



Town of Plaistow ♦ Board of Selectmen
145 Main Street ♦ Plaistow ♦ NH ♦ 03865

PLAISTOW BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES:

DATE: Monday, December 8, 2008

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:31 pm

SELECTMEN PRESENT:

Chairman, John Sherman
Vice Chairman, Daniel Poliquin
Selectman, Charles Blinn – arrived 6:32 pm
Selectman, Lawrence Gil
Selectman, Robert Gray
Sean Fitzgerald – Town Manager

MINUTES:

J. Sherman notes that the approval of Minutes from December 1, 2008 will be postponed until later on in the meeting.

AGENDA:

Wolf Pack

Den 5 is here to ask the Board of Selectmen questions in order for them to earn a merit badge.

The attendees of Den 5 are: Vincent Delsignore, William Griffith, Cooper Howson, Shane Johnson, Robert Morin, Ryan Murray and Glen SanSoucie.

J. Sherman welcomes Wolf Pack 118 Den 5 and asks them to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Howson leads everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The group from Den 5 asks the Board of Selectmen the following questions in order to receive their merit badge:

Den 5: How many Selectmen are there?

J. Sherman indicates 5 but mentions that there use to be 3.

Den 5: What do you talk about in the meetings?

J. Sherman notes budgets, planning on how much money we are going to spend next year and items such as plowing roads to help get children to school.

Den 5: How often do you meet?

J. Sherman indicates every Monday night.

Den 5: Why did you choose to become a selectman?

R. Gray indicated that he had been involved with the Town since 1993 on the Planning Board and other various boards and notes he became a Selectmen in 2000 to improve the Town.

D. Poliquin notes that he grew up in Plaistow and it seemed like the thing to do to help the Town to be a good place to live.

J. Sherman indicates he ran because he wanted to serve the Town and notes his Dad was on the Budget Committee and his Mom was the Tax Collector and he joined to make the Town a better place.

C. Blinn notes he was brought up in Plaistow and has been involved in the Town for 23 years to make the Town a better place to live.

L. Gil notes it is because he gets to meet kids like them and notes it is a pleasure to see kids like these and is proud to be able to talk to them.

Den 5: Is this volunteer, do you get elected or do you get paid?

J. Sherman indicates yes we are elected and we get paid \$1000 a year.

Den 5: Do you create laws or regulations for the Town?

R. Gray indicates no they don't, the Selectmen propose them and the people decide what get passed and the Selectmen suggest to the people what should be voted on.

J. Sherman notes that the Selectmen enforce them.

Den 5: What has been the toughest decision and when you disagree how do you show respect?

J. Sherman notes he thinks they are really good at that and notes they don't yell at each other, they listen to what others have to say and if they disagree they tell them why. The toughest decisions are always about spending money and spending it in an intelligent way. He notes they get along pretty well. He also notes there are presently five men however there can be women on the board as well.

The Cub Scouts thank the Board of Selectmen for letting them come here tonight.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dan Bush is here to discuss the passing of Lori Schactman, Cable Studio Committee Member.

D. Bush approaches podium and discusses that he is here under unfortunate circumstances due to the passing of the co-chairperson of the Cable Committee, Loretta Schactman. He notes that she had been on the committee for two years and was relentless in making the studio equipment possible. She never gave up on the cause and she was an inspiration to all. He discusses how he looked to her for thumbs up or thumbs down regarding his cable show. He thanks the Selectmen for letting her serve as Chairperson in the Town.

J. Sherman notes there is a notice in tonight's Eagle Tribune and asks for moment of silence in Lori's memory.

C. Blinn sheds a few words regarding the passing of Lori and notes that he did not know her very well however, she was relentless in getting things done, she was unbelievable, she worked many years in the Town and she gave of herself even when she was sick. He notes her biggest dream was to have cable in Town be the best it could be. She was very dedicated, always sick however she never showed it, it did not defer her from her job and he notes it is a sad day to say goodbye and notes she will be sadly missed.

J. Sherman agrees with C. Blinn.

AGENDA:

J. Sherman notes there are two Non Public meetings which are back to back and he notes the Board will return to Public session around 7:30 pm.

Motion by R. Gray to go into Non Public under RSA 91-A: 3, II (e) for matters of negotiation.

2nd by D. Poliquin.

