

Town of Plaistow + Board of Selectmen

145 Main Street

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PLAISTOW BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES:

DATE: Monday, May 21, 2012

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:35 pm

SELECTMEN:

Chairman, Michelle Curran Selectman, Charles Blinn Selectman, Daniel Poliquin Vice Chairman, John Sherman Selectman, Robert Gray Town Manager, Sean Fitzgerald

AGENDA:

MINUTES:

Motion by R. Gray to approve the Minutes of May 7, 2012 with change to page 4. 2nd by D. Poliquin. Vote: 5-0-0 Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Roy Jeffrey discussed restoring plaque in Town Hall foyer and placing five service branch monuments on the Veterans Park.

INTRODUCTION OF POLICE OFFICER CANDIDATE MIGUEL CRUZ - CHIEF SAVAGE

S. Savage introduced Miguel Cruz. Miguel has been an On Call Interpreter for Police Department for a couple of years, his wife, Christina, works for the Police Department as a Part Time Dispatcher and they have two sons, Jacob and Joseph.

M. Cruz discussed his background: grew up in Lawrence and is the oldest of 6 siblings.

Board welcomed Miguel.

Maryellen Pelletier presented Miguel with an Oath of Office.

M. Cruz read and signed his Oath of Office.

<u>PROVISIONS OF WATER TO BEEDE CUSTOMERS - PENNICHUCK - JOHN BOISVERT</u> <u>AND DON WARE, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER</u>

S. Fitzgerald introduced John Boisvert and Don Ware from Pennichuck.

D. Ware discussed Pennichuck Water Works Service Area Expansion Presentation; who Pennichuck Water Works is; rates charged; process in which they can extend water mains; who Pennichuck serves; and Pennichuck's resources. J. Boisvert discussed Twin Ridge Rolling Hills customers; Sweet Hill (30) customers; 74 customers from Valley Field; history of Twin Ridge and Rolling Hills; water quality; current well project; franchise expansion; Beede's approach in 2010 for water supply; testing of new wells; existing wells; and franchise area addition.

J. Sherman inquired if the wells drilled were on property owners property.

J. Boisvert noted the wells closer to Rolling Hills was on an easement (Town owned property) and the existing wells and new well was on Twin Ridge property.

D. Ware discussed PUC process; meeting water quality; and expanding the franchise area.

S. Fitzgerald introduced Steven Roy from DES.

M. Curran and D. Ware discussed extending water mains and Kelly Road; new wells, existing wells; DES standards; sufficient water for the existing base; and permit application for 22 residents that require water assistance.

J. Boisvert discussed looking at design standards that they have to follow; historic use; determination process; collecting data on performance of water usage; additional tie ins; and metered units.

M. Curran and J. Boisvert discussed water now provided is meeting DES standards, is filtered for iron and manganese and it is considered second standard.

M. Curran was opposed to having residents charged for the water and it was a strong concern.

D. Ware noted the Public Utilities Commission does not allow not to charge for service. Someone has to pay the bills and PUC does not have the ability to force any one party to pay the bill.

R. Gray discussed Town not agreeing to allow Pennichuck to bill residents and inquired what Pennichuck would do.

D. Ware noted PUC would not approve agreement because residents would be receiving services and someone would have to be responsible for the water service received.

D. Poliquin was in favor of developing the infrastructure in Town however he did not see wells in the long range plan. The Town has no above ground water and water would need to be brought in from other municipalities. The current situation is the water effected by the Beede Waste site and he thought the people responsible for the polluting should be responsible for payment of services.

S. Fitzgerald discussed today's meeting with Dick Pease from NH DES regarding payment of water.

D. Ware referenced Barnstead well issue.

D. Poliquin and D. Ware discussed the ability of the new well and its capacity.

R. Gray felt if an approval was needed to go forward then he would like a legal opinion from Town Counsel.May 21, 2012 Page 2 of 6

M. Curran noted a fluctuation in the number of effected residents (22) noting it has gone up and down in the past.

D. Ware discussed John Boisvert working with DES so they could identify what the current wells could do and how many homes they could serve.

