

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 11, 2013

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

Also present: Fire Chief Dick Wright, Police Chief Bob Fiske and Road Agent Dave Rice.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, June 4, 2013 as written. Second by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

- I. The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.
 - a. Mr. Rice said that they got the new flail mower today.
 - b. Chairman Krieger asked how the ditching on Mudgett Hill Road is going. Mr. Rice said they are gaining; they are hoping to finish this week. He said that they will move from there to Hemlock Hill.
 - c. Mr. Rice said they will back out fine tuning the roads once it stops raining.
 - d. Mr. Rice said when the weather is right they will be topping Bee Hole Road.
 - e. Selectman Ives said that the water came down Pine Ridge Road to the end of Riverview Lane and is starting to undermine the end of the road. He explained that the stone washed away and the edge of the road is going to start cracking away. Mr. Rice said they will get down there with some stone.
 - f. Mr. Rice said they got a new push mower and need to get a new weed whacker.

- II. The Board reviewed paving bids. Mr. Rice explained that he gave all the companies the same footage and he rode around with someone from each of the companies so that they would see what the road looks like. Selectman Ives made a motion to accept the Pike Industries, Inc. bid for the paving of Hemlock Hill, Plateau Ridge and Mudgett Hill roads in the amount of \$252,030.50. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carries.

- III. Chairman Krieger announced that Rick Wright is the new Fire Chief. Selectman Bowles thanked the fire department members, on behalf of the Board, for their patience and understanding through the process of hiring a new Chief. He also thanked Chief Dick Wright for his services and helping them through the process.

- IV. Chairman Krieger explained that Selectmen Ives and Bowles handed out scholarships at the Merrimack Valley High School awards night Monday evening.

- V. The Board met with Chief Wright and Deputy Chief Wright.
 - a. Chairman Krieger said that he noticed the screens at the fire station are torn. Captain Lake explained to him that the birds have ripped them apart and is using the material for nesting. A member of the department, Gary Brooks, works for Granite State Glass he said there is a bird resistant screen. He is going to replace one screen with the bird

resistant screen and see what happens. If it withstands the birds they will replace the others.

- b. Chief Wright brought a Consent to Use of Name form for the Board to sign; the Fire Association has reorganized, the bylaws have been revised and the name is Loudon Firefighter's Association.
- c. Chief Wright stated that Lieutenant Reese is at the US Fire Academy in Maryland. He'll be there for two weeks taking the fire investigation course.

VI. The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

- a. Chief Fiske submitted a Letter of Intent from NHMS for July 10 – July 14, 2013. Chief Fiske stated that he highlighted four areas where it's indicated there would be potentially three bands until 11:00 pm. Chairman Krieger said the Board would send a letter in response to the letter of intent saying that if there are issues they reserve the right to stop things. Selectman Ives said it should also say they strongly urge the set up of the bands to be facing towards the track. Chairman Krieger said it's getting to be a lot of events there. Chief Fiske said that during the debriefing at Gunstock after the Tough Mudder; it was explained that there is a possibility that the Tough Mudder event could be held four times per year.
- b. Chief Fiske said that Ossipee Mountain is on track and this Thursday should be the final test.
- c. Chief Fiske said that he has not received the Mass Casualty Plan yet; as soon as he does he will forward it to the Board as requested.
- d. Chief Fiske said that the DARE program gave out six \$500.00 scholarships.
- e. Chief Fiske said that he reviewed his budget lines, has money available and wants to place a couple of orders. He discussed the orders with the Board.

VII. Selectman Ives moved to go into a nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) and RSA 91-A: 3, II (i) at 6:46 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Bowles – yes; Ives – yes; Krieger – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that this pertains to preparation or carrying out of actions regarding terrorism. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Roll call vote: Bowles – yes; Ives – yes; Krieger – yes Motion carries. Selectman Bowles moved to come out of executive session at 8:05 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Bowles – yes; Ives – yes; Krieger – yes. All in favor. Motion carries.

VIII. Selectman Ives made a motion to appoint Richard D. Wright as the Fire Chief for the Town of Loudon effective July 1, 2013, with a pay rate of \$63,000.00 per year, two week's vacation, standard sick time, health and dental insurance. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Krieger said that he spoke to the Fire Department last night and they seemed very happy to have him.

IX. Selectman Ives made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract with Mainstay Technologies to do the IT work for the Town Office. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carries.

X. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

- a. The Board received a copy of the current expenditure report for review.
- b. The Board received a letter from SAU #46 with the estimated total the Town of Loudon will be assessed for the school district for the 2013-2014 school year. Chairman Krieger read that it will be \$678,253.91 per month for 11 months.
- c. The Board received a memo from Dave Wiley regarding NHMS.
- d. The Board received the NH Retirement System 2014-2015 Contribution Rates.
- e. The Board received a letter from George Sansoucy regarding Fairpoint Litigation.
- f. The Board received a letter from George Sansoucy regarding a 2012 Abatement Application.
- g. The Board received the War Memorial Maintenance Fund account history and available balance for their review.
- h. The Board received an email from Sign A Rama regarding lettering at Station 2. Selectman Ives said that at some point he would like to talk about replacing the "Welcome to Loudon" sign it's rotting pretty severely. Chairman Krieger agreed saying that the Town of Loudon deserves a real nice sign. Selectman Ives thanked Constance Ives and Jamie Magoon for planting flowers around the sign.
- i. The Board received a letter from a resident regarding unmuffled events at NHMS.
- j. The Board received a City of Concord Planning Board Public Hearing Notice.
- k. The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

VI. The Board was reminded of the following.

- a. Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 6:30 pm is the NHDES Soucook River Public meeting.
- b. Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 1:15 pm is the NHMS TCP Meeting.

Chairman Krieger reminded everyone it is bike week, watch for bikes this week and all year long. Chairman Krieger thanked Selectmen Ives and Bowles for going to the high school and handing out the scholarships. Selectman Ives stated that he gave a little speech about the scholarship, how it came about and who endowed it. Selectman Bowles and Ives thanked Chairman Krieger for speaking to the Fire Department about the new chief.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 8:30 P.M. Second by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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