All Selectmen polled:

J. Sherman = yes

D. Poliquin = yes

C. Blinn = yes

L. Gil = yes

R. Gray = yes

Board goes into Non Public at 6:51pm for:

Ambulance Contract – Chief McArdle & Jon Lovett

Non Public RSA 91-A: 3, II (e) Consideration of lawsuits threatened in writing or filed against the body or one of its members.

Board leaves above Non Public at 7:39 pm.

Board goes into Non Public at 7:40 pm for:

Wil Corcoran & Mark Lutter

Non Public RSA 91-A: 3, II (e) Consideration of lawsuits threatened in writing or filed against the body or one of its members.

Board leaves Non Public at 8:24 pm.

Board begins Public session at 8:25 pm.

AGENDA:

Beede Tax Lien

S. Fitzgerald discusses the outstanding tax lien on the Beede Waste Site and notes that the tax map cards have been pulled on both properties and supplies the Board with paperwork for reviewing. He discusses taxes and interest for 2008 on Map 31-40 for 42 Old County Road and taxes and interest for 2008 on Map 31-47 for 11 Kelley Road. He discusses the Superfund Site and notes he spoke to the Rep from the EPA and discusses work which is to begin with the remediation at this site.

J. Sherman questions if they can start remediation without changing the ownership of the property. His understanding is that in order for the clean up to take place, ownership of the property has to be resolved and in order for ownership to change hands, back taxes need to be paid.

R. Gray has a concern now that this has been settled in the courts. He notes the owner of the property is going to be willing to sign away the property because he isn't going to want anything to do with this and mentions that in order for him to do such the liens need to be cleared.

S. Fitzgerald notes he is willing to represent the Selectmen regarding this issue and discusses identifying all parties, testing to be done over the next six months, the fact finding and he notes he will have further information after Thursday's meeting.

R. Gray discusses removal of soil, off site location and cleaning of soil or bringing in replacement soil and wants to see a plan and know how many trucks will be used.

L. Gil discusses amount of truck traffic to be coming out of that location and notes he talked to the EPA regarding this previously.

S. Fitzgerald discusses critical path of the trucking and coordination of the plan. He discusses the Supersite/Brown field being turned back into a green field.

R. Gray discusses the part of the 62 million dollar cost which never included that tax lien and inquires as to where the money is coming from.

L. Gil discusses the possibility of one of the large primary parties buying the property because then they would have actual control of the clean up.

J. Sherman discusses the Record of Decision which identified how to use that property after the clean up and “guaranteed” that property would be cleaned to its highest level for residential use.

L. Gil discusses it being part of our strategy.

S. Fitzgerald notes he will have to do some research and get it down on paper.

J. Sherman discusses that this was contracted with special council and budgeting 2009 money for that kind of legal fees may need to be done. He doesn’t want to add any more money to the budget however we may have to do that to protect the interest of the Town. He notes the cleanup will be managed by the PRPs not the EPA. He discusses how we rely on the EPA to protect the Town’s interest and questions if we may need to hire someone to monitor this.

S. Fitzgerald notes that is the exact reason he has called the Thursday meeting to address these issues.

2009 Warrant Articles Overview

S. Fitzgerald discusses the packet of draft Warrant Articles that he has supplied to the Board. He discusses edits and comments for the packet and notes the Town Staff is reviewing and typing them up and working on the language for the Warrant Articles. He discusses the Operating Budget and notes he is working with the Finance Director and will have numbers tomorrow. He discusses the **Highway Equipment Reserve Fund** and notes the updated Capital Reserve Fund would help offset costly capital appropriations for the Highway Department. He notes the Highway Superintendent has looked at this and made modifications noting it is same as last year.

J. Sherman notes we will vote on these tonight and the vote tonight is to approve or not approve.

R. Gray inquires if it is to approve as a Warrant Article.

J. Sherman notes yes.

Motion by D. Poliquin to recommend Warrant Article B - Highway Equipment Reserve Fund.

2nd by C. Blinn.

R. Gray inquires if these are in the order that they will appear on the Warrant Article.

J. Sherman notes that that has not been decided yet.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman indicates to Sean that this is Article B on his copy and he will give numbers later.

S. Fitzgerald discusses **Article C** which is a request to raise and appropriate the money for the **Highway Department for a 6-wheel dump truck.**

Motion by L. Gil to recommend replacing the dump truck - Article C.

2nd by C. Blinn.

D. Poliquin discusses the Intent of the Article.

J. Sherman discusses the last sentence and notes that it can be deleted from the Intent.

C. Blinn notes basically the truck is already paid for and there will be no impact to Town's people.

J. Sherman notes to send Sean a note for wording to be added to the Intent line of this Article.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

Public Safety Complex Capital Reserve

S. Fitzgerald discusses the sum of \$50,000 to be established in the Capital Reserve for the Safety Complex and the existing facility having a number of deficiencies.

J. Sherman discusses the wording of this Article and inquires if it should be more specific regarding engineering costs.

S. Fitzgerald discusses the conversation he had with the Chief regarding studies, designs and the significant amount of work which has been done to date.

R. Gray notes the wording needs some help and makes suggestions. He also inquires if it should be noted somewhere in the Article that the Selectmen are agents to spend that money.

J. Sherman agrees and notes it should go somewhere in the Intent.

S. Fitzgerald notes he will discuss with Sumner.

L. Gil has a concern with the Intent and asks for clarification to be listed.

J. Sherman agrees.

S. Fitzgerald notes he will meet with the Chief tomorrow to better define the Article and the Intent.

D. Poliquin recommends that it should be listed as both the Police Department and the Fire Department.

J. Sherman agrees.

R. Gray notes he is in favor of this.

The Board Members discuss the Federal Government and the allocating of money to help with these costs.

Board discusses wording change for this Article.

Motion by L. Gil to recommend Warrant Article E - Public Safety Complex Capital Reserve for \$50,000.

2nd by R. Gray.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

Town Building System Article F – not to be added.

S. Fitzgerald discusses **Warrant Article I - Fire Suppression Water Line** in the amount of \$240,000.

J. Sherman notes you can get wording from the previous Warrant Article from last year.

R. Gray gets last year's Town Report and reads last year's wording for the Warrant Article and the Intent.

Motion by D. Poliquin to recommend Warrant Article I for \$240,000 with the changes noted based on previous Article from last year.

2nd by R. Gray.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

S. Fitzgerald discusses the **Cell Tower Maintenance and Decommission Reserve** to establish \$30,000 for maintenance of the water tower. He discusses the water tower which serves as an income generation asset for the Town and notes it will require maintenance.

C. Blinn inquires about the revenue for one year.

J. Sherman notes it is around \$100,000.

R. Gray notes in the Intent it should have wording regarding the Selectmen are agents for this money and to add to the Intent the revenue amount as well.

J. Sherman notes to add to the Intent the wording for life expectancy and 1 million dollars.

Motion by D. Poliquin to recommend Warrant Article L.

2nd by C. Blinn.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

S. Fitzgerald discusses **Warrant Article N - Playscape, Safe Surface and Shelter** for \$100,000 on the Old County Road field and notes this is being forwarded by the Rec Commission. He discusses the Intent from non profit and \$16,000.

R. Gray discusses the Intent portion and suggests eliminating the wording, “this would complete phase I” and notes that he did not know there was more than one phase in this project.

J. Sherman agrees and notes in the Intent it should include what the plan would be once the shelter is available noting we can move the Summer Rec Program over to Old County Road.

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article N.

2nd by C. Blinn.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman discusses the **Fire Department Capital Reserve - Warrant Article O** and notes it is the same Article that we have had in the past.

Motion by L. Gil to recommend Article O.

2nd by R. Gray.

R. Gray suggests changing the Intent to be like last years.

J. Sherman agrees.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman discusses **Snorkel Truck** which is **Article P**.

S. Fitzgerald discusses the apparatus being replaced.

J. Sherman recommends putting the balance in the Intent.

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article P.

2nd by L. Gil.

L. Gil discusses the notes that Sean has listed on these worksheets can be incorporated in the Intents and indicates that it has bearing and basically will help the voters make a reasonable choice. They basically describe the level of effort put into making this decision and effort by the Fire Department in research.

D. Poliquin inquires if we need to include in here wording like we did with the Highway Department, “for sale of existing vehicle”.

S. Fitzgerald noted that he asked the Finance Director if we need a Warrant Article to surplus a vehicle we have in Town and she is looking into that.

J. Sherman suggests to Sean to put in same format as Article C.

Vote 5-0-0.

Motion passes.

