

**POLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
OCTOBER 16, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Wendy Sanborn called the meeting to order at 7:00PM with Selectmen, Larry Moreau, Lester Stevens, Steve Robinson and Jim Fernald present. The Town Manager and Assistant Town Manager were also present.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**General Assistance Ordinance Maximums**

Selectman Moreau moved to open the Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance maximums at 7:04pm. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Rosemary Roy provided a brief description of the changes to the General Assistance housing maximums. There were no public comments.

Selectman Moreau moved to close the Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance maximums. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Selectman Moreau moved to adopt the General Assistance Ordinance Maximums as presented on a memo dated October 11, 2012. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 4-yes 0-no 1-abstained (Selectman Moreau)

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**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Selectman Moreau moved to approve the meeting minutes of August 21, 2012, September 4, 2012, & September 11, 2012 as presented. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS** (A list of visitors who attended the meeting are attached to these minutes.)

Note: An earthquake occurred at this point in the meeting.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Town Manager's Report – In addition to a written report, the manager provided a verbal summary of activities that took place subsequent to submitting her report.

Hydrants – It was noted that the two fire hydrants located on Route 26 closest to middle/high school should be the financial responsibility of the RSU and should be resolved during the next budget process.

- Welcome Signs
- Gates at old RR bed will need to be opened for hunting and snowmobiles
- Through trucks signs are on order
- New seasonal worker has been hired
- Androscoggin Dispatch Meeting
- Opt Out Clause has been added to the realtor contract

## Department Reports

Fire Rescue - Mutual aid continues to escalate with the bulk of it appearing to be with United Ambulance; the Board would like to invite someone from United to attend a meeting to help clarify the current increase in this service. Chief Bosse was not available to speak to the topic.

## Financial Reports

- HM Payson Quarterly Report 9/30/12
- Electricity Use Report (Town Office) – the Board would like the manager to take a closer look at what may be causing the increased cost at the Town Office.

Selectman Robinson moved to accept the financial report of October 16, 2012 as presented. Selectman Moreau seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Communications - The following materials were included in the meeting packets:  
Affordable Care Act Information

## **OLD BUSINESS**

First Responder Vehicle - Selectman Moreau moved to award the vehicle to the highest bidder in the amount of \$1,857.00. Selectman Stevens seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Schedule Health Insurance Workshop – tabled.

Economic Development Workshop – The workshop will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the conference room.

Parking Ordinance Amendment - Birch Drive – Selectman Stevens moved to leave the ordinance as is, and that the No Parking signs on Birch Drive be placed so that they are located on the road in the correct line of sight. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 4-yes 1-no (Selectman Moreau)

Road Surface Management Software Update - Selectman Moreau moved to authorize the purchase of the RSMS program and to create three teams of six individuals to carry out the road surveys. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Liquor License Renewal - Selectman Moreau moved to approve the liquor license application for Fairlawn Golf Course as presented; going forward the Town Manager shall be authorized to approve renewal applications and it shall be up to the manager to bring any concerns before the Board. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5 -yes 0-no

Citizen Survey – Discussion only.

Establishment of New Town Committee - Selectman Moreau moved to establish a committee whose charge shall be to study alternative uses with any associated costs for the McConaghy property. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: The committee shall have 9 members from the following areas: Budget Committee – 1, Selectmen – 1, Planning Board – 1, Community &

Economic Development Committee - 2; Ricker Trustees – 2, Historical Society – 1, Residents at Large -1, and 3 Town Department Liaisons. The committee shall not negotiate the purchase of the house with the owner. The public is welcome to attend all meetings. The committee does not preclude what the Board has to do with the property. The completion date charged to the committee date shall December 31, 2012

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

It was noted that Selectman Robinson would be the Selectmen's representative for the McConaghy property committee.

The Board would like the Town Manager to set up an executive session meeting with the owner of the McConaghy property as soon as possible.

Consideration of Broadcasting a Candidates Debate Taped by New Gloucester CATV – Selectman Moreau moved to authorize the town to broadcast the Candidates Debate as time permits per the discretion of Poland's CATV supervisor, Joel Dulberg. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Road Name Applications - Selectman Moreau moved to approve the new road names of Tamerak Way, Underwood Drive, Whispering Pine Drive and Wintergreen Drive as submitted by the Planning Board. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

## **ASSESSING BUSINESS**

### **Abatements**

Selectman Moreau moved to grant the abatement for map 17, lot 44 in the amount of \$53.51 as presented. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Selectman Moreau moved to grant the abatement for map 8, lot 69 in the amount of \$6.83 as presented. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Selectman Moreau moved to grant the abatement for map 2A, lot 13-14 in the amount of \$262.90 as presented. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Selectman Moreau moved to grant the abatement for map 11, lot 45 in the amount of \$808.76 as presented. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

### **Supplementals**

Selectman Moreau moved to authorize the tax supplemental for map 11, lot 45C in the amount of \$1,244.20 as presented. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Selectman Moreau moved to authorize the tax supplemental for map 39, lot 5 in the amount of \$136.50 as presented. Selectman Robinson seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

**PAYABLES** - Selectman Moreau moved to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$986,351.86. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: Attorney fees are high. Unposted journals (corrections) seem to be frequent.  
Vote: 5-yes 0-no

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The consensus of the Board is to hold the next Selectmen's meeting on Wednesday, November 7, 2012 due to the presidential election.

Conservation Commission update.

Assessing Agent – Personal Property plan

The planning services selected by the Planning Board do not permanently tie them to the company. It is on an as needed basis.

Library Week Resolution – Selectman Robinson moved to accept the Library Week Resolution as presented. Selectman Moreau seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

Business of the Year Award - Selectman Robinson moved to grant this award to the business listed as #1 on the information provided. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

Vote: 5-yes 0-no

### **EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

Personnel Matter – Town Manager's Performance Appraisal – Selectman Moreau moved that the Board of Selectmen enter into executive session at 9:00pm with Town Manager, Rosemary Kulow pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Chapter 13 Public Records and Proceedings, subsection 405 Executive Sessions, subsection 6(A) to discuss a personnel matter. Selectman Fernald seconded the motion. Discussion: None.

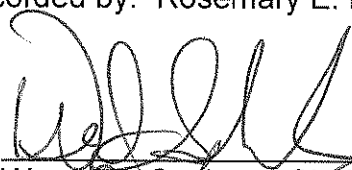
Vote: 4-yes 0-no (Selectman Sanborn stepped away from the table.)

The Board returned to session at approximately 9:40pm. The following action was taken: On a motion by Selectman Moreau and seconded by Selectman Fernald the Board voted 3-yes and 2-no (Selectmen Robinson and Stevens) to terminate the Town Manager's contract per its terms, to be effective immediately. NOTE: The written documentation on this motion was not located in town records and has been documented based on Selectmen's statements of the event and the statements provided to local newspaper by the former manager.

**ADJOURN** - Selectman Moreau moved to adjourn.

Recorded by: Rosemary E. Roy

Board of Selectmen

  
Wendy S. Sanborn, Chairperson

  
Lawrence M. Moreau, Vice Chairperson

  
Stephen E. Robinson

  
Lester C. Stevens

  
James H. Fernald

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Public Attendance

Meeting of October 16, 2012

WALTER GALLAGHER

MARK BOSE Poland Fire Rescue

Wimlow Dugan

Don Stora

John Cleveland

Sandra L. Novak

Vic Lindquist

Milo McClellan

Scott Segal

Byron Stout

Bastien Sirine

Kathryn Tracy