

**New Durham Board of Selectmen  
Public/Nonpublic Meeting Minutes  
Town Hall  
Monday, March 2, 2015**

**Present:** David Swenson, Terry Jarvis, David Bickford, Jeremy Bourgeois-Town Administrator

**Also present at non-concurrent times:** Road Agent Mike Clarke, Police Chief Shawn Bernier, Solid Waste Facility Foreman Joe Bloskey, Equipment Mechanic David Valladares, and Treasurer Candidates (4)

**Public Session**

Chair Swenson called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M.

The Board discussed election coverage for the March 10, 2015 Town Election. Chair Swenson stated he could be there from 8 A.M. to early afternoon or all day if needed. Selectman Jarvis stated she could be there from 8-12 then come back for 3-7. Selectman Bickford committed to being there from 12 to 4.

**Chair Swenson made a motion to go into non-public session, pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 II (c)- matter which, if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant & (d)- consideration or the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which if discussed in public would likely benefit a person or parties who interests are adverse to those of the general community. Selectman Jarvis seconded the motion. Roll Call: Selectman Jarvis – Aye; Selectman Bickford- No; Chair Swenson- Aye.**

The Board of Selectmen entered nonpublic session at 10:10 A.M.

**Nonpublic Session**

Road Agent Mike Clarke joined the meeting at 10:10 A.M. to discuss his performance evaluation. He left the meeting at 11:02 A.M.

Solid Waste Facility Foreman Joe Bloskey joined the meeting at 11:06 A.M. to discuss his performance evaluation. He left the meeting at 12:06 P.M.

Equipment Mechanic David Valladares joined the meeting at 12:15 P.M. to discuss his performance evaluation. He left the meeting at 1:13 P.M.

Police Chief Shawn Bernier joined the meeting at 1:22 P.M. to discuss his performance evaluation. He left the meeting at 2:10 P.M.

**Selectman Jarvis made a motion to leave nonpublic session. Selectman Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

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The Board left nonpublic session at 2:26 P.M.

**Public Session**

There was a short discussion regarding speed limits. Chair Swenson stated that while in nonpublic the Board of Selectmen met with Department Heads to review their performance evaluations.

**Selectman Bickford made a motion to recess. Selectman Jarvis seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

Meeting recessed at 2:34 P.M.

**Public Session**

The Board resumed their meeting at 6:00 P.M.

**Chair Swenson made a motion to go into non-public session, pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 II (b)- the hiring of a person as a public employee. Selectman Jarvis seconded the motion. Roll Call: Selectman Jarvis – Aye; Selectman Bickford- Aye; Chair Swenson- Aye.**

The Board entered nonpublic session at 6:02 P.M.

**Nonpublic Session**

Candidate #1 entered at 6:05 P.M. to interview for the Treasurer position. They left the meeting at 6:30.

Candidate #2 entered at 6:33 P.M. to interview for the Treasurer position. They left the meeting at 6:53.

Candidate #3 entered at 6:55 P.M. to interview for the Treasurer position. They left the meeting at 7:18.

Candidate #4 entered at 7:28 P.M. to interview for the Treasurer position. They left the meeting at 7:50.

**Selectman Jarvis made a motion to leave nonpublic session. Selectman Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

The Board left nonpublic session at 7:57 P.M.

**Public Session**

**Selectman Jarvis made a motion to offer the stipend Treasurer position to Heidi Duford at the rate of \$2,731 per year, pending successful completion of background, motor vehicle, reference, and financial checks after accepting the conditional offer. Selectman Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

**Selectman Jarvis made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

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Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeremy *Bourgeois*, *Town Administrator*