L. Gil leaves at 9:37 pm.

J. Sherman discusses the **Patrol Officer Position - Article R** and suggests looking at last year’s Warrant Article.

R. Gray looks at the Town Report for wording and reads.

Motion by D. Poliquin to recommend Article R.

2nd by C. Blinn.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman discusses the **Safety Complex Communication Capital Reserve - Article S.**

D. Poliquin suggests changing wording to “establishing a fund” because it doesn’t already exist.

J. Sherman agrees and discusses wording.

Motion by D. Poliquin to recommend Article S.

2nd by R. Gray.

J. Sherman notes this would be lower on his list of recommendations and notes not a whole list of analysis has been done on this.

R. Gray discusses tax rate.

J. Sherman notes he will vote in favor however he may easily change his mind on this one given its low priority.

D. Poliquin discusses not to vote in favor because you don’t replace the entire system, it usually is piece meal.

Board discusses repairs and needs.

Vote 1-3-0.

Nay D. Poliquin, R. Gray and J. Sherman

J. Sherman discusses why not recommending and notes to Sean that it does not need to go to the Budget Committee.

J. Sherman discusses **Town Clerk Salary** which is **Article T.**

S. Fitzgerald discusses that this has been reviewed by the Finance Department.

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article T.

2nd by D. Poliquin.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman discusses **Warrant Article U.**

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article U.

2nd by D. Poliquin.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman discusses **Medical Equipment Revolving Fund** which is **Warrant Article W**. He discusses this is to establish a revolving fund for the replacement of an emergency vehicle and medical equipment.

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article W.

2nd by C. Blinn.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman discusses **Article X** which is for the **Sale of the Snorkel Truck** and explains it is for taking the revenue and putting it into the existing Fire Department Capital Reserve.

R. Gray discusses the wording.

S. Fitzgerald discusses designated fund balance.

D. Poliquin discusses vote to allow selectmen to elect fund direction.

J. Sherman discusses old highway truck as an example.

D. Poliquin and J. Sherman discuss wording and suggest changing it.

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article X.

2nd by D. Poliquin.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

S. Fitzgerald discusses for clarification the highway equipment reserve fund wording.

Garden Road Bridge

S. Fitzgerald discusses the Warrant Article worked on by the Planning Staff to help coordinate Mangled Bridge Aid Program and notes figures have been reviewed by Town Staff.

R. Gray would like to see break down, what the cost is, what amount is to come from Department of Transportation and what amount is to come from the developer.

J. Sherman references paperwork in front of him regarding page four and he agrees with R. Gray.

D. Poliquin suggests to removing the amount indicated from the developer.

R. Gray agrees.

J. Sherman notes he is not in favor of this Warrant Article and suggests waiting one year.

R. Gray inquires if we will lose the Grant from the NH Department of Transportation.

Board suggests to Sean to find out more information about Grant.

J. Sherman discusses timing and notes we can't guarantee the \$90,000.

R. Gray does not want to shelf it completely and notes the bridge is going to have to be worked on eventually.

S. Fitzgerald notes he will contact NH Department of Transportation and work with them regarding this.

J. Sherman notes no motion by Board.

Board is not recommending this Warrant Article which is listed as Article A.

S. Fitzgerald discusses the Westville Road Widening Project which is a request to raise \$39,000 for the widening of Westville Road at the intersection of Route 125 and discusses the wording.

R. Gray notes in terms of the money he would like to make this Article contingent upon using the \$90,000 from the Impact Fees so the amount to taxes would be zero. He discusses using the \$15,000 from Home Depot which would bring it down to \$24,000. He discusses the offsite improvement which is already \$90,000.

J. Sherman questions R. Gray if he is talking about the amount from the previous discussion and inquires if he is suggesting making this two parts.

R. Gray indicates yes and discusses the breakdown of money and contingency.

Board holds discussion on the Intent regarding making this two parts contingent upon the \$90,000 and taking \$24,000 out of \$90,000 so impact is zero.

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article D.

2nd by D. Poliquin.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

J Sherman discusses the **Conservation Fund - Article M** and notes it is the same wording as last year.

Motion by D. Poliquin to recommend Article M.

2nd by R. Gray.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman discusses **Danville Road Sidewalk Match - Article Y.**

S. Fitzgerald discusses the project and the wording.

J. Sherman suggests negotiating with Cumberland Farms to help with these costs.

S. Fitzgerald notes he has been in contact with people at Cumberland Farms and that he will be sending them a letter regarding such as well as inviting them to the discussions on such.

R. Gray suggests waiting to get a response back from Cumberland Farms first before writing it into a Warrant Article.

J. Sherman agrees.

S. Fitzgerald notes they are looking for a letter from us and notes they see a mutual benefit.

Motion by R. Gray to recommend Article Y.

2nd by D. Poliquin.

J. Sherman notes in the Intent it should reference two different projects done together.

R. Gray discusses the larger plan which is to connect the Town's center with schools by sidewalks.

D. Poliquin indicates wording needs to read "along Greenough Road to Danville Road".

J. Sherman agrees.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

J. Sherman notes next **Articles** are **J** and **K** and are on hold because they are waiting for additional information on the cost and notes that it will be brought back to the board for review and they will have this information at the next meeting.

Board takes a break at 10:23 pm.

Board returns at 10:30.

2009 Budgets with Adjustments

S. Fitzgerald discusses the budgets and notes adjustments made to reflect the 3% cost of living adjustment, changes to CPI, every department has been reviewed and there have been a number of adjustments made to the formulas. He goes through each budget and gives Board details of changes. He discusses **Executive Offices** noting the adjustment, the number of contracts presented to Town for data processing which has gone up. He discusses GIS noting it is in there and discusses the staff meeting regarding GIS and the feedback he received from such.

J. Sherman asks about amount budgeted for GIS.

S. Fitzgerald discusses the break downs: \$1,300 for licenses, Maps on Line, People GIS \$11,300 and notes amount is dispersed in various departments. He discusses that Utilities are not in the budgets as of yet and discusses the standard increase is at 6% for electric and \$4.00 for gasoline for the evaluation of this budget.

J. Sherman inquires when he will have numbers for the Board for electric and gas.

S. Fitzgerald indicates next Monday. He discusses **Election, Registration, Vitals** and notes it is modified for salary adjustment. He discusses **Financial administration** noting it is modified slightly in terms of health care; **Planning and Zoning** have salary adjustments due to CPI; **General Government Building** has salary adjustment and gasoline adjustment; Cemeteries has no change; Town Insurance has no change; Advertising has no change; Cable Studio has salary change; Conflict of Interest has no change; Police Department has adjustment for savings of \$44 and already has the calculated 53 weeks; Ambulance has no change; Fire Department has a savings of \$483; Building Inspections has a \$1,885 increase due to salary adjustment; Emergency Management has a \$154 decrease attributed to mileage; Public Works Administration has an increase due to salary adjustment; Highway Department has no increase; Street Lighting has no increase; Solid Waste Disposal has no increase; Solid Waste Clean-Up has no increase; Health has \$1,259 salary adjustment; Animal Control has \$195 increase; Human Services has no increase; Welfare has no increase; Welfare Direct has no increase; Recreation has increase for salary adjustment; Library has no increase; Patriotic has no increase; Cultural has no increase; Debt has no increase and the total impact of CPI, uniformed mileage and carrying the gas at \$4.00 per gallon is \$64,771.

R. Gray notes the difference between 2008 approved and what we are recommending is 5 ½%. He questions how much it was when he factored in the 53 weeks.

S. Fitzgerald does not have that information off hand but notes he can have it for next week.

J. Sherman notes that for next week we need information regarding the following: GIS cost and what the justification for the costs would be for 2009; Electric cost consistently applied to appropriate budgets and explanation where it came from; Apply lower number for the gas per gallon uniformly across appropriate budgets and do some appropriate research on and give an explanation as to where it came from.

C. Blinn suggests \$3.00 a gallon for gasoline.

R. Gray suggests having research done.

S. Fitzgerald agrees to provide this information for next week.

J. Sherman inquires about the two adjustments that refer to the contract and what they were and why on Buildings and Executive. He inquires about the cost of Debt Service regarding the borrowing.

S. Fitzgerald noted that Bank North was contacted and they don't have jet service scheduled for us. He noted the Rep was unavailable at the time of his call however it will be provided soon.

J. Sherman inquires as to specifically what is the cost for the 53rd week and requests this information for next week's meeting.

R. Gray notes he is trying to figure out the cost for the 53rd week and inquires if it is the cost for the building for operating cost or just salary.

