

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2014

PRESENT: Board of Selectmen: Ted Poirier, Scott Littlefield, Gerry Taylor; Treasurer/Selectmen Clerk Angela Cushman, CEO Jim Roberts, Tax Collector Yvonne Shaw, SAU Dayton School Board Members; Denis Elie, Millie Tuttle, Shelly Sommer; Road Commissioner Mike Souliere

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom McKenney

*Selectmen Ted Poirier declared the meeting open at 18:00.
Agenda approved by Selectmen.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
No action to report.

APPOINTMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Fire Commission. The Fire Commission provided the Selectmen with the Chief's Quarterly Report, the Medical Insurance Alternative and an update on the Request for Information. Jim Roberts, Fire Commission Member, communicated that not all reports are back on Engine 3. Reports will be distributed to Selectmen as soon as possible. Discussion was held on the request to allow the Medical Insurance Alternative. If an eligible employee elects Not to participate in the Town of Lyman (Fire Department employees are considered Town of Lyman employees) provided medical insurance coverage and provides documented proof that is otherwise covered, that employee is reimbursed a ½ of the cost saved. The cash payments under this provision are taxable income and shall be paid to the employee as an addition to the regular paycheck.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAU Dayton School Board. Denis Elie, School Board Chair, introduced the members of the school board. Denis communicated that the school board has major task ahead them for the next 5 1/2 months to re-form the Dayton School Board. The School Board met with the Saco School Board and they are in the process of hiring an interim superintendent. Originally, Saco talked about using a candidate from within to fill the interim 18 month superintendent, but the Saco Board indicated they are entertaining candidates from outside the Saco organization. Purpose of the meeting with Saco School Board was to make sure the memo of understanding was still enforce. Denis indicated that

the Dayton School Board has been contacted by other communities to provide a superintendent/central office including special education, transportation, etc. Under the School Union 7 agreement Dayton was paying 15% of the superintendent salary and 12% of central office. One of the superintendents that approached Dayton expressed that he thought Dayton was paying way too much under that agreement. Denis talked with this superintendent about school choice allowing students a choice of high schools and middle schools. The Dayton School Board is looking at getting competing proposals so they can do a comparison to see what would be the best deal for the taxpayers of Dayton. The School Board also met with the teaching staff at Dayton Consolidated. The teacher's contract is due in July. Denis also indicated that the board may need to come to the Selectmen about using the funds remaining in the withdrawal fund and some other funds for start up costs for year one. The School Board will meeting with Thornton Academy this week to discuss the Thornton Academy renewal and also the possibility of Thornton Academy Middle School. Denis stated again about giving our students choice. There is some concern that the budget will not be ready for town meeting. Denis also inquired about liability for school board members. Angela Cushman to contact Maine Municipal Association. Warrant articles for education will be included with the town articles for the annual town meeting. The board will also meeting with the kitchen/custodial staff and bus staff.

2. Town of Dayton Audit Report. Angela Cushman, Treasurer, provided the Selectmen with the June 30, 2013 audit report for review. The Undesignated Account (surplus) has increased but the Town needs to continue to increase the surplus account to allow for 3 months of expenses. The Town will be putting out to bid for audit services which will also include pricing for the Fire Department. The Fire Department audit services bill would be paid through the Fire Department budget.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Tom McKenney mentioned that when he first moved here (7 years ago) on the weather channel with Time Warner we use to get Buxton which is pretty accurate but now we get York and Wells. When Time Warner was contacted they said they could not do anything unless enough people complain. Jim Roberts will contact Time Warner.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Public Hearing. The State will be holding a public hearing on revenue share. There is a potential that the state will be reducing the state revenue share amounts to towns.

SIGNED:

1. 01/16/14 A/P Warrant
2. 01/16/14 P/Y Warrant
3. 01/16/14 P/Y GMFR Warrant

OUTSTANDING ITEMS:

1. Hollis Rd – shouldering & tree trimming – Mike Souliere to complete work & will take about a week to complete.
2. Notary Public – Yvonne
3. Stop sign inventory – Mike Souliere
4. Mirror for Buda Rd – Mike Souliere

ADJOURNMENT:

Scott Littlefield made a motion to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(A) to discuss a personnel issue at 19:35.

Scott Littlefield made a motion to end executive session at 20:05.

Scott Littlefield made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 20:17.

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

_____ Ted Poirier, Chair

_____ Scott Littlefield

_____ Gerry Taylor

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