

# **SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**

**February 13, 2012**

**PRESENT:** Board of Selectmen: Ted Poirier, Scott Littlefield, Mike Polakewich;  
Treasurer/Selectmen Clerk Angela Cushman, CEO Jim Roberts;  
Road Commissioner Mike Souliere

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** School Board member Skip Cushman, Residents: Keith Harris,  
Jerry Taylor, Tom McKenney

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Selectmen signed a concealed weapons background check.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Fire Commission. The closing date has been set for February 16<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Station.
2. Road Updates. Quotes received from Dayton Sand & Gravel to do the Buzzell Rd for \$19,613 and River Rd (from RT5 to Dayton line) for \$56,461 were reviewed by the Selectmen. Scott Littlefield would recommend that the Company Rd and Murch Rd be completed before Buzzell and River roads. Also, the section above the culvert on Union Falls Rd. Mike Souliere, Road Commissioner, will obtain quotes for these roads from Dayton Sand & Gravel. The final paving for the Anderson Rd will be completed this spring for \$35,156. Also, this spring work will be completed on Bittersweet. To reclaim and pave will cost \$39,413 and ditching will be approximately \$5,000. Mike communicated that he will be trimming trees along Gould Rd.
3. Fireworks Ordinance. Jim Roberts communicated that the Planning Board is in the process of developing an ordinance.
4. Local Food & Community Self-Governance Ordinance. The Town of Sedgwick sent information to the Selectmen bringing to their attention the possible need for this ordinance. The information provided indicated that the town would need to adopt an ordinance to allow church suppers, bake sales, etc. Keith Harris communicated that he spoke with the State Inspector who

inspects commercial kitchens and he stated that non-profits are exempt and are not required to obtain a commercial kitchen license.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. RSU23 update. A RSU23 Budget Workshop will be held in Dayton on Wednesday, February 29<sup>th</sup>.

Skip Cushman, RSU23 School Board member & Town Education Committee member, asked the Selectmen if they would like the Education Committee to continue. Skip communicated that the cost sharing formula was passed and will be a savings for the town. Skip feels that know with the new formula that the Town could not provide education services for less. Some of the things a town on its own would need to have in its plan would be a superintendent, special education services and housing buses & fuel. All of things would be costly to a town. So, does the Town want to get out because you want complete control or do you want to stay in? The Selectmen discussed and communicated that they would like the Education Committee to continue with researching the options to be able to provide information to the residents.

Skip Cushman communicated that he is on the Equalization Committee that is looking to equalize teachers and student ratios across the RSU. Currently, SMS has approximately 790 students and is overcrowded. The committee looked at options to alleviate the situation at Saco Middle School (SMS). At SMS there is on average 28 students per classroom and at OOB Loranger Middle School there are 14 students per classroom. Saco Middle School is for grades 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> and Loranger is for 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>. One of the options is to inform parents of the RSU of the two options for middle school and allow students to voluntary select Loranger. Parents will be receiving communication regarding these choices and schools will host an open house. The Town of Dayton has always had choice for grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. Another note is that SMS will see a slight decline in enrollment next year.

2. Fire Department Budget Presentation. The Fire Department will be presenting their budget on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the Fire Station to the Boards of Selectmen, Budget Committees and Fire Commission for Dayton & Lyman. The public is welcome to attend.
3. Town Budget/Town Meeting date. The Board of Selectmen set the Annual Town Meeting date for Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7PM and set the first budget workshop for February 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM.
4. Planning Board Training request. Some of the Planning Board members are looking for approval to attend a Local Planning Board Workshop being held in Biddeford in March that would cost \$40 per person. The Selectmen approved the request.
5. The office will be closed Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

The installation of smart meters for the town is at 95% complete. CMP had to order special meters for the larger accounts and will be installing these meters in the near future.

**SIGNED:**

1. 02/16/12 A/P Warrant
2. 02/16/12 P/Y Warrant

**OUTSTANDING ITEMS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Scott Littlefield made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to 25 M.R.S.A. 2006 to review a concealed weapons background check at 19:45.

Mike Polakewich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 19:46.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Ted Poirier, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_ Mike Polakewich

\_\_\_\_\_ Scott Littlefield

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