J. Sherman noted the Beede Group came to Pennichuck and the contract is with the Beede Group, he inquired as to what might be included in the contract and what commitment would there be for supply.

D. Ware discussed letter from DES indicating sufficient supply for the additional 22 residents.

J. Sherman and D. Ware discussed Pennichuck's responsibility for water quality.

M. Curran and D. Ware discussed options for well connection and disconnection.

S. Fitzgerald thanked both Don and John for helping the Town understand the water process. He inquired about Bryant Brook's water capacity.

J. Boisvert noted an analysis of Bryant Brook would be required to see how much water was in the basin.

J. Boisvert and S. Fitzgerald discussed mitigation and planning for infrastructure; Pennichuck not having those discussion with Beede; contamination; plume; public health issue; public water; point of use systems; common supply wells; draw downs; and influence of other wells

J. Boisvert and M. Curran discussed franchise; application for the 22 addressed; service area; water mains in front of purple areas on the map; capacity; concerns; and reviewing with DES before hooking the homes up.

J. Sherman and D. Ware discussed Pennichuck needing approval from the Town; Town not ready to give approval; concern for current plan; approving Pennichuck to be the franchisee in the area; Town not approving who would be paying for the water; and only commitment for future use of the property was for residential property and supplying clean water to those residential properties.

R. Gray and D. Ware discussed Beede Group under court order to supply water to those affected.

S. Roy noted he worked in the drinking water and ground water section of DES. He oversees permitting of wells and DES has approved the 22 existing properties.

REVIEW OF BOS GOALS

M. Curran discussed Sean giving a review of Plaistow First updates, a brief overview of his Goals and the Board reviewing and recommending five or so updates to the Goals.

S. Fitzgerald discussed Plaistow First updates.

J. Sherman suggested to sort by due date so they do not have to go through the entire list.

R. Gray suggested to have one copy instead of two. May 21, 2012

J. Sherman noted he would email Sean the most recent updated copy.

S. Fitzgerald discussed Town Hall parking concerns.

R. gray discussed <u>Goal 1</u> (Continue to coordinate the resolution for any outstanding issues on the Town Hall generator and make a recommendation regarding the possible replacement of the Safety Complex generator) and updates. He inquired if there was anything on the Goals that was 100% completed or were they all in some capacity as still requiring work.

S. Fitzgerald discussed:

- Dedication to Ruth Jenne *Goal 16* (Memorial for Ruth Jenne. Recommendation by August) was completed.
- A lot of work has been done on the MBTA project *Goal 12* (Work to help facilitate a Plaistow/MBTA station. Recommendation by August).
- A Noise Control Ordinance has been prepared and he could present to the Board *Goal 10* (Work with Town staff to propose a noise control ordinance).

J. Sherman noted he would like a copy of the Noise Control Ordinance.

M. Curran noted the Board could review and then decide whether to vote it in or not.

J. Sherman noted the August date was meant to be August 2011.

R. Gray noted a Goal to him has to be time bound. He understands they have Goals and they cannot get specific dates but Goals should be tangible and have an end date.

M. Curran suggested to review the list of Goals, make some higher prioritized Goals, and add dates to other Goals.

J. Sherman noted each Goal should have a date. He realized many were ongoing but a Goal in general should have a due date. When last reviewed they agreed that they all had a due date of August 2011.

M. Curran suggested to remove Goals 15 and 16.

S. Fitzgerald discussed Goal 13 - Filling open positions.

J. Sherman inquired if there were still open positions.

S. Fitzgerald noted there were.

J. Sherman suggested to change wording to list specific positions.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

S. Fitzgerald discussed:

- Meeting last week to look at ADA parking around Town Hall.
- Kevin Russell came to Town Hall to discuss recommendations in the Plan NH charette.
- Working on Safe Routes to School Grant.

