

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES MONDAY, MAY 4, 2015

The Selectmen's meeting for Monday, May 4, 2015 started at 6:30 p.m. Present were Selectman Bussiere, Selectman Gaudiello, Selectman Hatch, Chairman Clark, Administrator Scruton and Clerk McNeil. Selectman O'Brien was absent.

Chairman Clark welcomed everyone and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Clark proclaimed the week of May 17 – 23, 2015 as Emergency Medical Services Week and read a Proclamation.

APPOINTMENTS

Opening of Loader Bids – Eight companies' submitted bids. Chairman Clark read the bids that will be reviewed by Administrator Scruton and Peter Cook. One bid came in 6 minutes late because they went to the highway shed. Selectman Bussiere moved to accept the bid, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Jere Calef stated he had nothing new to add from the prior meeting with the Board. Chairman Clark stated the issue will be discussed in non-public session

Doug Langdon spoke about the prospect of acquiring solar products for the town. There was discussion of working quickly before any credit incentive ends and only Barrington Power can meet the non-appropriation clauses before 2016 which mean a vote does not need to go before town meeting again. Mr. Langdon also spoke of the 2015 PSNH Restructuring and Rate Stabilization. PSNH rates will remain essentially the same for the next two years or may go down. Mr. Langdon explained a spreadsheet developed by Barrington Power regarding projected savings using different percentages. Selectman Gaudiello asked if there is any chance there is a risk that may cost the town after installing solar. There is a chance but it may be low. However, putting in solar is not just a money saving feature. Jack Bingham feels that natural gas coming to New England will not reduce the price per kilowatt hour. Selectman Gaudiello felt there are a lot of uncertainties but there wouldn't be a worst case scenario for solar installation. Other things to think about are roof space, maintenance i.e. You are locking in to current technology if new technology changes that is also a risk. Ron St. Jean noted that a benefit is saving on the carbon footprint. Chris Carrera noted that the town is doing the right thing and utility companies could be concerned. "There are a lot of cool things going on with going greener." Marcia Gasses stated the location of the solar panels could be a concern and might include extra costs because of the location. Two ground mounts would be located one at the highway garage and one at the public safety building. Peter Cook expressed concern

that his footprint is getting smaller and smaller as the BYA field wants to expand towards the highway garage. Mr. Cook talked the CMA and noted that the panels could go on the landfill cap. There was concern that the panels would be too far away from the meter. Mr. Cook further stated that there isn't enough power to run the transfer station now. Chairman Clark supported any request from Mr. Cook regarding adding more power to allow the department to function. Rick Walker also stated there is limited space at the public safety building as any expansion to the police side would be where the solar panels would be located. Administrator Scruton noted hydric B soils would be a problem to expand the police station or parking into the proposed area. Chairman Clark encouraged anyone with concerns to bring something to the Board. Selectman Gaudiello stated that she is inclined to move forward after reviewing the concerns of the department heads. Administrator Scruton suggested setting up meetings to comply under 41:14-a. Selectman Bussiere feels he needs to see more numbers and doesn't feel comfortable entering into a contract for 20 years. The first of the required meetings will be held on Monday, May 11th and Administrator Scruton will present a summary.

Chairman Clark opened the public hearing at 7:45 p.m. on the acceptance of \$1,500 toward the Harlan Calef Reserve purchase and \$1,000 toward the Renna purchase on behalf of the Conservation Commission. The hearing closed at 7:47 p.m.

Selectman Bussiere moved to accept this money, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative. COMMENT PUBLIC

REVIEW OF MINUTES – April 6, 2015 & April 20, 2015 – Selectman Gaudiello moved to accept the minutes of April 6, 2015, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative. Selectman Gaudiello moved to accept the minutes of April 20, 2015, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

STAFF REPORT

Administrator Scruton

1. Selectman Gaudiello moved to authorize Administrator Scruton to proceed with the Planning Board to ask for an advisory opinion for moving the radio antenna, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
2. The Board authorized American Legion Post 114 to hold Poppy Day at the transfer station on May 23, 2015.
3. A requirement of the acquisition of the Harlan Calef Conservation Reserve was to construct a parking area and a portion of the Class VI section would be upgraded to Class V. Chief Walker had a concern with the proposed

hammerhead turn-around and parking and room for emergency vehicles to get in and turn around. Currently there is no place to turn. The Conservation Commission would be paying \$15,000 to have this work completed. Several ideas were presented. It was agreed that Chief Walker, Peter Cook and John Wallace will work on a solution.

