

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 19, 2013

Present: Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives.

Also present: Road Agent Dave Rice.

Chairman Bowles called the Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Selectman Ives moved to accept the Selectmen's Non public Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 14, 2013 as written; seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

- I. Chairman Bowles stated for the record that he signed three pistol permits.
- II. The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.
 - a) Mr. Rice said that everything is going good. He said that they are keeping busy doing maintenance on trucks and roads. Mr. Rice stated that they have patched some holes and have more to do.
 - b) Selectman Ives asked if Mr. Rice is preparing for the weather tonight and for the weekend. Mr. Rice said he is. Selectman Ives asked if they have plenty of salt and sand. Mr. Rice said they are all set.
 - c) Selectman Ives asked about plowing the whole parking lot at the American Legion. Chairman Bowles explained that he asked Mr. Rice to plow the entire lot for the winter carnival this weekend and then it can just be kept open.
 - d) Chairman Bowles said there is a blocked culvert on Lovejoy Road that needs to be taken care of. Mr. Rice will get it taken care of. Chairman Bowles said there is also a tree top that needs to be taken care of.
- III. Chairman Bowles stated that, thankfully, the Police Department captured the gentleman that was roaming around town breaking into cars and stealing.
 - a) The Board recognized Steve Jakubowski from the audience. Mr. Jakubowski stated that he heard a rumor about people breaking into cars and wanted to know if that had been publicized. He wanted to know why the Loudon Police Department doesn't put out a police log like so many other towns do so people know what is going on. Mr. Jakubowski said that the old saying is that the public is the best tool for law enforcement. He said that last spring there was all kinds of rumors about break-ins, the worst thing you can have is rumors. Mr. Jakubowski stated that if people know what is going they would be more vigilant. He said other towns do it so why can't the police post something on a weekly basis or in the Loudon Ledger saying what is going on in town so people are aware. He said in his opinion keeping people in the dark is not good policy.
 - b) Selectman Ives said that probably on the website would be a good idea; in the Ledger would always be a month late.
 - c) Mr. Jakubowski said they should be able to put out safely and legally what has happened over the past week so people are aware. He said it doesn't make sense to keep people in the dark.

- d) Mr. Jakubowski said that if people knew what was going on they would be more vigilant about locking their houses and their cars.
- e) Mr. Jakubowski said it needs to be published on a current basis; a yearly report doesn't cut it. He said other departments do it Loudon should be able to.
- f) Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives said they would discuss this with the Chief.

IV. The Board began their review of correspondence.

- a) The Board received a memo from Chief Fiske regarding the CNHRPC 2014-2024 Road Improvement Program.
- b) The Board received an email from Audrey Lawson regarding the American Legion Property. She stated that the transaction has been completed and the deed will be forwarded to the town.
- c) The Board received a copy of an email from Town Council and removal specs and a newspaper notice regarding the Legion Building for their review. The Board approved the specs and the notice. They decided that the deadline for accepting proposals will be March 7 by 4:00 pm. and they will open the bids March 13 at 5:00 pm.
- d) The Board received a memo from Brenda. A meeting will be set at the Elementary School with Fred Reagan, Moderator Mike Labonte and Road Agent Dave to discuss arrangements for town meeting. The Board decided that due to town elections on March 12, Board of Permit will be held March 5.
- e) The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

V. The Board received the following reminders.

- a) *Thursday, February 21st* - Planning Board meeting.
- b) *Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 7:00 pm* - Candidate's night.
- c) *Thursday, March 7, 2013* – MVSD Annual Meeting. Polls open at 6:00 pm for election of School Board members, 7:00 pm for all other articles.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 PM. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman