

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2006**

PRESENT: Selectmen Bowles and Ives. Selectman Maxfield is out of town this evening. Also present are Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske, Deputy Fire Chief Rick Wright, Road Agent David Rice, Planning Board Chairman Tom Dow, Bob Ordway Planning Board Representative, and David Powelson Zoning Board of Adjustment Chairman.

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

- I. Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, May 2, 2006 as written. Second by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
- II. Chairman Bowles convened the Board of Permit.
 - a. Bob Fiske presented three hawkers and peddlers applications. Number 1 is for Brookside Mall, specifically for the July and September Nextel Cup races. The application is for six vendor spaces, the same as in past years. Mr. Fiske reminded those present that there is also a parking permit in place to allow parking of cars in available spaces on race day. He said everything went well last year and has no problems with the application. Chairman Bowles questioned any safety concerns for pedestrian traffic. Mr. Fiske said there were no problems.
 - b. Mr. Fiske stated the second application is for Loudon Youth Athletic Association for 3ft x 5 ft banners at Staniels Road Ball Field, with no more than 15 banners allowed. The banners contain no advertising for alcohol or tobacco. Mr. Fiske requested the fees be waived, as in the past. Chairman Bowles stated everything appears to be in order.
 - c. The third application is for Dudley's Ice Cream. The application is the same as in past years with the exception that they have requested one of the spaces, on the garage side, to be used up to seven days per week for a food vendor. Chairman Bowles questioned if this was during race weeks only or for the entire summer. Mr. Fiske said it was for the summer. Chairman Bowles asked for a comparison to The Smoke Shack regarding the permitted hours. Mr. Fiske said this was a state pre-requisite and no longer applies. Selectman Ives questioned whether just anyone could set up at Dudley's if this was approved. Mr. Fiske replied that the vendor would have to supply the Town with a state hawkers and peddler's license as well.
 - d. The Board discussed the vacant administrative assistant position. Chairman Bowles said he would like to have both Planning Board and Zoning Board Chairmen included in the interview process.

Chairman Bowles closed the Board of Permit and reconvened the Selectmen's Meeting.

- III. The Board met with Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.
 - a. Chief Fiske presented two pistol permits for approval.
- IV. The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.
 - a. Mr. Rice discussed the tractor he is interested in purchasing. Selectman Ives moved to authorize the Road Agent David Rice to purchase a tractor trailer for \$4,300, with the funds to come from line item #01-43241-600-666 and 01-43241-600-670. Second by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - b. Mr. Rice advised the Board the bearing for the grader has arrived but they have also determined that there is metal in the transmission so this will have to be removed. Chairman Bowles stated he reviewed the prior repairs to the grader. Mr. Rice said they think the problem is a bearing but they are still researching the issue.
 - c. Mr. Rice advised the Board the crew is patching holes and cleaning culverts. The street sweeper is also scheduled for this week.
- V. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
 - a. The Board reviewed the cemetery maintenance bid specification and discussed a proposed meeting for Thursday, May 18 at 4:00 P.M. to review any proposals received.
 - b. The Board was presented with a check for \$1,922 from Property-Liability Trust to cover replacement of the voting booths at the Town Hall. Selectman Ives moved to approve the withdrawal of \$1,000 from the contingency fund to cover the deductible amount for replacement of the voting booths for the Town Hall. Second by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - c. The Board acknowledged a memo received from Assessor Dave Wiley regarding tax map 20, lot 070.
 - d. The Board acknowledged a memo from Assessor Dave Wiley regarding the Discretionary Preservation Easement application scheduled for public hearing on May 23rd.
 - e. The Board was provided with correspondence regarding a joint meeting with Merrimack Valley School Board on May 24 at Loudon Elementary School.
 - f. The Board acknowledged Fire Chief Jeff Burr's certificate of achievement for emergency management training.
 - g. The Board noted receipt of a copy of the Fire Department radio grant award from Department of Safety. The department will receive 34 radios under this grant.
 - h. The Board reviewed the request for reimbursement forms prepared for use by the administrator of the NH Citizens Corps, Theresa Barton. Funds will come from the \$1,000 administrative grant received by the Town. The Board approved the use of these forms.
 - i. Chairman Bowles discussed the release of sealed minutes from the executive session meeting minutes of April 18, 2006, as the reasons stated did not meet the criteria set forth in RSA 91-A:3 for a non-public

meeting.. Selectman Ives moved to release minutes from the executive session dated April 18, 2006. Second by Chairman Bowles. Chairman Bowles will release the minutes in draft form within 72 hours. The minutes will be approved at the next regular Selectmen's Meeting. Selectman Maxfield must be present in order to formally approve the minutes as Chairman Bowles was not in attendance at that meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

- VI. The Chairman recognized Firefighter/EMT Bill Lake from the audience.
- a. Mr. Lake advised the Board that as an employee of the Fire Department he had received his copy of the revised personnel policy. He questioned the section of annual leave, which states 5/12 days for the first year, 10/12 days for the second year and 15/12 day after five years. He said the section is confusing because the firefighter/emt's work 12 hour shifts instead of 8 hour shifts. Mr. Lake said he had contacted surrounding towns to see how they calculate annual leave. Chairman Bowles said the Selectmen did not change this section in this revision. He said the same formula from the original policy was carried over. Selectman Ives said he understood the concerns of the firefighters. Chairman Bowles said he did not recall discussions on this subject, but the Board will discuss it further when Selectman Maxfield returns.
- VII. John Plummer was recognized from the audience.
- a. Mr. Plummer asked about the start of construction on the Soucook River Bridge. Chairman Bowles stated Selectman Maxfield has been handling this project. The Board will try and have additional information available next week.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:48 P.M. Second by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman