

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

July 13, 2009

PRESENT: Ted Poirer, Jim Trask, Theresa Greeley-Payeur, Angela Cushman, Jim Roberts, Michelle Boisjoly

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: John Gay, Darrell Whitney

Selectmen Ted Poirier declared the meeting open at 19:00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

APPOINTMENTS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

External Defibrillator. Selectmen had received some information on external defibrillators. Jim Trask will contact the company to gather more information regarding the defibrillators.

DOT. The DOT communicated that the speed limit has been reduced to 50 mph from Saco to the Smith Rd in Dayton. Speed limit signs will be updated in the near future.

Town of Waterboro. A letter was received from the Town of Waterboro Selectmen regarding the County Commissioners.

MMA Annual Election. Nomination papers for the MMA Board were reviewed by the Selectmen. Theresa Greeley-Payeur will complete and return to MMA.

OLD BUSINEES:

1. Fire Department Committee. The next meeting is next Tuesday, July 14th.
2. Tax Assessor - budget/tax rate & personal property. Michelle Boisjoly, Tax Assessor, provided an update on taxes to the Selectmen. The budget for the RSU did not pass. The amount passed at the RSU Regional Meeting held on July 23rd can be used to commit taxes. If on August 4th the referendum does not pass, the Town can use the amounts passed on July 23rd. An issue would be that the Town is committing on an amount that the voters did not agree on. Another issue is if the Town commits and the referendum is defeated and a new budget is eventually passed that is significantly lower than we may have an illegal commitment because the overlay needs to stay within 5%. Jim Trask communicated that he would feel comfortable with committing the taxes if the Dayton voters validated

- the referendum even if overall the referendum was defeated by the three communities. As part of the tax commitment State Revenue Share is a factor in the calculation. Over the last couple of years the Town has not used the full amount received from the State. So, the Town has some designated State Revenue Share from previous years that could be applied to the tax commitment calculation this year. The amount of this designated account will be verified with the auditor next week. So, based on the new budget amount for Dayton (\$2,003,869.94), an overlay number similar to last year, and the use of the additional revenue share money, the estimated mil rate would be an increase of \$0.15 resulting in a mil rate of \$14.55. Michelle asked the Selectmen their opinion on sending personal property to accounts that have an assessment less than \$1000. The cost of generating and mailing the bill outweighs the tax collected for these accounts. **Jim Trask made a motion for anything less than \$10 due, not to pursue for personal property; 2nd Ted Poirier. Passed 3/0.**
3. Modular building. Angela Cushman communicated that Mike Garrity, RSU Maint., expressed an interest in the modular building. **Theresa Greeley-Payeur made a motion to donate the small modular building to the RSU by Sept 1st; 2nd Jim Trask. Passed 3/0.**
 4. Town Office mail box. Jim Trask to follow up.
 5. Cross walk request on Rt 35. No update at this time.
 6. RSU Budget meeting. The meeting will be held on Thursday, July 23rd, 7 PM at Saco Middle School. Voting will occur on Tuesday, August 4th. The Selectmen decided to close the offices at 6 pm on July 23rd to allow for employees to attend the meeting.
 7. Radar Speed Trailer. Information collected from trailer was reviewed by Jim Roberts and Ted Poirier.
 8. Time Warner. Time Warner to connect with Chris.
 9. Business cards. Jim Roberts to research some pricing.
 10. Water Cooler. Jim Roberts will research some pricing.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Yvonne Shaw, Tax Collector, was in to provide an update to the Selectmen. As of June 30th the personal property outstanding is \$669.60 which represents three accounts and reminder notices will be sent again. There are tax liens still outstanding. For the month of June \$205,000 was collected for excise tax.
2. MacDonald Page audit agreement. Selectmen reviewed and signed contract.
3. MMA Property & Casualty insurance. Angela Cushman communicated that the Town received the bill for liability insurance and it is higher than what was budgeted. The budgeted amount was \$6,400 and the bill for the year will be \$7,309. Discussion was held regarding including this increased amount as part of the special town meeting that would be held prior to commitment. Michelle Boisjoly communicated that she will commit taxes on August 12th. A Special Town Meeting will be held on Monday, August 3rd, 6:30 pm at the Municipal Building.

4. Hazardous Waste & BBI. For previous participation in Hazardous Waste Days, BBI had communicated that they would contribute \$500 for advertising. The Town has never billed BBI. Selectmen decided to send a bill to BBI.
5. Handicapped automatic doors. The Town has anonymous donor that would pay for the automatic door openers if the Selectmen would pay for the electrical work to install. The initial quote of the openers was \$3,200 which was communicated to the donor. An updated quote states \$3,600. So the Selectmen would need to cover \$600 (\$200 for electrical quote & \$400 for the updated quote) to have the openers installed at the Municipal Office. **Jim Trask made a motion to accept the donation and to make up the difference of the cost to install the openers; 2nd by Theresa Greeley-Payeur. Passed 3/0.**
6. Angela Cushman asked about the Selectmen writing up some thank you notes for in-kind donations towards the new municipal building. Staff will write up thank you notes for the Selectmen to sign.
7. Ted Poirier read a letter received from Mike Souliere, Road Commissioner. Mike Souliere stated that after inspection of Steele Rd he does not feel that Steele Rd requires any repairs at this time. Theresa Greeley-Payeur communicated that the attorney stated that the Town is not permitted at this time to put up a street sign. The only individuals that are permitted to put up a sign are people that own property along the road and that would be the Gays. The court order indicated that there will be no work completed by the Town. The attorney would need to take the requests of a sign and road work to the judge for any determinations. Under the current order of the court all items brought to the Selectmen's attention will need to be given to the attorney who would then make an appointment to see the judge. The Town or the Selectmen will not be making any decisions regarding Steele Rd. until the current order is changed. Darrell Whitney questioned whether the sign is on Steele Rd or would it be on Buzzell Rd which would be owned by the Town. Theresa will connect with the attorney to see about whether the Town would continue to plow Steele Rd.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Jim Roberts reported that Bickford Rd has been paved.

John Gay asked if the Selectmen made any decisions on the idea of possible buying a vehicle for personnel to use on Town business. Jim Trask stated that at this time the Town is not pursuing this idea, but would re-consider later in the budget year.

SIGNED:

1. 07/13/09 A/P Warrant
2. Selectmen minutes 06/29/09
3. Request for time off
4. Appointments for Michelle Boisjoly, Tax Assessor, & Jim Roberts, CEO, Plumbing Inspector and Building Inspector
5. Certificates of settlement & recommitment of taxes from Susan Bellerose to Yvonne Shaw

OUTSTANDING ITEMS:

1. Multi-purpose room use policy

ADJOURNMENT:

Jim Trask made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 20:00.

*Minutes may not be verbatim they may have been paraphrased for clarity.

_____ Ted Poirier, Chair

_____ Theresa Greeley-Payuer

_____ Jim Trask

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