



## Selectmen Meeting 1-13-15

### *Approved Minutes*

**Present:** Select board members Charles Moser-Chairman, Bernie O'Grady, Louise Lavoie, Jeannine Phalon – Administrative Assistant, members of the public

**Call to order:** 7:37 PM

Next meeting: January 27, 2015 at 7:30PM at the Mann House

### **Approval of Manifests:**

Noted board of Selectmen signed payroll and accounts payable manifests

### **Approval of Minutes:**

- **Motion** by **Charles Moser** to approve December 23, 2014 Selectmen meeting minutes as submitted, **seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady** – vote **3-0** in the affirmative
- **Motion** by **Charles Moser** to approve January 6, 2015 Pipeline Hearing minutes as amended, **seconded** by **Louise Lavoie** – vote **3-0** in the affirmative
- **Motion** by **Charles Moser** to approve January 8, 2015 work session minutes as submitted, **seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady** – vote 3-0 in the affirmative

### **New Business:**

- Police Chief James Sartell from Hollis came in to speak to the Board regarding the new contract for 2015. He stated he likes to visit the communities they serve so that he can give them each a good idea of what they offer to the communities for service. This contract is for three years (ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 2017) but it is written such that either party can leave at any time if needed. He doesn't expect to see any monetary increase. The dispatch center dispatches for Hollis, Brookline, and Mason. The Community Advisory Board meets on a regular basis and anyone is welcome to come and participate. They are looking into backup radio communications along with some failsafe internet to assist in Mason dispatching. Chief Sartell will find out if he needs to inform the Attorney General's office of the new agreement.  
It was then **motioned** by **Charles Moser** to accept the InterMunicipal Agreement between Hollis and Mason with the addition of the town of Mason's property and liability insurance to the contract. **Seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady** – vote **3-0** in the affirmative.
- Paved Road Restoration Committee members, Harry Spear, Dave Morrison, Barbara Devore, and Roy Lundstedt, presented the five year plan to the Board. This included the study of the road mileage along with roads that need to be reclaimed and repaired. For town meeting, their report will have definitions of each type of road restoration material so the public will understand the scope of the project. The cost is only an estimate of the work and is based on 2014 aggregate prices. The committee did go back fourteen years of history for this project and came up with a maintenance program to hopefully be reached within about 5 years. The plan shows the timeline of road repairs for two roads in 2015, five roads in 2016, five roads in 2017, nine roads in 2018, and four roads in 2019. Each road will have different needs for repair that vary in range. The

Board suggested to have what the property tax impact would be within the report for town meeting.

**Charles Moser** made the **motion** to endorse the Highway Restoration Committee's report and recommendations. **Seconded** by **Louise Lavoie** – vote **3-0** in the affirmative.

- Warrant article presented to the Board by Amyas Huston regarding removal of covenant of Map B Lot 24. **Motion** by **Charles Moser** to place warrant article on town warrant as presented by Mr. McMartin, attorney representing the Hustons, once it has been reviewed by town counsel **Seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady** – vote **3-0** in the affirmative.
- John Cooper was invited to the Board meeting with regards to the pipeline and was presented a draft of a warrant article written by Charles Moser. Two articles were presented by Charlie Moser for the Board to review. Select Person Louise Lavoie stated it was important to keep the cost associated with the pipeline separate from the regular budget. She will contact other organizations to get a better feel of those costs. Charles Moser will run both articles by town counsel and the Board will re approach this at next Select Board meeting.
- Fire Chief Dave Baker came to the Board with explanations to keeping the secretary line in the 2015 budget. He explained his intention is to step down in the not so distant future and having a secretary to do necessary paperwork would help him to get the department in a better position for when that time comes. Bernie O'Grady suggested it would also benefit the department by having the current officers take on some of those responsibilities. Charles Moser stated having the secretary may provide some continuity when the change of leadership happens. Louise Lavoie suggested removing the position as it hasn't been utilized much since it was created. There was discussion on whether it should be paid with a stipend or hourly. Louise Lavoie voiced concern of this position growing in the future. Charles Moser suggested funding it to \$1800. The Board all agreed and it will be placed back in the FD budget at \$1800 for 2015.  
Building maintenance line was removed from the Fire Dept budget and added to the Town Buildings line. Chief Baker would like this placed back in his budget. The Board stated they did this so they could maintain all the buildings within one area and get a better sense as to what each is in need of for repairs. Charles Moser stated that having them all in one budget may not be the best way to manage expenditures but would like to try it this way for the 2015 budget.
- Town and School will combine this year for town reports. Jeannine will contact school to coordinate.
- Motion by Louise Lavoie to accept NRPC contract for 2015 year. Seconded by Bernie O'Grady vote 3-0 in the affirmative. NRPC contract was signed for 2015
- Administrative abatements for Map A Lot 19, Map L Lot 37, and Map B Lot 14-3, drawn up by the assessor, were signed by the Board
- AccuKeep contract for 2015 was signed
- \$35 fee for NH Health Officers' Association was added to the budget for dues for 2015

#### **Old Business:**

- Building Inspector position was tabled until next meeting. Louise Lavoie to have more information at that time.

**Informational items/Communication:**

- HealthTrust conference on upcoming requirements for ACA February 12, 2015. Jeannine and Brenda to go if possible
- Reviewed letter from a Mason resident about the pipeline. Keep on file.
- Federal funds for Highway Safety grant # 315-15A-077 approved
- Building permits census to be filled out by Building Inspector
- Video of pipeline hearing to possibly go on the town's website. Jeannine will contact Alanna to see if it is possible.

**Public Communications:**

- Garth Fletcher commended Dave Baker for coming into the Board meeting and requesting help for paperwork.

**Non Public:**

- **Motion** by **Charles Moser** to enter into Non-Public per RSA 91-1:3, II(c), Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant. **Seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady** – vote **3-0** in the affirmative at 10:49PM
- Re-entered Public session at 11:46 PM

**Motion** made by **Charles Moser** to adjourn meeting, **seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady**. Vote **3-0** in the affirmative at 11:46PM

Respectively submitted,

Jeannine Phalon

Administrative Assistant