

## SELECTMEN'S MINUTES SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

The Selectmen's meeting for Monday, September 10, 2012 started at 6:30 p.m. Present were Selectman Malloy, Selectman Gaudiello, Selectman Hatch, Chairman Clark and Selectman Pratt and Clerk McNeil. Administrator Scruton was absent.

Chairman Clark welcomed everyone and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### APPOINTMENTS

Denise Hart – "Save Our Groundwater" Update – Denise Hart and Marika Wilde were present noting that Save Our Groundwater has been in existence for 11 years. Ms. Hart reported that bankruptcy sale of the USA Springs land and buildings is underway and the property will be sold with permits that are unexpired; many of the permits have expired. The property will be going up for auction on September 28, 2012 with the close for bids on September 14, 2012. Towns that have filed as creditors for any taxes, fees, costs and penalties due the Town will be number one to be paid after court expenses. Mrs. Hart had done some research and found that no proof of claims to the court had been filed for Barrington since 2009. She felt that the "town needs to pay attention to the deadlines". Clerk McNeil will ask the tax collector to respond the Board's concern of the filings.

Village Place Conservation Easement– presented by Marcia Gasses, Town Planner. The proposed conservation easement consists of 32.3 acres. It abuts the neighboring conservation easement of Wedgewood Estates. Mr. Falzone has offered to pay \$5,000 for the monitoring of the easement. A question arose as to which entity receives the \$5,000 – the Town or the Conservation Commission. There will still be a lot of negotiations between the developer and the Conservation Commission before the Easement is finalized. Chairman Clark would like the \$5000 further defined. Selectman Hatch supports the easement being contiguous to Wedgewood Estate's Open Space. Would the homeowners association own the easement or would it be a percentage interest to all? Several questions still need to be answered.

Marcia Gasses also spoke of the Leahy property that abuts the Tamposi Conservation Easement. This would be an outright purchase. Several appraisals were done and will be reviewed before a decision is made on the property. More information will be gathered regarding the property.

### DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Amy Inglis – Library Director - Mrs. Inglis reviewed the goals for the library some of which include the following: public safety for staff and patrons, better circulation desk coverage by hiring a page for the mornings, more space is needed for audio and the adult non-fictions collection, updated technology for the public with technical assistance, continue high quality programs for the community, four sessions for story time and

cross train the assistant director. It was noted that there have already been 65,000 items circulated to date. "We continue to look at meeting the demands of the public."

Tara Barker – Recreation Director – Mrs. Barker passed out paperwork regarding the number of participants in the various programs and supplied a mid-year report. She spoke of the fishing derby. Summer camp had higher numbers than last year and had a waiting list. Mrs. Barker spoke of the operating budget noting that there is 41% remaining in the budget. They try to put as much through the Recreation Revolving Fund. The Revolving Fund, as of July, had an increase of \$88,999 over last year at this same time. She also noted the 2012 expenses that the Recreation Commission has absorbed through the Revolving Fund.

REVIEW OF MINUTES – AUGUST 13, 2012 - Selectman Pratt moved to acceptance of the minutes as amended, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

#### STAFF REPORT

##### Administrator Scruton

Chairman Clark reviewed Administrator Scruton's staff report.

1. Budgets are going to start in October so each department head will be in with objectives and a budget for discussion for the final quarter.
2. Jeff Adler, Marcia Gasses, Peter Cook and Administrator Scruton met with MJS Engineers at the Gerrior Subdivision to look at the work that has already been completed and to review what would need to be worked on before the Board would entertain accepting the road.
3. The Planning Board would need to specify a time frame as a condition of approval if driveway aprons are going to be required under the Subdivision Regulations.
4. Selectman Hatch moved to authorize the homeowner to upgrade of a 300' portion of Wildcat Road, from Young Road, as the road has been washed out and needs crowning and ditching under the supervision of Peter Cook, seconded by Selectman Gaudiello. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
5. There was discussion regarding the amount to take from the Paving Capital Reserve account to pay for this year's paving. The issue was tabled.
6. Selectman Gaudiello moved to authorize the use of the Compactor Capital Reserve fund to pay for replacement of the broken compactor at the transfer station at a cost of \$14,457, seconded by Selectman Malloy. It was unanimously

voted in the affirmative. The replacement was put out to bid and only one company responded.

