 (following the regular meeting) for further discussion. They would like the following to be available to the public electronically:

1. What is currently in place
2. What is proposed in the new one
3. What is more stringent than what is in Chapter 1000.

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Route 202 right-of-way

Steve Everett, surveyor for the abutting landowners, made a brief update on the status of the Route 202 right-of way. The town would be giving up its rights to the parcel of property that was presented and shown in yellow highlight. The town would not retain a public easement over the discontinued area, thereby, prohibiting the public's right to travel over the road. The Town Administrator was tasked with sending these documents to

the Town Attorney for her review and comment prior to final Selectmen action.

11. OTHER

- a. Discuss /vote to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2016 regular meeting.

Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2016 regular meeting. Gordon Littlefield seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

12. PENDING DECISIONS

- a. Review Comprehensive Plan task list.

13. WEEK'S ACTION LIST

14. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

**September 27, 2016 –Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss the Public Work's Director's position
October 11, 2016 – Public Hearing on bond question
October 25, 2016 – Public Hearing on bond question. The meeting to be held at Central Fire Station.**

15. ITEMS NEEDING SIGNATURE

- a. Minutes of the August 23, 2016 regular meeting

16. REMINDERS

17. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Dwayne Woodsome to adjourn. Seconded by Gordon Littlefield. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm.

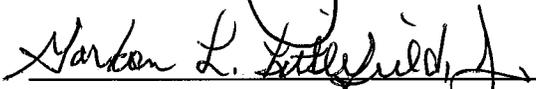
These minutes were approved by the Waterboro Board of Selectmen on September 27, 2016.



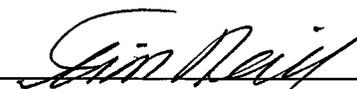
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