

Selectmen Meeting 11/10/15

Approved minutes

Present: Select Board Members Bernie O'Grady, Chair; Louise Lavoie and Charles Moser; administrative assistant Kathy Wile, Pat Letourneau, Brenda Wiley and members of the public Harry Spears, Ashley Saari, Bob Bergeron, Barbara Devore and Wolfgang Millbrandt.

Call to Order: 7:31 PM

Approval of Manifests: Noted the Board signed payroll and accounts payable manifests

Approvals: Charles Moser moved, Bernie O'Grady seconded to approve minutes of the 10/27/15 meeting as written. **Vote 3-0 to approve**.

Minutes of the joint meeting of the select board and the pipeline advisory committee held on 11/3/15 were reviewed, changes were suggested. Bernie O'Grady moved, Charles Moser seconded to approve the minutes with the changes specified. **Vote 3-0 to approve** with changes. Louise will make the changes as noted and send to Kathy.

New Business: Noted that the new non-public session form is in place and in compliance with changes mandated for January 2016.

*Pat Letourneau informed the board that \$100,000 of the TAN money will be borrowed for the school payment, should be all done needing TAN moneys by the 1st of January. She suggested the Board approve a request for TAN for next fiscal year, for the usual \$750,000 to be done in January 2016.

*Pat clarified that the additional card for Melissa at the Police Dept will be a credit card, not a debit card, as she had stated at the last meeting. Pat will find out the minimum credit amount she can get on the new card.

*Pat brought up the auditor's report as she had questions/concerns. Selectmen had not sufficiently reviewed the report, and asked her to share concerns 1:1 with them before the next meeting to see if further conversation was needed, and if it should be public vs non-public session.

*Brenda Wiley presented the new tax rate at \$23.78, down .03 from last year. Bernie O'Grady moved to accept the tax rate of \$23.78, Louise Lavoie seconded and the **vote to accept was 3-0 in favor**.

* Paved Road Restoration Fund – Bernie O'Grady moved Louise Lavoie seconded to encumber the amount of \$23,342.09 for next year. **Vote 3-0** to encumber.

*Well Head Protection Ordinance – discussion as to lack of clarity in various definitions as well as on the map itself as to what the protection area is. Louise Lavoie will bring their note to the next Planning Board meeting, and report back to the Select Board.

* Lighting Ordinance – discussion focused on lack of definition, enforcement authority and if these new ordinances would put an undue burden on local businesses.

Charles Moser will send his notes to Louise Lavoie, who will bring them to the **Planning** Board and report back.

Signed: Tax Collector's Warrant Timber Yield reports for 3 separate cuts

Informational: Regarding a question concerning who pays for change in current use penalty – typically that is part of the property transfer negotiation, and the default is the buyer pays. Noted that Charles Moser recused himself from the conversation.

Old Business: regarding ATV use on the Rail Trail, selectmen are looking for a recommendation to come from the Conservation Commission, especially as regards easement and grant language. Barbara Devore stated it was on the agenda for the next meeting of the Conservation Commission which would be Weds 11/11.

Public Forum: Wolfgang Millbrandt asked if any members of the select board had looked at his stone wall. It was decided that Bernie O'Grady and Charles Moser would meet Wolfgang at the stone wall in question on Pratt Pond Road at 9:00 AM Friday, 11/13. This will be a posted meeting.

Barbara Devore stated she attended the Conservation Commission conference recently held in Pembroke – best ever was her rating. She asked if Mason would be aligning with other towns in possible litigations concerning the pipeline, to which Charles Moser replied that "(The Town's) legal strategies were being held close to the chest".

Non Public: Motion made by Charles Moser, seconded by Bernie O'Grady to move to Non-Public session per RSA 91-A:3, II(b) **Vote was: O'Grady-aye, Lavoie-aye, Moser** – **aye** made at 9:00 PM.

Returned to Public session at 9:35, when it was moved by Charles Moser to seal the minutes of the non-public session; seconded by Louise Lavoie and **Voted 3-0 to seal** the minutes.

Move to adjourn by Charles Moser, second by Bernie O'Grady **vote 3-0 to adjourn** at 9:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Wile Adminstrative Assistant