# SELECTMEN'S MINUTES MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016

The Selectmen's meeting for Monday, October 3, 2016 started at 6:30 p.m. Present were Selectman Ayer, Selectman Gaudiello, Selectman Hatch, Selectman Knapp, Chairman O'Brien, Administrator Scruton and Clerk McNeil

Chairman O'Brien welcomed everyone and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPOINTMENTS

Tax Collector – Linda Markiewicz – Tax Deeding - Ms. Markiewicz spoke about the different properties that were up for deeding and why she would be asking for deed waivers. Tax deeding will be Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. After reviewing the list, Selectman Gaudiello moved to waive the names recommended by the Tax Collector in bold print and to review the remainder at the next meeting, seconded by Chairman O'Brien. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Lindsey Maziarz was present as she was interest in becoming a Library Trustee Alternate. She stated that when she became a fulltime stay-at-home parent she found comfort in our library. The library offered connection with other stay-at-home parents. Selectman Hatch moved to appoint Lindsey Maziarz as a Library Trustee Alternate until March, 2017, seconded by Selectman Ayer. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Randall Heller, of Tolend Road noted that Tolend Road goes into Dover and has become a cut through road with speeds in excess of the speed limit. There are trucking limitations in Dover but not in Barrington. He recommended using "speed tables" on Tolend Road. He would like the Board to give consideration to installing "speed tables".

REVIEW OF MINUTES – September 19, 2016 - Selectman Hatch moved to accept the minutes of September 19, 2016, seconded by Selectman Ayer. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

# STAFF REPORT

# Administrator Scruton

- 1. The Conservation Commission is requesting the merger of several town owned properties in the Samuel A. Tamposi Water Supply Reserve. It is basically a "housekeeping" procedure. Selectman Ayer moved to merge the properties with the recording fee to come from the Conservation Commission, seconded by Chairman O'Brien. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.
- 2. Chairman O'Brien opened the seal bids for road striping. Three bids were received from the following companies: Industrial Traffic Line Inc., Markings Inc. and HyWay Safety Systems Inc. References were supplied by Industrial and Hyway. Peter Cook will review the bids and make a recommendation for the next meeting.
- 3. Chairman O'Brien opened the sealed bids for finance software. The bids were received from Tyler, Interware Development, Avitar Associates, Blumshapiro Consulting Accufund, and BS&A Software. The technology #1 committee will review the bids.
- 4. Selection of Engineer Committee Member, Marcia Gasses called references. The committee used a point system to score the companies. The results were Dubois & King 75,

Tighe & Bond 74 and Underwood 71. Chairman O'Brien opened the fee schedules for the above engineering companies. Ms. Gasses spoke as a member of the committee. She felt the committee had good conversation and strong feelings. She noted DuBois & King (our current engineers) have been easy to work with; they come to meetings and do not charge. A lot of the work done by the engineers is for the Planning Board and is paid for by the applicant. Peter Cook stated that he has been pleased with DuBois & King. They have worked for the town for 4 or 5 years. They have been highly responsive to the Highway Department needs. Selectman Knapp raised the question about "cold planning" being included in the road report but that is not feasible in Barrington. Selectman Gaudiello moved to award the contract to Dubois and King, seconded by Selectman Hatch. Chairman O'Brien asked for a roll call, Ayer – nay, Gaudiello – aye, Hatch – aye, Knapp – nay. O'Brien – aye. The motion passes.

## Clerk McNeil

Clerk McNeil requested signatures on the following: the general election warrant, Intent to Cut (2), Payroll Manifests dated 9/18 & 9/25 and Vendor Manifests dated 9/21 and 9/28. Permission to sell several properties will be reviewed at another meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

It was noted by several members of the Board that Route 9 by Oak Hill Road and several other areas on Route 9 have "divots" from the recent paving job. The state is aware of the problem and it will be corrected.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

SATWaSR Merge – previously discussed.

# SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Selectman Gaudiello was unable to attend the recent Conservation Commission meeting. As a member of the Board for Cornerstone VNA she noted their "Hats Off for Hospice" event on October 21, 2016.

Selectman Hatch attended the Library Trustees meeting where she met Lindsey Maziarz. The Trustees are also working with the foundation committee. She was unable to attend the ZBA meeting where two variances were granted.

Selectman Ayer attended the recent Conservation Commission meeting and will be attending the Planning Board meeting this Tuesday.

Selectman Knapp attended the school board meeting on September 20<sup>th</sup> along with Chairman O'Brien. Chairman O'Brien brought up the issue to the school board regarding posting salaries and benefits. There was discussion regarding bus service to Oyster River High School when Oyster River becomes a "school of record".

Chairman O'Brien noted the tax rate for the school will go up of \$1/\$1000. He stated that when the Board of Selectmen works on their budgets they try to "sharpen their pencils". He encouraged tax payers to attend school board meetings to see where their money is spent.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Maustellar asked about the DuBois & King bid, and the Petition for a full-time administrator. He further criticized the bid process and how things were listed in the bid when you should be comparing apples to apples. Peter Cook noted that he is following the process that he was told to do. He asked Mr. Maustellar if only once would he say something positive regarding town employees and department heads.

Cemetery Trustee, Rick Walker noted that the stumps at the cemetery will be removed and the land leveled shortly.

Chief Walker noted that he attended a symposium and looked at various ambulance billing companies. He would like the Board's permission to take part in a consortium regarding ambulance billing. The consensus of the Board was to proceed.

Selectman Gaudiello moved to go into non-public session at 7:51 p.m. per RSA 91 A: 3 II for personnel and land, seconded by Selectman Hatch. Chairman O'Brien asked for a roll call, Ayer – aye, Gaudiello – aye, Hatch –aye, Knapp – aye. O'Brien – aye. The motion passes.

Selectman Hatch moved to come out of non-public session at 8:35, seconded by Selectman Gaudiello. Chairman O'Brien asked for a roll call, Ayer – aye, Gaudiello – aye, Hatch – aye, Knapp – aye, O'Brien – aye. The motion passes

Selectman Ayer moved to seal the minutes as the decision could render the proposed action ineffective, seconded by Selectman Hatch. It was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

The Board of Selectmen voted in non-public session to appoint Abbey Simmers Morse as Finance Officer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.