

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 15, 2008

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles, and Maxfield.

Chairman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

- I. Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, April 8, 2008 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of Friday, April 11, 2008 between the Board of Selectmen and Library Trustees as presented. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
- II. The Board reviewed appointment papers. Selectman Bowles moved to appoint Eileen Maxfield to Deputy Town Clerk, Dorothy Mulkhey to Deputy Tax Collector, Alicia Grimaldi to Recreation Committee, Amanda Masse to Recreation Committee, Jennifer Pfeiffer to Recreation Committee, Christine Campbell to Recreation Committee, David Rice to Solid Waste and Recycling Committee, Norman Bowles to Solid Waste and Recycling Committee, Stephen Bennett to Solid Waste and Recycling Committee, and Sandra Blanchard to Solid Waste and Recycling Committee for a one year term with the appointment to expire March 31, 2009. And to appoint Daniel Geiger to the Conservation Commission for a three year term to expire March 31, 2011. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Ives moved to appoint Selectman Dustin Bowles as Ex-Officio to the Planning Board. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Majority vote in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Bowles abstained from the vote.
- III. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
 - a. The Board received information relative to a private dam and pond.
 - b. The Board was advised of a site walk scheduled for Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at 4:00 PM at Thistle Hill Road by the Planning Board.
 - c. The Board received a memo from Bob Fiske regarding Thistle Hill Road.
 - d. The Board received a memo from Bob Fiske regarding Sigrid Little's letter from April 8, 2008. Chairman Ives will contact Mr. Fiske regarding this issue.
 - e. The Board received copies of a notice from DOT regarding improvements to the intersection at Bee Hole Road, Piper Hill Road and Route 129.

- f. The Board received copies of a fax from Bob Fiske regarding live entertainment at the golf course. The Board agreed that they would like more details before they agree with this request and stated a memo will be forwarded to Mr. Fiske with the Board's questions. Discussion ensued regarding questioning hours of operation, number of times per year, etc.
- g. The Board received copies of a letter from Dean and Margaret Wilber regarding Board of Tax and Land Appeals. The Board agreed that they would set up a meeting with Mr. & Mrs. Wilber and the Selectmen and Assessor David Wiley to review the property on Hot Hole Pond Road.
- h. The Board received copies of a letter from Ron Woods regarding the NH Motor Speedway's assessment.
- i. The Board received a reminder from DES that the Berry Road drainage plan must be submitted by June 15, 2008.

IV. Chairman Ives opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 PM to accept State matching funds under FEMA Disaster 1643-DR-NH, which was declared on May 31, 2006.

- a. Chairman Ives read the Public Notice for those present. Selectman Maxfield moved to accept the NH Department of Safety Homeland Security Emergency Management grant in the amount of \$115,570.31. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. Selectman Bowles stated it was a reimbursement, not a grant. All in favor. Motion carried. The Board stated that these funds are in addition to what the Board had expected. Discussion ensued regarding these funds being reimbursement for work that was done and paid for. Paul Johnson asked if the funds could be used for the footings for a separate bridge in town or did they have to go towards Cross Brook or Chichester Road Bridges. The Board said that the money would be used for road improvements within town, that it was not specific to Cross Brook or Chichester Road Bridges. Mr. Johnson asked how much the Town spent on the bridge projects and asked if the Town had received more money than they paid out. The Board said that the State has received additional funds that are being divided up amongst the towns impacted by the flooding. They said originally the Town received 80% of the cost and now this is approximately 12% more to cover costs the Town has already paid out. The Board stated that the Town has paid out more than received in reimbursements or grants. Selectman Bowles said that the money will be used for road improvements that were put on hold because of the flooding and bridge issues. He said the Board has talked about fixing some of the culverts around Town to help keep the water flowing.

Chairman Ives closed the Public Hearing at 7:09 PM.

V. The Board continued their review of weekly correspondence.

- a. The Board received copies of the SDS Septage Facility Permit from DES.
- b. The Board received copies of an e-mail from the Recreation Committee asking for volunteers for the Bicycle Safety event on Saturday, May 10, 2008 at 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM and the Summer Recreation programs.
- c. Chairman Ives discussed the need to set up a meeting with the Selectmen from the Town of Canterbury to discuss fire and ambulance coverage and the elderly housing complex in Canterbury. The Board will try and set up a meeting for the first Monday in May with the Canterbury Selectmen to discuss this issue.
- d. The Board discussed the inquiry regarding the phone hook-up for the Cate Van Garage. Selectman Bowles stated that a trench needs to be dug along the side of the pipe that is already in place. Selectman Bowles will contact Road Agent David Rice to follow up on this issue.
- e. The Board received a regional impact notice from FEMA regarding the Flood Elevation Maps.
- f. Selectman Maxfield moved to forward past due ambulance bills, account #38468 in the amount of \$285.44, account #38445 in the amount of \$510.10, and account #37948 in the amount of \$292.75 to collections. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
- g. The Board received information for use by the Scholarship Committee regarding accreditation of trade schools. Discussion ensued regarding fulltime status and 12 credit hours. Chairman Ives stated that the new Scholarship Committee members will be Steve Ives, Roger Maxfield, Karon Maxfield, Dena Leonard, and Jim McNeil.
- h. The Board received information regarding the public hearing on proposed changes to the Property Liability Trust Membership Agreement.
- i. The Board received copies of a letter from DES to DOT regarding the Route 106 project between Loudon and Belmont.
- j. The Board received a letter from NH Legal Rights Foundation regarding class action litigation against the redistricting of legislative districts. Chairman Ives stated that it appears this is a request for a letter of support from the Selectmen as Loudon does not have their own “dedicated representative” with the State. Discussion ensued regarding surrounding towns that have their own representative to the State. The Board asked Office Manager Jean Lee to draft a letter supporting Loudon having a dedicated representative to the State and they will sign it at next week’s meeting.
- k. The Board received the notice for the Mountain of Demonstrations scheduled for May 22, 2008 at Gunstock.
- l. The Board received copies of the NHMA Legislative Bulletin #17.
- m. The Board received copies of the newsletter from Councilor Shea.

- n. The Board received copies of a notice from UNH regarding Road Management workshops.
- o. The Board received copies of upcoming workshops from Central NH Regional Planning Commission.
- p. John Plummer asked if there were any plans for roadside cleanup from community organizations. The Board said that they had not heard of any at this time. Discussion ensued regarding the amount of trash on the roadsides this year. The Board stated that they appreciate the efforts of all those that volunteer and pick up trash along the roadside. Mr. Plummer said that the Highway Crew had done a great job on Old Shaker Road.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 PM. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

THE LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Chairman

Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman