

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Monday, March 17, 2014
6:30 PM

1. **Call to Order and The Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Kurt Youland called the meeting to order at 6:35pm and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said. Those present: Mr. Ralph Caldwell, Mr. Dennis Richardson, Mr. Kurt Youland, Mr. Richard Keene, Mr. Scott LaFlamme, and Mr. John Moultrie. Guest: Mr. Lawrence House and Mr. Kevin Nichols.
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda: None**
3. **Special Town Meeting Warrant Approval: Vacated Selectmen's Position:** Motion and second to accept the Special Town Meeting Warrant to fill the Vacated Selectmen's Position. Unanimous vote to accept Warrant.
4. **Spirit of America Award Recipient Discussion:** Mr. Lawrence House nominated Leota Austin, Joan Pedersen and Brenda Mullins for their involvement in the Senior Lunches. These ladies bake cakes for seniors having birthdays, serve lunch and clean up. Motion and second to nominate Leota Austin, Joan Pedersen and Brenda Mullins for the Spirit of America Award. Unanimous vote to nominate the ladies above.
5. **Old Business: 5-1: Town Planner Agreement:** Mr. LaFlamme spoke to the City of Auburn but at this time Auburn would not be able to commit to an agreement. Mr. LaFlamme received three quotes from outside agencies which were very expensive. Mr. LaFlamme recommends staying with our current Planner AVCOC. Motion and second to contract with AVCOC for a one year. 3 for 1 opposed to a one year contract with AVCOC.
5-2: Whitman Property Discussion: Motion and second to authorize the Town Attorney to pursue legal action and to incur legal costs and fees, in order to enforce court orders against Mr. Whitman and to authorize the Town Attorney to take the necessary steps to clean up and/or condemn the property. Unanimous vote to follow the above motion.
6. **Public Works Business: Monthly Report:** Mr. Moultrie has submitted a cost amount of \$20,000 to the Maine Emergency Management Agency for reimbursement to the Town for two of the major ice storms we have had. This claim was rejected as the Maine Emergency Management Agency classified these storms as snow storms not ice storms. Current balance in the winter roads account is \$46, 284.47. Mr. Moultrie has incorporated several changes and worked hard to be able to bring the winter budget in under the appropriation, without jeopardizing public safety. It's beginning to look like we may make it if the weather cooperates. Mr. Moultrie has started draft specifications for the conversion to single sort recycling in the event our funding article passes at Town Meeting. Mr. Moultrie is also working on the yearly report for DEP and as time allows updating the Operations Manual for the Transfer Station.
7. **Town Manager's Business: 7-1: Q & A Memo:** No Discussion **7-2: Assessing Conversion Discussion:** Mr. LaFlamme informed the Board that we received a bill for

\$15,000 from O'Donnell Associates for an Assessing Conversion that was not approved. The Board has asked for a written statement from Mr. LaFlamme stating that this conversion was not approved and invite O'Donnell Associated to attend the next Selectmen's meeting on April 7, 2014. The Board would like to discuss Audit options at next meeting, there was a motion and second to authorize Mr. Ralph Caldwell to contact MMA to discuss different options. Unanimous vote.

8. **Liaison Report:** Nothing for Road Committee, Fire, Rescue, Leavitt Institute, or Other Buildings/Boards/Committees, Transfer/Recycling. Planning Board: Got two sketch plans to be presented for new commercial development on Rt.4. Ellis Commercial Leasing, purchased property across from RJB and Sons. They plan on developing the former Village Farm Stand location into a 3,000+- sqft credit union location, in addition to a 30,000+- sqft multi-unit retail space. The other project is proposed for the commercial lot located across from the Post Office on Rt. 117. There, a second development team is proposing to construct a 9,000+- Dollar General at that location. Both sketch plans are projected to be proposed during the Planning Board's rescheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 18th at 7:00pm.
9. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept consent agenda. Unanimous vote to accept consent agenda.
10. **Executive Session: 1MRSA 405 (6) (D) Labor Negotiations:** Motion and second to enter into Executive Session at 8:20pm. Unanimous vote to enter into Executive Session. Motion and second to exit Executive Session at 9:15pm. Unanimous vote.
11. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourn 9:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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