4. Selectman Hatch moved to support the recommendation of Peter Cook to hire R & D Paving, seconded by Selectman Bussiere. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
5. Selectman Hatch moved to propose that when a property owner requests additional paving at the end of their driveway or private road, the town will put the property owner in contact with the firm that is doing the town's paving project and the homeowner will pay directly to the paving company, seconded by Selectman Gaudiello. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
6. The Town Clerk's office would like to enter into an agreement for the use of credit cards. At this point, the Board had too many questions and the concern of fraud. This issue will be discussed further.
7. The Board agreed to sell 456 Pond Hill Road "as is" and the new owner will be responsible for cleaning up the property in timeframe as designated. The property will also be posted "No Trespassing".
8. Selectman Hatch moved to nominate John Wallace to the Oyster River Local River Management Advisory Committee, seconded by Selectman Bussiere. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
9. Selectman Bussiere moved to appoint Fred Nichols as a full member of the Planning Board until 2018, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
10. The town closed on the purchase of the Renna property on April 29th.
11. Administrator Scruton signed an agreement for another option year (August 2016-July 2017) for the leased town office space at 333 Calef Highway.
12. The USPAP report on last year's revaluation is available for inspection.
13. Ford Motor Company has not provided a formal answer to the town's request regarding past due tax bills for Harding/Johnson property.
14. Marcia Gasses noted that Cedar Creek, a subdivided private road, has no bond in place. The issue has been turned over to the town's attorney.
15. Administrator Scruton will ask Groen Builders to present their findings of the old town office in time for the May 21st meeting.

Clerk McNeil

Clerk McNeil requested signatures on the following:

1. Notice of Intent to Excavate for D & D Hatch, and Paul Guphill, Excavation Warrant in the amount of \$6,174.10, Notice of Intent to Cut for Pine Grove

Cemetery, Payroll Manifests dated 4/19 & 4/26 and Vendor Manifests dated 4/23 & 4/30.

2. Selectman Gaudiello moved to appoint Traci Bisson as a Library Trustee Alternate, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

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Selectman Hatch reported that she recently attended a Library Trustees meeting and also noted that Traci Bisson will be an asset to the Trustees. The Envisioning Communications meeting will be on Thursday. Selectman Hatch noted the passing of Pauline Scruton and the Board offered condolences to the family.

Selectman Bussiere reported that he and Selectman O'Brien recently attended a new Selectmen's workshop.

Selectman Gaudiello stated that the School District will be paving the entire ECLC/Recreation/Library parking lot this summer.

Chairman Clark stated from his attending a School Board meeting that the end of the year is very hectic.

Peter Cook stated that he recently attended a FEMA meeting. The representatives from FEMA were impressed with the package that Erin Paradis put together on behalf of the town. Chief Walker concurred and felt that the town should get what they requested.

Marcia Gasses reported that she recently attended a regional planning meeting and the dangerous intersection at Route 125 and Mallego/Province has made the State's 10 year list.

Selectman Gaudiello moved to go into non-public session at 8:30 p.m. per RSA 91-A:3 c for reputation, seconded by Selectman Bussiere. Chairman Clark asked for a roll call, Bussiere – aye, Gaudiello – aye, Hatch – aye, Clark – aye. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

The Board supported starting the eviction process with four properties and getting legal advice on a fifth. The tax collector's office has 18 people on payment plans, 12 in good standing, 5 making payments here and there and 1 with an IRS lien.

Selectman Gaudiello moved to come out of non-public session at 8:48 p.m., seconded by Selectman Bussiere. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Selectman Gaudiello moved to go into non-public session at 8:52 p.m., per RSA 91-A:3 a personnel, seconded by Selectman Bussiere. Chairman Clark asked for a roll call, Bussiere – aye, Gaudiello – aye, Hatch – aye, Clark – aye. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Selectman Gaudiello moved to come out of non-public session at 9:46 p.m. and to seal the minutes, seconded by Selectman Hatch. Chairman Clark asked for a roll call, Bussiere – aye, Hatch – aye, Gaudiello – aye, Clark – aye. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 p. m.