

TOWN OF TREMONT
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TREMONT COMMUNITY BUILDING
MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2004
6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
Selectmen's meeting of April 5, 2004 was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Alden Gray.
2. ROLL CALL
Alden Gray, Steve Harper, Scott Grierson, Scott Harper, Millard Billings and Recording Secretary Heidi Farley.
3. ACCEPT MINUTES
Steve motioned to accept minutes of March 29, 2004, Scott Harper seconded, three yeases. Alden abstained because he was not present for the entire meeting.
4. APPROVE WARRANTS
#115 \$4845.50
#116 \$422.50
#117 \$3867.32
#118 \$1019.50
#119 \$4812.74
#120 \$5469.09
#121 \$3029.00
#122 \$1399.50
#123 \$4037.54
#124 \$59671.45
Steve motioned to accept warrants, Scott G. seconded, unanimous.
5. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Harbor Committee request to meet with the Board of Selectmen
 2. Wharf House
Stewart Murphy, Chairman of the Harbor Committee, commented that the Harbor Committee would like to check with realtors and contractors as to what needs to be done at the Wharf house so that it can be rented.
Selectmen and Harbor Committee would like the Town Manager to make a list of things that need to be done at the house and to have the Insurance Co. come and take a look at it also.

1. Harbor Master Job

The Harbor Committee is in agreement that the Harbormaster job should remain a forty-hour per week position. Alden said it would depend on the money situation. A lot of discussion about having the Harbormaster be a contracted position. The Harbor Committee will have a meeting and go over the Harbormaster duties line by line, see what changes need to be made, then bring it back to the Selectmen. Every one agreed that the duties should be the contract so it needs to be gone over thoroughly.

Steve motioned to allow the Harbor Committee to spend up to \$500.00 for a stone and plaque for Frederick "Bubba" Butler, Scott Harper seconded, unanimous.

B. Award contract for Town Garage Site project

John Goodwin Jr. bid \$5400.00 and Doug Gott & Sons Inc. bid \$4970.00 Steve motioned to award Doug Gott & Sons Inc. for the Town Garage site project, Scott Grierson seconded, unanimous.

Charlie Dillon also made note that the funds would be coming out of the new garage fund for this project and that if Public Works needed some tools that there is extra money in this account that was raised for that purpose.

C. Town Manager's Report

1. Town Manager reported that he received a request from the Harbor Committee asking him to get in touch with the DOT to clean up their mess at the Ferry Terminal. He called Jim McCloud at Rockland DOT with this request and he said that he would look into it.
2. The Public Works crew has started repairing damaged floats and finger floats. We have cut bolts on the cement pads that the ice jacked up at Seal Cove. We plan to lift one end at a time and relevel under the pad to realign them. The Public Works Crew will start scraping and painting the floats to make ready for launch this spring.
3. The secret ballot for Harbor House funding requires a Public Hearing to be held at least ten days before Town Meeting. The notice for this Public Hearing only needs to be posted in one place in town, with a certificate of return, seven days before the Public Hearing. It is not required by law that this type of Public Hearing be advertised in the newspapers twice like a Public Hearing for an Ordinance amendment or enactment.

Selectmen asked for a ballot as follows:

Vote for either Yes or No

YES <input style="width: 80px; height: 30px;" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input style="width: 80px; height: 30px;" type="checkbox"/>	Does the Town wish to fund the Harbor House Sports Program with a Town participation of \$10,117.00 and an activity fee per participant of \$15.00
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Selectmen agree that this ballot sample is fine and that Millard can make ballots. The Public Hearing on this will be on Monday April 19, 2004 at 6:00 PM.

4. Town Manager asked Selectmen what they would like to do in regards to a Tax Assessor for the Town of Tremont. After some discussion, Scott Harper motioned to appoint Gary Geaghan for a one-year term. He will work 30 days per year for \$9000.00. Steve seconded, unanimous.
5. Nautilus Restaurant liquor license renewal request. Steve motioned to table this until they fix their application, Scott G. seconded, unanimous.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Annual Warrant
 Scott H. motioned for Harbor House request to be a referendum question, Scott G. seconded, unanimous.
 Steve motioned to give Town employees a three percent cost of living raise, Scott G. seconded, unanimous.
 Scott H. motioned to recommend \$32989.58 from wharf reserve to dept service, \$25852.16 for the fire truck and \$19771.23 for the Municipal garage from taxation, Steve seconded, unanimous.
 Fire Department request was tabled until Selectmen could see the warrant article.

7. OTHER

Last week the Selectmen asked the Town Manager to draft a letter to the Hancock County Commissioners office stating that the Town of Tremont does not support regionalization. Scott G. made a motion for Millard to go ahead and send the letter, Steve seconded, unanimous. On March 15th, 2004 the Selectmen approved Town Managers contract. The Attorney review has not come back yet, do the Selectmen want to start the new salary for the Town Manager on April 1st, 2004. Selectmen agree that they do. Town Manager also reported that he has not heard from the Attorney yet as to the Towns liability for a sinking boat.

8. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

Selectmen decided to have a budget workshop on Monday, April 12, 2004 at 6:00 PM. The Selectmen's next regular meeting will be on Monday, April 19, 2004.

9. ADJOURN
Steve motioned to adjourn at 8:10 PM, Alden seconded, unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by
Heidi Farley
Recording Secretary

Alden Gray

Steve Harper

Scott Grierson

Scott Harper

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