

The Chair, Lloyd Sullivan at 7:00pm called the regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting to order. Those present included Jack Steiner (Selectman) and Russell McAllister (Town Administrator). Jenifer Landman was on excused absence due to business travel.

### **Questions & Comments**

The Chair opened the meeting by noting that the Town had received funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which went to reimburse costs associated with the March Nor'easter. The TA mentioned that Fire Chief Tom Lambert was responsible for submitting the necessary paperwork, and that the department heads did an excellent job of tracking and recording costs during the storm. The Chair solicited comments from those in attendance.

Mr. Peter Simmons commented on his concern about Mr. Jack Steiner sitting on the Board of Selectmen when his place of residency was outside of North Hampton. Mr. Simmons wanted to know how Mr. Steiner could still draw a paycheck from the Town as a Selectmen when he was not a resident. Mr. Simmons wanted the Board to set a time certain for Mr. Steiner's residency or his resignation. Mr. Sullivan replied that no date was set at this time and none would be set at the present meeting. Mr. Sullivan noted that he had just received a legal opinion on the issue and Mr. Simmons was free to see it if he wished. The Board of Selectmen would address the issue at a meeting in August.

### **Selectmen Issues**

#### *Review and Disposition of Abatement Applications*

The Board reviewed the abatement applications and the Town Assessor's recommendations regarding the applications. It was noted that Ms. Landman had reviewed the applications and had agreed with the assessor's recommendations. Mr. Steiner made the motion to accept the recommendations of the assessor (Howard Promer) regarding the disposition of the applications. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

#### *Henry Mixer, Conservation Commission Chairman*

#### *NRCS Grant Application for Bass Beach Restoration Project*

Mr. Mixer addressed the Board regarding the opportunity to apply for a NRCS grant similar to the Little River Salt Marsh project. The NRCS grant application would be used to restore the Bass Beach Salt Marsh. Mr. Alan Ammond, biologist from the NRCS, explained that the amount of the grant was \$200,000 and that the Town would have to provide a 25% match (\$50,000 in-kind) for the project. Mr. Steiner made the motion to approve the submission of the NRCS application. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

### **Administration/Business**

Mr. Steiner made the motion to accept the regular minutes of June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

The selectmen reviewed correspondence and/or signed:

- a. Minutes - June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001
- b. Payroll
- c. Manifest
- d. NHF - Appointed Official (Tim Harned) signature required
- e. Abatements - (Ivan Milton / Edith Gohlke) did not receive veterans exemption
- f. Intent to Cut - Joanne Martin / Evergreen Drive - John Brown & Sons (Logger)
- g. Cemetery Deeds - David Hill Sandra Sheridan
- h. Conservation Easement - W/S North Hampton (FOC)
- i. Driveway Permit - Wetlands Permit Application

- j. Executive Councilor Newsletter
- k. Local 3211 - Intent to negotiate
- l.** [Motion to expend \\$17,496 from Accrued Benefits trust fund to cover retirement costs for Jim Colcord & Jody Nordstrom.](#)

The TA asked the Board for a motion to withdraw \$17,496 from the Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust to cover the retirement costs for Jim Colcord and Jody Nordstrom. Mr. Steiner made the motion to withdraw \$17,496 from the above account to pay the retirement costs of Mr. Colcord and Ms. Nordstrom. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

**m.** [Community Newsletter Status](#)

The TA briefed the Board on the status of the community newsletter. He noted that the Friends of the Library would be the recipients of the money as it made the accounting easier. The Friends would then be responsible for payment of the independent contractor who did the design and layout as well as the mailing and printing costs.

**[Adjournment](#)**

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting Mr. Steiner made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45pm.

Respectfully,

Russell McAllister  
Town Administrator