

Approved

Town of New Boston Selectmen's Meeting January 6, 2014

PRESENT: Rodney Towne Selectman
 Dwight Lovejoy Selectman
 Christine Quirk Selectman
 Peter Flynn Town Administrator

Police Chief James Brace of the public was present.

A. CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Christine Quirk at 6:00M beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda-The Selectmen signed the consent agenda. Rodney moved to approve the consent agenda. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

Item 1: PUBLIC HEARING-Consideration of acceptance of Pulpit Road as an official town road: Peter noted this was advertised in the Goffstown News and posted as required. The Planning Board submitted this road for acceptance in their memorandum dated November 27, 2013. Rodney moved to accept Pulpit Road as a town road with the appropriate tax and lot numbers (Tax map/lot #12/65). Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

B. PUBLIC FORUM:
None.

C. APPOINTMENTS:

Item 2: David Elliott-Discussion re: Planning Board member: Dave requested to meet with the Selectmen but is not present.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

Item 3: Adoption of the Public Minutes of December 16, 2013: The Selectmen reviewed the public minutes of the December 16, 2013 meeting. Dwight moved that the minutes be accepted as presented. Rodney seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

Item 4: Request for Approval of Encumbered Funds: A memorandum dated December 30, 2013 was reviewed. Items numbered 1-3 do not need to be encumbered. Item #4 is for \$3,700 in the budget to be encumbered for town building improvements. Rodney moved to encumber \$3,700 from the 2013 Government Buildings account. Dwight seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

E. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 5: Review of Selectmen/Finance Committee Meeting of January 4: A printout of the budget corrections discussed at the January 4 meeting was distributed.

Item 6: Appointment and Discussion with Police Chief James Brace re: Video Cameras: This request for a last minute Warrant Article originated after a Department Manager meeting when the fund balance was discussed and Department Managers were asked to propose small needs that could be paid with unreserved funds, Jim considered these security cameras for the police cruisers when he began tax preparation for 2014 but did not act on it but when he heard of the possibility of no tax impact he thought it was a good time to bring it forward. He originally sent his request to the Town Administrator but it was inadvertently missed by the Town Administrator. These cameras were also discussed in the spring with Emergency Management Coordinator Dan MacDonald and Fire Inspector Russ Boland and felt to be a good idea. The benefits of the cameras were discussed including protection of townspeople, officer safety and training and use in court and as evidence. Two quotes were reviewed. One for \$30,000 and another for comparable or better services and equipment for \$18,000. Jim met with this vendor for a demonstration and found it to be what he was looking for.

Rodney noted he is not in favor of this Warrant Article as it was not brought forward in a timely manner and he is not in support of this type of use of unspent funds as the Planning Department was not allowed to bring a similar cost Warrant Article forward. However, Rodney asked that the new cruiser include security cameras. Cameras were in New Boston cruisers in the past but became outdated. The Finance Committee voted to approve this Warrant Article. Christine sees benefits. Dwight suggested waiting until the end of next year to consider this. Chief Brace then withdrew the request.

Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II-Personnel: Rodney made a motion to go into Non-Public session per RSA 91-A:3II at 6:40 PM. Dwight seconded the motion. A poll vote was taken with R. Towne-yes, Christine Quirk-yes and Dwight Lovejoy-yes. The Board then entered non-public session.

Move to exit Non-Public Session: Rodney Towne made a motion to exit Non-Public Session at 7:00 PM. With Dwight Lovejoy seconding the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

Rodney Towne moved to seal the minutes for 5 years, seconded by Christine Quirk. All voted in the affirmative 3-0.

F. OTHER BUSINESS:

Item 7: Town Administrator's Report:

1. **Rose Meadow/HUD Suit**- Case referred to LGC Property Liability Trust for legal review and representation. Response provided by Atty. Andrew Livernois who is representing the Insurance Carrier for the Town.

Update – Atty. Livernois will be part of the Non Public on Sept. 3 per his Request
Attorneys continue to attempt to work things out.

More questions from HUD requested this past week.
Update-Nov. 14th-
Settlement is being discussed per recommendation of HUD

Ongoing

2. **Finance Committee:**
Committee met with the Selectmen on January 4 to finalize the budget.
3. **Job posting and Recruitment-ZBA Clerk**-Job posted in Town Buildings and departments. Job description created.
4. **Riverdale Road Bridge-Dred issue**-Peter, Dick and Rep. Woodbury met with Office of Energy Planning representatives in Concord on Tuesday, December 10th. The meeting was very encouraging and the State will be working with us as advocates to provide the necessary documents required to help the town's case in drafting a legislative language that could add onto a bill submitted by the City of Concord...
Meeting scheduled at DRED on January 9th

Item 8: Selectmen's Reports: None

Public Forum: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Dwight Lovejoy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM.
Seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

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