

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 31, 2012**

Chairman Ives called the Meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. in order to go into executive session. Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Office Assistant Bonnie Theriault. Selectman Bowles made a motion to go into executive session. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Selectman Krieger – yes, Selectman Bowles – yes and Chairman Ives – yes. All were in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:36 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Selectman Krieger – yes, Selectman Bowles – yes and Chairman Ives – yes. All were in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Ives stated that the purpose of the executive session was to discuss a payroll issue with a town employee.

Chairman Ives called the regular meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, and Selectman Krieger.  
Also present were Police Chief Bob Fiske and Fire Chief Dick Wright.

- I. The Board met with Jim Dymont from the American Legion. Mr. Dymont explained that they have set up a committee for the building and he introduced Jim Timmins, Commander Joseph Piroso and Tom Schneider who will be tonight's spokesperson. Mr. Schneider explained that they are in the exploratory phase for the future of the building. He said they have spoken to a few real estate people and are exploring the option of private sale. They're wondering if the town has any potential interest in the property. Chairman Ives stated that the idea has been kicked around for years because of the parking, the proximity to the rec field and the possibility of a new town office. Chairman Ives asked what figure they are looking at. Mr. Schneider said they are looking at around the tax assessment; one real estate person suggested right around the assessment should be the goal. Selectmen Krieger asked what the assessment is. Mr. Dymont stated it is \$319,000.00; the land is valued at \$88,000.00. Chairman Ives stated that speaking for himself he wouldn't be behind spending \$300,000.00 because in his opinion the building would have to be torn down. Mr. Bowles agreed that the building is of no value to the town. Chairman Ives stated that if it was just \$88 -90,000.00 for the land then maybe they could do some talking, but he doesn't want them to feel obligated to give the town a great deal. Mr. Schneider said that there is a mutual interest as it is part of the American Legion's Constitution to help support the local community. He said that they need to take care of both the best interests of the Town of Loudon and the American Legion and if an offer came in for around \$319,000.00 it would be hard to pass up. Chairman Ives stated that there would be no hard feelings if they could get that kind of money. Selectman Bowles said that it is a very valuable piece of property for the community. Chairman Ives asked about the timeframe that they're looking at. Mr. Dymont said that's up to the Town. Chairman Ives stated that's it's really too late to vote on anything at town meeting this year but there could be a discussion. Selectmen Bowles stated that if they could come to terms they could do something for next year. Selectmen Krieger stated that it would be a nice location and for that reason they're definitely

interested. Mr. Dymont stated that the building is not on the historic register fortunately. Selectmen Bowles said they can ask the moderator if they can have a brief discussion at town meeting and get a feel from the town. Mr. Dymont said that the Legion would be interested in leasing an office in the building if the town buys it. Mr. Dymont asked if the Selectmen think there would be problems with the town if they tore the building down. Chairman Ives said that when it is torn down, they could do it in a way that they could reuse pieces of it or maybe it could be moved but it wouldn't work for a Town Office.

- II. The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.
  - a) Selectmen Krieger stated that there was a reported house fire yesterday; he stated that the response from the town was awesome, the police department got there first and it was handled really well and shows a real dedication to the town. Chairman Ives stated that the town has good police, fire and highway departments.
- III. Chairman Ives stated for the record that he signed three pistol permits.
- IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Dick Wright.
  - a) Chief Wright stated that everyone seems to be happy and everything is going well within the department.
  - b) Chief Wright said that Collin Grinnell just passed the EMT test.
  - c) Chief Wright said that he is still working on the apparatus problem.
  - d) The Board asked if Chief Wright has heard from MRI. Chief Wright said no but he thinks they might think there is not much point in submitting a big report now. Chief Wright stated that he told them he'd like to know if there are any main points that he needs to be aware of.
- V. The Board met with Bob Landry who submitted a letter regarding the Crowley Road bond. Selectman Bowles explained that they will be forwarding the letters and Ms. Crowley's check to Town Counsel, who will file with the court and put a hold on the check so that the residents and Ms. Crowley can present their case. Selectmen Bowles stated that the town is done because it's a private road. Mr. Landry stated that in his letter he is asking the town for assistance in forming a road association. Chairman Ives said that they could probably facilitate a meeting with the residents and that maybe Ned Lizotte and Paul Lehouiller from the Hardy Road Association would explain their association.
- VI. Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 25, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.
- VII. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
  - a) The Board received a memo concerning reducing the amount of money on a warrant article for the Conservation Commission.
  - b) The Board received a memo from Bonnie as a member of the Joint Loss Management Committee regarding mold at the library.
  - c) The Board received Town Report Material to review and approval.
  - d) The Board received copies of a letter from Town Counsel regarding Crowley and the Ledges.
  - e) The Board received copies of letters from residents of Greenview Drive regarding the road bond.

- f) The Board received a copy of an email that they received from Town Counsel last Thursday.
- g) The Board received a copy of a workshop notice from LGC on Playground Maintenance; they asked that it be forwarded to Alicia Grimaldi.
- h) The Board received a Notice of Traffic Impact Study meeting Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> regarding the Beanstalk Store project.
- i) The Board received notices of Compliance from DES regarding Capitol Fire and Loudon Village Store.
- j) The Board received copies of emails from Chief Fiske and a letter of intent from NHMS.
- k) The Board received copies of a check for the Highway Block Grant from the State of NH.
- l) The Board received past due ambulance bills for review. Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #48355 in the amount of \$524.39, account #50993 in the amount of \$566.30, account #49908 in the amount of \$572.70 and account #45837 in the amount of \$722.20 seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
- m) The Board received copies of the Draft Joint Loss Management Committee meeting minutes from Thursday, January 26, 2012.
- n) The Board received copies of the Draft January 26, 2012 Zoning Board Minutes.
- o) The Board received copies of Legislative Bulletin #06.
- p) The Board received copies of the Wednesday, January 25, 2012 Governor and Executive Council meeting minutes
- q) The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

VIII. Selectman Bowles made a motion to pay the interim Fire Chief Richard Wright the amount of \$500.00 per month retroactive to January 1, 2012 and take the funds from the Fire Chief Salary budget line 01-42200-100-110. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Selectman Krieger commented that this probably isn't enough for the amount of time the Chief is putting in over there, but this is a good token and a thank you for everything the Chief is doing. Selectman Bowles and Chairman Ives agreed. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Steven R. Ives, Chairman

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Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

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Robert P. Krieger, Selectman