

Board of Selectmen
Minutes of 09/25/06
Approved 10/10/06

I. Call to Order

Chair Emily Creighton called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. There were also present Mr. Donald Gould, Selectman, Mr. Henry Marsh, Selectman and Michael Pardue, Town Administrator. Mr. Pardue served as the Recording Secretary for this session.

II. Selectmen Items

A. Introduction of Police Officer Steven Janvrin

Chief of Police Brian Page introduced newly hired police officer Steven Janvrin to the Board. Chief Page provided an overview of Officer Janvrin's personal and professional background. The Board and Town Administrator Pardue welcomed Mr. Janvrin and wished him the best as he begins his employment with the Town.

B. Recycling Center Operational Costs

Then Board read a memo from Road Agent Strout concerning his opinion as to the pros and cons of closing the recycling center.

Mr. Pardue advised the Board that he had been in contact with the Town of Rye Town Administrator, asking if Rye would consider accepting recyclables from North Hampton residents should the North Hampton center close. He advised that the topic would be considered by the Rye Board of Selectmen at an upcoming meeting.

Road Agent Strout advised the Board that he had been in contact with a representative of Waste Management to determine if said company would provide curbside recyclables pick-up at the Town's mobile home parks, a process that is not currently provided. Mr. Strout also said that he has asked Waste Management if they could provide a "cardboard specific" dumpster at the recycling center, should the staffing of the center be discontinued. Mr. Strout stated that he awaiting a return call from Waste Management regarding both subject matters.

Mr. Gould stated that he believes it best to delay acting on whether or not to close the recycling Center until such time the Town of Rye and Waste Management have responded back to Town officials.

Mr. Marsh stated that he has concerns about closing the Center and impacting peoples employment, especially as we near the holiday season. He suggested this topic be discussed in greater detail during the 2007-2008 budget development process.

Ms. Creighton stated that she is ambivalent to closing the Center and that the Town needs to use strategic management in the running of the Center.

Mr. Gould stated that the Center is a money loser, having lost approximately \$31,000 last year. He further referenced that this promises to be a very tight budget year due to all the legal fees the Town is being forced to spend at this time.

Motion / Vote: Mr. Marsh made a motion to table this issue, placing it on hold until a future time. Mr. Gould seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

C. Generator Project Discussion

The Board was updated on the progress of the generator project by Mr. Stout. Mr. Strout advised that the wiring of the unit was occurring at this time and that the “hook-up” is planned for 9/30/06.

D. Old Town Hall Update – Mr. Marsh

Mr. Marsh stated that he awaiting Code Officer Mabey to call a meeting of the Committee members. Mr. Pardue cited that Mr. Mabey is currently working diligently on the generator project and that he, Pardue, would take the lead on calling the committee members together for a meeting.

E. C.A.T.V. Update – Mr. Marsh

Mr. Marsh advised that the C.A.T.V. Committee is scheduled to meet on October 12, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mary Herbert Room.

F. N.I.M.S. Training

Mr. Pardue advised the Board that the deadline for this training effort is November 3rd and that Fire Chief Lambert is working to secure an instructor for this training.

G. Winnacunnet High School Students

Mr. Pardue introduced to the Board students from Winnacunnet High School, some of which are working on the “Can Do Sidewalk Kids” project. The students spoke of their efforts and approach to raising funds for the Town’s portion of said project.

H. Questions & Comments on Above Topics

None.

III. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (d,e)

Motion / Vote: Mr. Marsh made a motion to temporarily adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. for the purpose of entering into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A:3 II (d, e) to discuss the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property and a legal matter. Mr. Gould seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Motion / Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to reconvene the public portion of the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Motion / Vote: Ms. Creighton made a motion to have the two Special Town Meeting warrant articles appear, both at the Deliberative Session and on the ballot, in the order of: Aquarion Water Company Acquisition shown first and 57 Woodland Rd. shown second. Mr. Gould seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0

IV. Administration / Business

A. Town Administrator's Report

Mr. Pardue advised the Board of the following:

- "Stop bars" have been painted throughout the Town
- All highway department vehicles have successfully passed inspection
- Road shoulders along Mill Rd. have been repaired
- Fire engine #3 failed inspection and is need of new tires. Also, this engine has "split rims" and may require new rims due to issues related to "split rims"
- Police personnel arrested a Fugitive From Justice wanted for murder
- \$1,722.77 granted to the Town for Rt. 1 police patrol efforts
- "Car 54" equipment installed and operational with a demonstration planned for the Board at an upcoming meeting
- PD Sgts. Exam went very well – selection due in early October

B. Correspondence

Mr. Pardue presented the Board with a letter submitted by the Library Trustees requesting the Town pay a larger portion of the costs associated with the production and distribution of the Community Newsletter. The proposal asks the Board to consider increasing its contribution level by \$3,450.02 or 61% of the costs.

The Board discussed this request in detail. Mr. Gould expressed his opinion that the request seems reasonable as the Town uses much space in the newsletter. Mr. Gould

and Mr. Marsh both stated that they believe it best that the proposed increase be addressed during the 2007-2008 budget development to allow for the increased funding. Mr. Marsh suggested that this matter be revisited in January, in the event the Town can afford to assume the added costs sooner than in July 2007.

The Board reached consensus to consider the funding request in the 2007-2008 budget process and, to include this topic on one of their January 2007 agendas.

Mr. Pardue reminded the Board of a letter they each received from Mr. Joseph Fitzgerald asking to be on a Board agenda. Mr. Pardue also provided the Board with a letter written by Planning Board Chairman Wilson to Code Officer Mabey regarding the matter of concern Mr. Fitzgerald wishes to discuss with the Board. The Board, after reviewing Mr. Wilson's request of Mr. Mabey, and after learning that Mr. Mabey and the Town engineer have viewed the site and rendered an opinion as to "being in compliance with the approved plan", delayed further action on this matter at this time.

C. Approval of Minutes

Motion/Vote: Mr. Marsh made a motion to approve the non public (first) session meeting minutes of September 11, 2006 as written. Mr. Gould seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

Motion/Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to approve the non- public (second) session meeting minutes of September 11, 2006 as written. Ms. Creighton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 2-0. (Mr. Marsh abstained from voting on this motion as he was not able to be present during the meeting session these minutes reference).

Motion/Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to approve the public session meeting minutes of September 11, 2006 as written. Ms. Creighton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 2-0. (Mr. Marsh abstained from voting on this motion as he was not able to be present during the meeting session these minutes reference).

V. Adjournment

Being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Gould made a motion to adjourn at 9:12 p.m. Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Pardue
Town Administrator