- Met with NHDOT to discuss possible changes to Main Street (elimination to slip lane).
- Alex Vogt has contacted the Town in support of the service road.
- Conference call on May 17 with the Beede Superfund Team.
- Follow up discussion with Aaron Weston from Sewall regarding tax map updates and pursuing the tax maps being available on line.
- Planning Board met to review the Plan NH Report.
- Police Department's Fundraising canister for K9 Kraken to purchase a bullet proof safety vest.
- Town Report Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for June 13 at 5:30.
- Landfill is open.
- 8th Annual Vic Geary Meals on Wheels Benefit Yard Sale was held on Saturday, May 19th.
- Memorial Day events are going strong.
- Cumberland Farms is closed for approximately 16 days.
- Regional Selectmen meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 24.

OTHER BUSINESS

M. Curran reminder all the Rec fields are open and the roads surrounding the area are being travelled more than usual. Pedestrian traffic along with vehicle traffic has increased.

SIGNATURE FOLDER

M. Curran noted the Signature Folder and Manifest were going around.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

J. Sherman:

- Budget Committee does not meet this time of year.
- Town Report Advisory Committee is going to meet June 13.
- Plaistow First has not met. They are going to contact the Board of Selectmen to find out when they can get on the Board's Agenda.
- Apologized for possibly not being available on Memorial Day. He likes marching in the Memorial Day Parade however he is going away and may not make it back in time.

R. Gray:

- Received email from Bob Carolan regarding the Historical Society looking for a Selectmen liaison. from the Board of Selectmen
- Not able to attend Memorial Day Parade due to work schedule.
- Attending Regional Selectmen meeting on Thursday night.
- Planning Board met last Wednesday:
 - 1) There is a Purchase and Sale of 148 Main Street and the owner is interested in working with Town and Pollard School to use the land for agriculture activities.
 - 2) They held a lengthy discussion on the Main Street Traffic Calming and Plan NH.

C. Blinn attended Conservation Committee meeting. They discussed the invoices from Arbor Day and the Forestry Plan.

D. Poliquin attended Highway Safety Committee meeting. Dave Walker from RPC attended. A presentation of the Traffic Calming Study was done along with an overview of the Plan NH review

so Dave could give his input. Dave advised the Committee of some funding sources. They discussed meeting with DOT for restructuring of Main Street specifically the slip lane.

Board members discussed slip lane.

D. Poliquin noted the Committee also discussed signage for Main Street, radars for Main Street, No Thru trucking and/or weight limit areas, and parking in front of Town Hall - spaces too narrow, handicap parking and curbing is too high.

M. Curran:

- Attended Family Mediation meeting. They held an election meeting. Members of the board elected their board of directors. One resignation was received and they will be seeking to fill that position. They discussed other fundraising opportunities to help keep support from surrounding towns.
- Participated in dance at Knights of Columbus for 5th, 6th and 7th graders which was sponsored by the Knights but in affiliation with Family Mediation. It is a safe, drug and alcohol free environment.
- Beede conference call on Thursday.
- Met with Bernadine Fitzgerald, they are going to the Legion to make sure they were going to approve the funds for the annual planting for Memorial Day. The flowers will be picked up on Tuesday and will be planted this week.
- Congratulated Lenka Poliquin on her swearing in ceremony on May 18. She is a resident of Plaistow and now a citizen of the United States.

J. Sherman and R. Gray discussed Planning Board and CIP coordination and Master Plan.

D. Poliquin discussed T-Ball at PARC with his son: a number of teams were out there while his son's team was practicing and he noticed that the team that John Sherman coaches had the highest number of hits to pitches.

M. Curran:

- Fundraiser for Kraken. She thought it was for the Police Department not the Association. She did not remember it being for the Association. Under the Police Association the Board does not have any control over what the money is used for
- She may not be available for attendance at the Memorial Day Parade because she has another commitment that may run over. She is sad that she may be absent from the march.

Public Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Audrey DeProspero