

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015**

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Kurt Youland called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Mr. Kevin Nichols, Mr. Dennis Richardson, Mr. Kurt Youland, Mr. Ralph Caldwell, Mr. Angelo Terreri, Mr. Kurt Schaub, and Mr. Toby Martin. Guest: Mike Arsenault, Lisa Bennett, and Steve Bennett.
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** No adjustments
3. **Heating Oil Bid: 3-1: Bid Review and Award:** Mr. Angelo Terreri excused himself from this discussion. Motion and second to award the bid to Blanchard's fixed price per gallon of 1.899. Unanimous vote.
4. **Fire Department Report: Equipment:** all apparatus are inspected, going thru SCBA bottles to see which ones want to hydro and keep in service, new batteries were purchased for the thermal imaging camera housed on Engine #91. **Training:** Currently have one member attending basic fire school being held in Greene, looking to schedule another joint training session between fire & rescue to discuss going over ambulances to make members aware of where equipment is stored. **Buildings:** North Station BQMC, pass door entering the fire station has an issue with the existing door lock mechanism, Ross contacted the lock smith company and ordered a new mechanical door lock mechanism. Discussed with Town Manager about having someone inspect roof at the central fire station to see if we have any issues before cold weather gets here.
5. **Rescue Department Report: 5-1: Regular Monthly Report:** Subscription plan: enrollment 80 people collected \$1980.00 Board asked Mr. Martin to break down average run times by towns individually to more accurate response time per town. **Safety Committee:** working on written plans – MSDA/SDS forms, next meeting will be held on October 13 @ 10:00am at the Town Office.
6. **Town Manager's Report: 6-1: Bicentennial Bell:** Meeks, Watson and Company has offered to have our originally contracted bell cast at a sister foundry in England at no additional cost to town. Town Manager's response to that was we might be inclined to accept that offer so long as we were provided with regular updates on its progress, including photographs and a reasonable delivery window. That was the Town Manager's last contact with them prior to the September 21 meeting when it was voted to cancel the order and obtain a refund. Following the cancellation email, the Town Manager another email in which Meeks, Watson said the England foundry had made substantial progress – the mold was nearly finished, and the cast bell would be shipped on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Once received in Ohio, they would attach the yoke they have already made, and deliver it themselves at no additional charge to the town. Town Manager discussed with Mr. Kurt Youland and we agreed it would be best at this point to allow them to continue – provided they keep us informed. Have received photos of the work completed to date and at this moment, satisfied that progress is being made. **6-2:**

**Financial Statements:** Mr. Kurt Schaub provided the board with copies of financial statements. **6-3: State Valuation Report:** Turner's share of both will increase slightly. The valuation difference between 2015 and 2016, for Turner, is mostly attributable to commercial development that became fully taxable last year. Turner's value in the formal notice is consistent with the annual review of our assessments that is conducted by Maine Revenue Services. **6-4: Transfer Station Update:** The single-sort recycling program will officially kick off on Saturday, October 17, 2015. Casella Waste Systems, our single-sort recycler, will provide handouts and posters to help educate our residents on the new system, and will have a representative on hand to support our transition. **6-5: Tidswell Road Culvert Grant:** The application for the second round Maine DEP Stream Crossing Public Infrastructure Improvements opened today. Mr. Kurt Schaub is revising the first round submission to include the geotechnical engineering report: which indicates that the pipe arch culvert that we've been contemplating is actually feasible. **6-6: Other informational items:** Mr. Kurt Schaub also asked the board to consider closing on the day after Thanksgiving, with staff using vacation, comp, or personal time for that day. Motion and second to close the office the day after Thanksgiving with staff using their own time. Unanimous vote.

7. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept consent agenda. Unanimous vote.
8. **Executive Session – Duties of Fire Chief – Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. € 405(6) (A):** Motion and second to enter into Executive Session at 7:25pm. Motion and second to exit executive session at 8:05pm. Unanimous vote. Board agreed to table action relative to the duties of the Fire Chief for 60 days.
9. **Executive Session – Duties of Rescue Chief – Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. € 405(6) (A):** Motion and second to enter into executive session at 8:05pm. Motion and second to exit executive session at 9:10pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to increase the Rescue Chief's salary to \$55,000 per year, unanimous vote. Pay order will be prepared for the October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.
10. **Executive Session – Duties of Town Manager – Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. € 405(6) (A):** Motion and second to enter into executive session at 9:10pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to exit executive session at 9:40pm, with no action taken.
11. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM