

# SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

**November 21, 2011**

**PRESENT:** Ted Poirier, Scott Littlefield, Mike Polakewich, Jim Roberts, Mike Souliere

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ron Smith, Tom McKenney, John Gay, Steve & Lisa Morse, David Ordway

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Selectmen signed concealed weapons permit.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**OLD BUSINEES:**

1. Time Warner. Mike Polakewich communicated that in order to televise meetings it will cost approximately \$38,000. As part of the negotiations Mike will try to get some of this expense covered by Time Warner. At this point all the towns involved are obtaining pricing and will reconvene soon.
2. Fire Commission. David Ordway, Town Attorney, communicated that there are still several concerns that remain in transferring the Fire Department to a municipal department. One issue is the housing of the '53 Chevy in either the fire barn or at another suitable location. The second issue is the pending litigation in relation to the building of the fire barn. The initial thoughts were to transfer the fire department in two stages; a personal property transfer and then the real estate transfer after all the issues were resolved with the fire barn including the closing of the grant and settling the disputes. David is concerned that if the Fire Department is controlling the litigation then ultimately it could involve financial consequences that could fall to the towns. David feels that the towns should be involved in settling the litigation. The Fire Department will be meeting and voting on an updated Purchase & Sale Agreement tomorrow night. **Mike Polakewich made a motion that on Wed., Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> that the Dayton Selectmen will sign the updated documents in conjunction with the other parties; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted Poirier. Passed 3/0.**

3. Road updates. Scott Littlefield will follow up on the shim for the Anderson Rd. Some discussion was held regarding when road maintenance projects are completed by the Road Commissioner. The Road Commissioner will complete the shoulder work on Dyer Rd this week.
4. Automatic foreclosures. Angela Cushman reported that there were 7 accounts that received an automatic foreclosure letter for the 2009 taxes. As of today three have paid.
5. Salt Shed repairs. The door and the inside light have been fixed. The outside light still needs a new light bulb.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Audit. Ron Smith, RHR Smith, communicated that the 2011 audit is complete and the Town's financials look solid. Selectmen agreed that all management letter comments will be addressed in the order of importance. The current surplus amount gives the Town a cushion of 30 days. The Town should work towards 60 days. Some discussion was held on the timeframe given for the discount. The Town may want to shorten the timeframe. The Treasurer will need to do some analysis on the discount timeframe.
2. Bickford Rd. Steve & Lisa Morse who own property on Bickford Rd we asking the Selectmen to sign a consent agreement. The original owners, Ed & Sarah LeBlanc, purchased the property at some time. In August 2001, the LeBlancs sold a piece to Carl & Deb Sawyer. In December 2004 sold another piece to Skip & Angela Cushman. At that point a non-approved subdivision was created. In December 2005, the Morses purchased the remainder of the property from the LeBlancs. In June 2006, the Morses were looking to create a subdivision, but withdrew the plans. The Selectmen directed Jim Roberts to take this issue to the Planning Board and to send a letter to Ed & Sarah LeBlanc to resolve this issue right away.
3. Special Town Meeting date. On January 16<sup>th</sup> the Selectmen will hold a special town meeting to obtain approval for spending grant money.
4. Fireworks moratorium. The Selectmen would like to put a 180 day moratorium in place until the voters have a chance to have input on a fireworks ordinance. Jim Roberts will follow up with the town attorney.
5. Tax Collector update. Yvonne Shaw provided monthly reporting for September and October. At the end of October \$245,105 was remaining for real estate and property taxes.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

Tom McKenney asked if in the future the Selectmen could introduce individuals that speak during a meeting. Also, Tom wondered about why the Selectmen went

from meeting every week to every other week. The Town does not have a charter, so the Selectmen decide on meeting frequencies. Tom asked if the Town could develop some guidelines/requirements for the Selectmen so that the Town is aware.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**SIGNED:**

1. 11/17/11 Selectmen minutes
2. Request for time off

**OUTSTANDING ITEMS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mike Polakewich made a motion to go into executive session at 19:10 pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(E) to consult with the Town's attorney. Executive session ended at 19:28.

Made a motion to go into executive session at 20:15 pursuant to 25 M.R.S.A. to review a background check for a concealed weapons permit.

Mike Polakewich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 20:25.

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

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

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

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

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