

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SELECTMEN MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.
HALIFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – ROOM 105

Meeting came to order at 7:00 p.m. with Selectmen Troy E. Garron, Kim R. Roy and Michael J. Schleiff present.

The following business was discussed:

GENERAL MAIL / BUSINESS

Coin Shop

A coin shop has opened down at the Cumberland Farms plaza. It appears that the proper paperwork or procedures has not been file/done. The owner of the business said that he called the Selectmen's office and was told he did not need a license. Roy has spoken with the Town Clerk and he did file papers with her. He operates the same type of business in Whitman. With that being said it was stated that he should have been known what channels to go through. The business owner will be meeting with the Board on May 22nd. Schleiff asked if Seelig could call Whitman to see how his business is doing there in that town and if they have had any issues. Seelig will contact the Town of Whitman.

Town Vehicle Discussion

The Board scheduled to have a discussion regarding setting a policy for use of Town vehicles at their next meeting on May 22nd.

Kenzies Path

Conservation Commission is not recommending the acceptance of Kenzies Path. They want Mr. Springer to file a Request for Determination to replenish the stone in the drainage basin and have a peer review done at Mr. Springer's expense. Mr. Springer stated he is not going to file the necessary paperwork. Garron stated that nothing was said at previous meetings that the Board had with Springer and Conservation about replacing the stone and that there seems to be one issue after another that needs to be taken care of by Mr. Springer. Schleiff thinks that the town should accept the street.

Move by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously voted to recommend the acceptance of Kenzies Path at Town Meeting.

Dispatchers' Contract

Schleiff and Seelig will work on setting a date and time to meet with Union Representative, Karen Hathaway to discuss contract negotiations for the Dispatchers.

Adult Literacy Program

Elaine Wissel is working with the elderly on literacy and would like to meet with the Selectmen so that she can discuss what the program is.

Moved by Roy and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to have Ms. Wissel come in at the Boards next meeting on May 22nd.

Second Half Tax Bill

The Collector-Treasurer has received several complaints about residents not receiving their second half tax bills. One of the residents who had a complaint has contacted the Selectmen’s Office. The second half bills were sent out, but once they reach the Post Office the Collector-Treasurer has no way of knowing if they reach the taxpayers and the taxpayers are obligated to pay them even if they do not receive the bills. The Collector-Treasurer cannot abate interest on the bills nor can the Board. However, the complainant wishes to discuss this with the Board. Garron asked if Seelig could speak with the resident seeing as the Board will be stating the same thing he does.

Concession Stand Lease Agreement

The Halifax Youth Baseball group wants some changes made to the lease agreement before they sign in. Garron was not in favor of changing anything and Schleiff said that this is a trial period and we want to see how it goes. He added that the lease can be reviewed and the changes be considered next year when the lease is renewed.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Schleiff, the Board voted to accept the contract as written and if Halifax Youth Baseball is not willing to sign it then the organization will no longer be able to use the concession stand.

Roy did not take part in this discussion as she was over at the other table talking with the Finance Committee.

APPROVED WARRANT

Moved by Garron and seconded by Schleiff, the Board approved payment of the following warrant:

Vendor Warrant	# 95	\$ 30,709.60
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There being no further business, moved by Garron and seconded by Schleiff, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. to attend the Annual Town Meeting.

At 9:50 p.m. the Board had a brief discussion and the following motion was made:

Moved by Roy and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously motioned to send a letter to the Board of Assessor requesting them to release an additional \$47,000 in overlay surplus.

Michael J. Schleiff
Clerk

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