7. The Town put out to bid a request for striping of yellow center lines and stop bars. Four companies responded with prices ranging from \$13,173 to \$22,499. Chief Conway supported the idea as "stop bars are important" and this would be beneficial to have done. Selectman Gaudiello moved to support the bid of \$13,275 by Industrial Traffic Lines from Londonderry, New Hampshire, seconded by Selectman Malloy. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
8. Administrator Scruton offered a revised draft for the earned time revisions for the Personnel Policy. Selectman Gaudiello moved to authorize the proposed changes to the earned time policy regarding holidays, earned time and sick bank, seconded by Selectman Pratt. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative. Implementation takes effect on September 17, 2012.
9. Chairman Clark moved to appoint Selectman Malloy as the town's representative to the 2013-2014 Legislative Policy Conference, seconded by Selectman Pratt. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative. Administrator Scruton will also be attending.

Clerk McNeil requested approval and/or signatures on the following:

1. Intent to Cuts for Peter Royce, Carolyn Bedford, Laremas/Hatem and Alex Short
2. Cash abatement #30 in the amount of \$42.37
3. Selectman Pratt moved to approve the road names of Breezy Way and Turkey Ridge Road for the Village Place subdivision, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative. It was noted that Turkey Ridge Road will be the road that comes off Route 9 and Breezy Way will be the cul-de-sac.
4. One Land Use Change Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,453.00.
5. The Board waived the interest on property taxes for two property owners McKenna and Schempf.
6. Chairman Clark signed the letter supporting SRPC's application for funding to support the Corridor Management Plan for the Oyster River.
7. Chairman Clark signed the temporary access for the Clark-Goodwill property so that a timber cut could be started.
8. Payroll manifests dated 8/15, 8/22, 8/29 and 9/5 were approved and signed.
9. Vendor manifests dated 8/16, 8/23, 8/30 and 9/6 were approved and signed.

#### OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business

#### NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Clark asked Peter Cook about the paving of the centerline in the recent paving projects. Mr. Cook stated that a letter will be coming from DuBois and King regarding this issue as they oversaw the project. He further noted that next year timing and penalties will be included in the contract. The edges on the sides of the road will be finished Tuesday.

Selectman Pratt noted an e-mail and attachment that he received from James Powers regarding Hearthside Drive. The developer has been correcting the various concerns. The decel lane that was a condition of the subdivision was unable to be completed due to an abutter not giving an easement. The developer has since obtained an easement and would like to proceed with the project. He would like conditional acceptance of Hearthside Drive as a Class V town maintained road. Members of the Board were unaware of this discussion and were not prepared to make a decision. The issue was deferred until the next meeting.

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Selectman Gaudiello noted that she was "served" the Fairpoint lawsuit.

Selectman Hatch stated that she attended the School Board meeting last week.

Enrollment of pre-kindergarten is down. There was a welcome reception for the new superintendent after the School Board Meeting.

Selectman Pratt noted that updated figures have been received from H. L. Turner for town office remediation. The committee will begin meeting again and will have a recommendation for the Selectmen in a month or two.

Selectman Malloy stated that he would be attending the Selectman Institute this Saturday.

Selectman Gaudiello moved to go into non-public session at 8:55 p.m. per RSA 91 A: 3 II a, c, d or e to discuss a personnel matter, seconded by Selectman Pratt. Chairman Clark asked for a roll call vote, Malloy – aye, Gaudiello – aye, Hatch – aye, Pratt – aye, Clark – aye. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Selectman Gaudiello moved to come out of non-public session at 9:10 p.m., seconded by Selectman Pratt. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.