

Dunstable Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes, Monday 6 August, 2012

Called to order @7:00pm. Present: Walter Alterisio and Daniel Devlin; Absent Ken Leva.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Devlin. Minutes of the 23 July, 2012 B.O.S. Meeting were tabled.

Recommendation to appoint Bette F. Amodei to the Council on Aging was submitted by the committee. Motion to approve the recommendation was seconded and approved.

The Board of Selectmen convened a joint meeting with the Board of Water Commissioners for the purpose of filling a vacancy on the Board of Water Commissioners. Representing the Board of Water Commissioners was Chairman Karl Huber. Resident Joyce Cail of Forest Street was placed in nomination and seconded. A hand signed letter of support for the nomination from Water Commissioner Robert Gamache was presented and entered into the record. Mr. Huber submitted he'd had conversation with Mrs. Cail and was pleased she had agreed to serve. Mr. Alterisio submitted his prior experience with Mrs. Cail both as a member of the Planning Board and serving on the Area Planning Commission, (NMCOG). She has shown a real interest in wanting to contribute in shaping Dunstable's future. A motion to approve the nomination for the period until the next town election, at which time the Board of Water Commissioners will have on the ballot a two year and a three year position, was seconded and approved unanimously. Mr. Huber will converse with Mrs. Cail to appear before Town Clerk to be sworn in. Motion to close the Joint meeting was seconded and approved.

With the resignation of the town dog officer the duties have been temporarily assigned to the Police Department. On a limited basis the department will insure public safety with respect to dog issues until a more permanent solution can be installed. Discussion as to what options the town will look at is expected at a future meeting.

Discussion as to the next step in introducing professional municipal support included resident Mr. William Ahern who served on the Governance Committee. The August 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was modestly attended with many of the Town Elected Boards represented. Mr. Ahern volunteered to draft a mission statement which will be used to develop a job description by a committee of elected and appointed town officials.

Discussion on the recent storm related power outage included the reported efforts by the Emergency Management Director Jon Crandall to support any emergencies. Outages were up to 4 hours in some areas with Groton Street residents extending to the next day to replace a transformer. Mr. Alterisio reported conversations with National Grid were not helpful for reliable information, however with the short duration of the event it did not represent an issue.

Warrants were reviewed and signed. Meeting was adjourned 7:50 pm.

Submitted by Walter Alterisio, Clerk

Approved by Board of Selectmen 08-20-2012