

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, April 2, 2013**

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives, and Selectman Bowles.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 26, 2013 as written. Second by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

- I. The Board recognized State Representative Howard Moffett.
  - a. Mr. Moffett thanked the Board for allowing him to attend. He stated that he would come as often as would be helpful to the Board. Mr. Moffett said he doesn't have a format in mind he just came to check in with the Board. Mr. Moffett explained that they are just about halfway through the first legislative session of this biennium. He explained that April 4<sup>th</sup> is crossover day. It's the day when all the bills that originated in the House go to the Senate and the ones that started in the Senate go to the House. Mr. Moffett said that tomorrow is the day of the House vote on the budget. He explained that he has some information that he wants to share that reflects specifically to how the House finance committee's proposed budget would affect the Town of Loudon. Mr. Moffett said he would be happy to discuss how he voted on bills if the Board has questions.
  - b. Chairman Krieger asked how the budget is going to affect the Town. Mr. Moffett explained that in the budget that has been developed by the House Finance Committee that Adequate Education Aid is supposed to continue at approximately the same level for 2013, it dips slightly in 2014 and 2015. Meals & Rooms Tax distributions are about the same level for 2013 and 2014 but in 2015 it bumps ups. Selectman Ives asked why they bumped it up in 2015. Mr. Moffett said because they want to get money back to the Towns and they are assuming that the economy is coming back. Selectman Ives asked if this has something to do with gambling. Mr. Moffett said this budget does not include gambling. Selectman Ives said that he was thinking if a gambling resort is built the State might be counting on an influx of meals and rooms tax. Mr. Moffett said that regardless of gambling this budget is showing that an additional 5 million is going back to cities and towns.
  - c. Mr. Moffett discussed Highway Block Grants. He explained that the House passed a gas tax increase bill. It is for a .04 cent increase for 2014, 2015 and 2016. Mr. Moffett said some of that increase will come back to cities and towns through the Highway Block Grants. Mr. Moffett said this bill could still be knocked out by the Senate; it could still be comprised between the House and Senate. Mr. Moffett said this was a tough vote for him he knows that a lot people in Canterbury and Loudon are hurting so any increase in taxes is not going to be popular. He did vote for it because it seems to him that the State's economy depends on it. Selectman Ives said he prefers to see a targeted tax such as this where the gas tax is going to the highways rather than the money going into the general fund.

- d. Mr. Moffett discussed the Retirement System. He explained that a couple of years ago the legislature downshifted the retirement cost to the cities and towns. Mr. Moffett said to him this is the single biggest budget issue they have got. He said that he voted to shift to a hybrid plan for public employees but it didn't pass.
  - e. Chairman Krieger asked where the casino bill stands. Mr. Moffett said the Senate passed the bill to allow one casino almost surely in Rockingham Park. Selectman Ives clarified that the bill didn't define where it was going to be. Mr. Moffett stated that he has a lot of problems with gambling and he doesn't expect to vote for it when it comes to the House. He feels there are too many problems with it including it being a declining source of revenue, crime and all the stuff that comes with it.
  - f. Chairman Krieger thanked Mr. Moffett for coming in. Mr. Moffett said that he is available to them anytime.
  - g. Mr. Moffett told the Board that he, Priscilla Lockwood and Lorrie Carey will be at the Maxfield Public Library, with coffee and donuts, on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 10:00 am.
- II. Selectman Ives moved to go into a nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3, II (a) at 7:07 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Bowles – yes; Ives – yes; Krieger – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Ives made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Chairman Krieger. All in favor. Roll call vote: Bowles – yes; Ives – yes; Krieger – yes Motion carries Selectman Ives moved to come out of executive session at 7:30 p.m.; seconded by Chairman Krieger. Roll call vote: Bowles – yes; Ives – yes; Krieger – yes. All in favor. Motion carries.
- III. Chairman Krieger stated for the record that seven pistol permits were signed for approval.
- X. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
- a. The Board received two past due ambulance bills for review. Selectman Bowles made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #442 in the amount of \$622.40 and account #850 in the amount of \$55.03 seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Ives explained that although \$55.00 doesn't seem like much to send to collections, everything that doesn't get collected comes out of the tax payer's pockets.
  - b. The Board received a request from a patient to make payments for an ambulance bill. The Board will check to see if the bill has been sent to collections yet. They will look into the procedure before making an agreement with the person.
  - c. The Board received a copy of an email from NHMS submitted by Chief Fiske regarding the music at Color Vibe event. The Board agreed that the music should not be as loud as it was at last year's Renegade Event and if they get a complaint it will have to be shut down.
  - d. The Board received an email from a resident with concerns about a property's assessment. The Board will ask the Town Assessor to look into this.
  - e. The Board received a letter from DES regarding a Notification of Acceptance of Permit Application.

- f. The Board received a letter from the Concord Regional Crimeline. Chairman Krieger said that the Town should probably be involved in this. He said that there has been some concern in the past that if they are involved that Crimeline would ask the businesses in town for donations. He was informed that fundraising is not done that way. The Board will hold the information and speak with Chief Fiske about it.
- g. The Board received a letter from the Loudon Old Home Day Association. Saturday, August 10, 2013 will be the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the event.
- h. The Board received a copy of information for the State of NH DOT Bureau of Fuel Distribution. Selectman Bowles said that he spoke to someone with the Cate Van Committee, they would like to sign up for the program because they are in Concord so much, it would make sense to fuel up there. Selectman Bowles said the ambulances should also be signed up.
- i. The Board received a copy of the Tax Collector's Certification for their information.
- j. The Board received a copy of the High School & College Scholarship applications for their review. Selectman Ives made a motion to accept the McNeil/Cummings College and High School Scholarship applications with a due date of May 14, 2013. Second by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
- k. The Board received a notice of Public Hearing from Town of Pembroke ZBA regarding Regional Impact.
- l. The Board received a copy of information regarding forming Village Districts.
- m. The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

XI. The Board was reminded of the following:

- a. Monday, April 8, 2013 7:15 – MVSD School Board Meeting.
- b. Thursday, April 11, 2013 1:15 – NHMS TCP Committee Meeting.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 8:14 P.M. Second by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

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