

## **MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2015 BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

**MEMBER'S PRESENT:** Board Members Tim Copeland, David Canada and Bruno Federico and Town Administrator Paul Deschaine.

At 7:30 pm Mr. Copeland reconvened the general meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Ms. Bronson reported that the current balance was \$2,423,975.82.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Mr. Copeland moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 9<sup>th</sup> as amended by Mr. Canada. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer Audrey Cline went over the regular building activity report for the month. Ms. Cline stated that the truck had some work completed but the window controls had recently failed. She continued that she would get an estimate and come back to the Board. Mr. Copeland suggested that she check the fuse.

Ms. Cline indicated relative to enforcement actions, that the logging operation on Stratham Heights Road seemed to be done for the time being. She continued that she would keep an eye on it.

Ms. Cline noted that the BMW dealership had recently been given an approval for a promotional sale. She continued that BMW believed that the approval included allowing vehicles to park on the lawn but she did not think that it did. The Board responded that it was not part of the approval. Mr. Copeland shared the issues he was having with the local dealerships, including unloading cars on Portsmouth Avenue and parking on Raeder Drive.

Ms. Cline reported that Oxland Builders had been denied a variance to operate a business at their Portsmouth Avenue location. It is in a residential/agricultural zone.

**MEETINGS:** The Chair then reviewed the meetings scheduled for the coming week and reviewed the meetings held this past week.

### **ADMINISTRATION:**

Mr. Deschaine stated that there was an additional proposal to develop the costs of continuing the water line to Frying Pan Lane from the proposed water meter station. He continued that they had received a proposal from Wright Pierce in the amount of \$44,000.00.

Mr. Canada moved to accept the proposal from Wright Pierce in the amount of \$44,000 to develop estimated costs of bringing the water lines to Frying Pan Lane on the eastside of Portsmouth Avenue. Mr. Copeland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Deschaine noted that Charlie Case of 36 River Road had indicated his desire to fulfill the vacancy on the Energy Commission. He continued that Mr. Case seemed to be very knowledgeable and had previously been on the Eliot, Maine Commission.

Mr. Canada moved to appoint Charlie Case to the Energy Commission as a regular member to fill the 2015 slot vacancy. Mr. Copeland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Deschaine stated that the Board would be meeting with the Library Trustees as requested on November 23<sup>rd</sup> and it would be on the next agenda.

Mr. Deschaine noted that two of the potential town planner candidates were from out of state and asked if the Board would be willing to do a phone interview or an interview via Skype. The Board responded they would rather do the interviews via Skype and decided they would ask the same questions to all candidates.

Mr. Deschaine indicated that he had been working with the developers on Sanctuary Drive to complete a performance agreement. He continued the agreement was ready for Board approval and they were close to supplying a Letter of Credit to guaranty performance of the agreement.

Mr. Canada moved to approve the performance agreement. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Deschaine stated he had received the final draft of the conservation easement and had emailed it to the Board to review. He continued the Board can email him with any comments and could discuss the issue at the next meeting.

Mr. Deschaine noted relative to the RFP for the Town Center work that he needed to review the final draft of the audit in order to get it to bond rating companies. Once he finished with that priority, he would then revise the RFP and submit it to DOT for review. He continued he hoped to have this completed by the end of the month.

At 8:27 P.M. Mr. Canada moved to adjourn. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Rodier  
Recording Secretary