

# **SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**

**March 12, 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:** Twelve Town Rep Millie Tuttle, Residents Jerry Taylor, John Gay

*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 BUSINEES:**

1. Fire Commission. The Board of Selectmen received an invitation the annual GMFR banquet.
2. Road Updates. Town roads are currently posted. Discussion was held on pulling the signs soon. Mike Souliere, Road Commissioner, communicated that he works with Biddeford on the timing of pulling signs. The signs will probably be pulled sometime next week. Mike also mentioned that there is still a water issue and some soft areas across from the sugar shack on the Anderson Rd. Scott Littlefield and Mike to review Anderson Rd. The issues on Anderson Rd will need to be addressed before the final coat of paving is done by Dayton Sand & Gravel. Several other areas that Mike will address in the near future are the guardrails on River Rd, Hollis Rd, Company Rd and Union Falls Rd and tree trimming on Murch Rd and Hill Rd. Some discussion was held on what roads will be worked on in the next fiscal year.
3. Fireworks Ordinance. A public hearing for the fireworks ordinance will be on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.
4. Municipal Budget. The Selectmen will meet on Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> after the regular selectmen meeting to hold a budget workshop.
5. Twelve Town Update. Millie Tuttle communicated that currently LIHEAP is administered under Maine State Housing Authority and there is some discussion of moving the responsibility of LIHEAP to the towns or back to

York County Community Action. During a recent meeting the York County Budget was discussed. The budget increased \$81,000 over last year and towns should be receiving a letter soon stating their share of the York County taxes. One area where the county budget was reduced was funding to non-profit agencies. Many of these agencies also directly request funding from towns. Millie also communicated that the DOT has approximately \$7 million for transportation projects for 50/50 funding to towns. The Town of Alfred shared a best practice with the group. The town collects returnable bottles & cans to raise money for heating assistance for residents in need. Last year the town raised \$10,000.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Tax Collector.
  - a. Excise Tax Exemption for Military. A new law became effective January 1<sup>st</sup> for a new local option excise tax exemption for active duty military personnel. Selectmen agreed to add a warrant article to the annual warrant for the voters.
  - b. Rapid Renewal. Legislation was recently passed that will allow towns to accept credit/debit cards for the online Rapid Renewal service at no cost to your municipality. All of the processing costs included in the total online renewal price paid by the customer. After discussion Selectmen agreed that the processing costs should be paid by the customer and new paper work should be filed with InforME.
  - c. Monthly reporting. The balance due for real & personal as of February is \$150,085 which represents 76 accounts. Excise taxed collected for the month was \$35,691.
2. Treasurer Reporting. Angela Cushman provided February reporting to the Selectmen. Based on some analysis completed by Angela the Selectmen would like the article for taxes in the annual town warrant to indicate that in order to receive the discount the taxes will have to be paid within 30 days of the real estate and personal property tax bills. The due date for taxes will continue to be mid October as determined by the Tax Collector and Treasurer. Angela communicated that the status of the municipal start up funds for GMFR is unknown. An email was sent to the Lyman Treasurer to request invoices for Dayton's portion of any expenses related to the start up of the municipal fire department. The town may have an overage in this account.
3. Steele Rd. Superior Court has determined that Steele Rd is a town road. Ted communicated that the town will be receiving documentation on the determination soon.
4. Fire Department warrants. Some discussion was held on how the GMFR warrants will be processed going forward now that it is a municipal department. The process will be that the Fire Chief will approve the invoices, the Lyman Treasurer will prepare the warrants and the Fire Commission and

Lyman Selectmen will approve the warrants. The Dayton Selectmen would like to receive reporting on a monthly basis.

5. Dangerous Building located 490 Hollis Rd. update. **Mike Polakewich made a motion to have Jim Roberts direct the Town Attorney to seek an order of demolition by filing a complaint with the York County Superior Court; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Littlefield. Passed 3/0.**

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Elected Officials workshop. Ted Poirier and Scott Littlefield will attend the training on July 19<sup>th</sup> in Saco.

**SIGNED:**

1. 03/15/12 A/P Warrant
2. 03/15/12 P/Y Warrant
3. 01/16/12 Selectmen minutes
4. 01/30/12 Selectmen minutes
5. 02/08/12 Selectmen minutes
6. 02/13/12 Selectmen minutes
7. Time off requests

**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 20:17.

Mike Polakewich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 20:18.

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

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

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

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