

## SELECTMEN'S MINUTES MARCH 12, 2012

The Selectmen's meeting for Monday, March 12, 2012 started at 6:30 p.m. Present were Selectman Malloy, Selectman Gaudiello, Selectman Hatch, Selectman Clark, Administrator Scruton and Clerk McNeil. Chairman Pratt was absent.

Vice-Chairman Clark opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTMENTS – There were no appointments.

REVIEW OF MINUTES – February 20, 2012 – Selectman Gaudiello moved to accept the minutes of February 20, 2012 as written, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Selectman Hatch asked the Board to recognize the following members of the Planning Board who have resigned or decided not to be reappointed to that Board: John Huckins, Ed Lemos and David Vincent.

### STAFF REPORT

#### Administrator Scruton

1. The Board supported the recognition of Carol Reilly and past Town Administrators with a plaque at the town office with their name and years of service.
2. The Board of Selectmen will be issued @barrington.nh.gov email addresses. They were asked what variations would they like used. It was agreed to use their names instead of other variations.
3. Administrator Scruton was authorized to send the conceptual plan to the Conservation Commission and Planning Board to start the process on the Clark-Goodwill for a public-private development.
4. In order to clarify the use of the town seal, Administrator Scruton proposed an ordinance to be reviewed by the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Hatch moved to adopt the ordinance as amended, seconded by Selectman Malloy. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
5. Selectman Hatch moved to implement the 50 cent agent fee and the \$5 vehicle fee, if passed at town meeting, to be effective on May 1<sup>st</sup>, seconded by Selectman Gaudiello. It was unanimously voted.
6. Administrator Scruton proposed a change to the amount of \$5,000 used as a threshold for capital asset items to \$10,000. Selectman Clark moved to support the fixed asset amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000, seconded by Selectman Hatch. Administrator Scruton noted that the roads will be tracked as a group. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative. He also proposed a change to the inventory tracking to \$5,000. Selectman

Gaudiello asked how this number would apply for insurance purposes if the town had to report a loss. The issue was tabled for more information.

7. The Fire Chief asked about providing some maintenance to Swain Road Class VI section for safety issues. Towns do not provide maintenance on Class VI roads. This would be an exception allowed for public safety and also because the town forest is located on this section of road and that is for public use. Peter Cook does not believe the town should start maintenance under "emergency lane status". The issue was tabled because Chairman Pratt wanted to be included in this discussion.
8. Administrator Scruton noted that town meeting established the town forest under the management of the Conservation Commission. The Barrington Town Forest Task Force manages the town forest under the Conservation Commission. The Recreation Director will be meeting with the Conservation Commission regarding upkeep of the trails and their use.
9. Administrator Scruton explained the responsibilities of the Board of Selectmen at elections.
10. Administrator Scruton thanked Doug Langdon for this help in bidding out our electricity usage. Administrator Scruton would like to award the bid and start with a new rate in April. The Board supported this request.
11. Administrator Scruton stated that he and Clerk McNeil met with both Farmington and Rochester to look at regional assessing.

#### Clerk McNeil

1. The Board approved abatements #4 - #7.
2. The Board approved the denial of a Veteran's Exemption as the resident did not serve during an armed conflict.
3. The Board approved sending documentation to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation stating that the Barrington Fire Department is a Department of the Town of Barrington. Chief Walker explained that the Department needs to be recognized by this Foundation if a firefighter loses his/her life in the line of duty.
4. One Intent to Excavate was approved and signed for Patrick Lavoie.
5. A Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$2,016.31 was approved and signed.
6. The Board signed payroll manifests dated 2/20, 2/26, & 3/4.
7. The Board signed vendor manifests dated 2/23, 2/29 & 3/8

Chief Walker asked the Board's permission to use the public safety building for a pancake breakfast fundraiser to be held on March 24<sup>th</sup>. The Board approved this request.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Turbocam – Clark-Goodwill Property – Administrator Scruton stated that the town is entering into a private/public partnership on this property. The property has been sitting unused for many years. The proposed agreement would have Turbocam subdividing the property and putting in the road. The town would have property on the left side and an area in the back for a ball field. The town will keep the gravel on their property along with 10,000 cu. Yards of gravel that is left from the development of the Turbocam building on the other side of the road. The

American legion would now have access to their property. Turbocam has an aggressive timetable. Selectman Hatch moved to send the proposal to the Planning Board and Conservation Commission for their recommendation on the development of the property and to hold the necessary public hearings, seconded by Selectman Gaudeillo. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative. Selectman Clark asked if there were any public comments. Steve Conklin felt that this property should be offered to the highest bidder. Administrator Scruton again noted that this property has been available for many years and no one has come forward. There is still opportunity if someone comes forward in the next six weeks. Jackie Kessler asked if Turbocam was moving their business or is this in addition – this is in addition to their property on Route 125. Rick Walker felt that this was a great idea and to move forward and get the tax revenue and jobs. Jackie Kessler thinks this is a fantastic opportunity. A public hearing will be scheduled in two weeks then another in two weeks and the third meeting the Board will make their final decision. The motion passes.

#### SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Selectman Gaudeillo stated that the library trustees have created a new performance evaluation for staff and a new one for the library director. A \$2000 donation was received from a patron and with money from the Friends of the Library more shelving will be purchased for book storage.

Selectman Hatch stated that the School Board met last Wednesday. She is happy to see the School Board working together for a common cause.

Selectman Malloy attended his first meeting with the Recreation Commission. They discussed space needs and building issues.

Selectman Clark felt that the Board should wait and make any appointments to Boards and Commissions after town meeting.

Selectman Hatch moved to go into non-public session at 7:12 p.m. per RSA 91 A: 3 II a, c, d, or e to discuss personnel. Selectman Clark asked for a roll call, Malloy – aye, Gaudiello – aye, Hatch – aye, Clark – any. The motion passes.

Selectman Hatch moved to come out of non-public session at 7:27 p.m., seconded by Selectman Gaudeillo. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.