

Board of Selectmen

Minutes of August 27, 2007

Approved: September 24, 2007

## I. Call to Order

Chair Creighton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Selectman Gould, Interim Town Administrator Philip Munck and members of the public. Mr. Munck served as the Recording Secretary for this session.

## II. Selectmen Items

- a. Heating Oil Bids. Bids for #2 heating oil and K-1 kerosene from Hometown Oil and Lamprey Brothers for 2007-2008 were opened and read.

**Moved by Mr. Gould, seconded by Ms. Creighton that bid of Home Town Oil at \$2.29 per gallon for #2 fuel oil and \$2.35 for K-1 kerosene be accepted. Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. Highway Facility Construction Bids. Building Inspector Richard Mabey presented the evaluation by Engineer Ed Kelley, Highway Agent Robert Strout and himself for the design build of the new highway facility. The evaluation team recommended that the Town accept the low bid of \$594,880 from Infinity Constructors, Inc., of Raymond, NH.

**Moved by Mr. Gould, seconded by Ms. Creighton that the Town accept the bid of Infinity Contractors and that Ms. Creighton be authorized to execute a contract between Infinity and the Town as provided in the Infinity response to the Town's Request for Proposals. Motion carried unanimously.**

- c. Joint Meeting with Conservation Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Board took up a request of the Conservation Commission that the Board of Selectmen host and mediate a meeting between the Conservation Commission and the Zoning Board of Adjustment to discuss concerns raised by the Commission about decisions of the ZBA and the ZBA's process for informing the Commission and reviewing their comments.

Chair Creighton said that she was presenting the request on behalf of the Commission as the Board of Selectmen's representative to the Commission. She expressed her views about the desirability of such a meeting. Mr. Gould expressed his reasons for opposing the Board of Selectmen's participation in such a meeting.

Comments on the request were made by Conservation Commission Chairman Chris Ganotis, Planning Board Chairman Phillip Wilson, Zoning Board of Adjustment Chairman John Anthony Simmons and Planning Board Member Joseph Arena.

**Moved by Ms. Creighton that the Board of Selectmen provide a neutral forum for the ZBA and Conservation Commission can get together with the Board of Selectmen to facilitate/mediate the discussion. Motion was not seconded.**

**Moved by Mr. Gould, seconded by Ms. Creighton that the Board of Selectmen strongly encourages the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Conservation Commission meet in whatever forum they deem appropriate to resolve their differences. Motion carried unanimously.**

d. Request for Traffic Light at Hobbs Road and Atlantic Avenue. Mr. Gould brought up the traffic problems caused by poor sight distance and speeding drivers on Hobbs Road at the intersection with Atlantic Avenue. A town resident has requested a traffic light there. Chief Brian Page said that any traffic control devices, lights or signs, are subject to approval by the N.H. Department of Transportation since they are both state roads. TAC Representative Robert Landman said that he would ask the DOT for more information about improvements to the intersection but that he believed that there is little likelihood of any funds being available for such work given the current funding level for the State Transportation Fund.

Mr. Landman also discussed the situation at the intersection of Hobbs Road and Lafayette Road and the status of intersection improvements at the intersection of Lafayette and Atlantic Ave.

e. Discussions of a Noise Ordinance and of Lane Change Marking at Rte. 1 and Atlantic were postponed until the next meeting.

f. Recycling Committee Report. Recycling Committee Chairman Alan Bucklin told the Board about a recent meeting of the Committee at which it was decided to determine how the Town would feel about having a place to bring solid waste with mandatory, on-site separation of recyclable materials. He said the Committee asked to have the Board consider placing an advisory article on the subject in the 2008 Town Meeting Warrant. At the request of Mr. Gould, Mr. Buckland said that the Committee would be supplying some quantitative data on the benefits of such an arrangement.

### **III. Administration/Business**

a. Mr. Munck told the Board that the Police Organizational Study RFP was nearly ready for release. Mr. Gould gave some corrections to the draft study. The Board agreed that the RFP can be released subject to correcting typographical items.

b. The Board decided to defer action on outstanding draft minutes until Mr. Salomon's return.

c.

### **IV. Non-Public Session**

**Moved by Mr. Gould, seconded by Ms. Creighton to go into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A to discuss matters concerning**

**recruitment of a permanent Town Administrator. Roll Call: Yeas: All, Nays: None. Mr. Munck was present. No decisions were made. Moved by Mr. Gould, seconded to leave non-public session. Motion carried unanimously.**

**V. Adjournment**

**At 9:50 p.m., moved by Mr. Gould, seconded by Ms. Creighton to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Munck  
Interim Town Administrator