J. Sherman discusses the 53rd payroll for 2009 and notes the next action is to vote to approve.

***Motion by R. Gray to approve the Operating Budget in the amount of \$7, 477,976.
(Seven million four hundred seventy-seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-six dollars)***

2nd by C. Blinn.

Vote 4-0-0.

Motion passes.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT:

S. Fitzgerald discusses his Town Manager Report and notes that most is informational for tonight. He discusses the end of the fiscal year approaching and working with the Finance Department on estimated revenues and receipts. He notes the year end count goes 10 days into January and some receipts he will be monitoring closely. He discusses grants not being part of the annual budget; he notes his paperwork for the Board has been broken down for their viewing. He notes his concern for the slowing economy and discusses the fiscal stress. He notes he has told Town employees to make only necessary expenditures and to make sure there are available

funds. He has supplied the breakdown of salary for Board members to view and discusses them along with the rest of his supplied breakdown information to board members.

J. Sherman questions December revenue.

S. Fitzgerald discusses trend for last three years and shifting economy and discusses estimates.

J. Sherman would like estimated revenue for December listing.

S. Fitzgerald discusses Town Budget and what has been going on for the past week regarding the budget spreadsheet. He discusses the opportunity to pay down the debt on the Library and discusses the last payment and the savings.

J. Sherman notes he is in favor of making a final payment as soon as we can to be debt free

S. Fitzgerald noted he attended the Planning Board meeting on Wednesday regarding the presentation from Wal-Mart and notes it is a significant proposal in front of the community, bringing in a major Wal-Mart store to the community. He notes they discussed strategy, and discussed the valuable conversation, the dynamics involved, and the zoning amendments. He notes he invited the EPA to Town Hall on Thursday to discuss the Beede Supersite and extends the invitation to Board members. He notes the time has not been set yet however he is looking at 11 am though. He discusses busy and full week, on the job training however noting he is happy to be working with outstanding staff and the employees working for Town of Plaistow.

OTHER BUSINESS:

J. Sherman notes that they will postpone the review of minutes until next week

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS:

C. Blinn has nothing to report.

J. Sherman discussed the Budget Committee met last week and notes we are in sync with them as approved and under advisement. He notes we will be out of sync based upon tonight review of the Operating Budget and notes they came up with list of questions and he and Sean will provide answers at tomorrow's meeting. He discusses the first pass of Warrant Articles and suggests to Sean to be on line with Warrant Articles to project on wall and notes they have valuable input especially on the Intent. He discusses the Rec Commission meeting this Wednesday night, he discusses pending draft letter from assessor regarding cycled inspections and notes it is our policy that if it goes out on Town letter head then the Board needs to review it first. He notes he will share with all members. He shows a Pentucket Bank Calendar for 2009 and notes these are hard to come by.

D. Poliquin discusses the passing of Rosemarie Bayek's daughter and extends condolences to the family. He discusses the Regional Selectmen's Meeting and the ambulance services and notes CART was also there to do marketing.

R. Gray notes there was a meeting of the Town Report on last Monday. He notes he was not at the Planning Board meeting on Wednesday. Tomorrow at 5:30 pm there will be a Town Report meeting. Wal-Mart is trying to rezone a couple of properties on Main Street to commercial from residential and he discusses traffic along Main Street and that Wal-Mart wants to have a cut in on Main Street and notes the traffic will be difficult.

J. Sherman inquires if there were any discussion on what Wal-Mart is willing to do for the Town.

S. Fitzgerald notes no discussion just preliminary discussion and presentation of Wal-Mart's interest.

J. Sherman notes they can help fund the traffic study on Main Street.

R. Gray notes they probably may want to do that and discusses the expenditures on Route 28 in Salem, NH when they went in there. He discusses what it would bring to this Town noting regional impact to this Town and that there are a lot of things that are on our plate.

D. Poliquin discusses that this should be funneled through one person such as the Town Manager as opposed to individual Department Heads.

R. Gray notes Department Heads would want to bring to Town Manager their individual needs prior to the project.

S. Fitzgerald discusses his weekly Department Head meetings.

J. Sherman discussed properties that were being rezoned and he noted that the property owners were not there.

R. Gray suggests next few weeks to be Budget Agendas only and stay away from extra things so they can focus on Budget items only.

SIGNATURE FOLDER:

No discussion regarding Signature Folder.

Meeting adjourned at 11:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Audrey Michaud