

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, June 15, 2004**

**Present: Selectman Maxfield, Kardaseski, and Bowles.**  
**Also present: Road Agent David Rice, and Fire Chief Jeff Burr.**

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

- I. Selectman Kardaseski moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, June 8, 2004 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
  
- II. The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.
  - a. Mr. Rice advised the Board the Highway crew was in the process of reclamation on Oak Hill Drive and a portion North Village Road. He said it looked like this would take place during the week of June 28<sup>th</sup> if all goes well. He stated Josiah Bartlett Road and Lower Ridge Road would be addressed as soon as Keyspan is finished with their work on Josiah Bartlett Road. This should be some time at the end of July or the beginning of August.
  - b. Mr. Rice stated the dirt roads are being taken care of as quickly as they can get to them and calcium mix will be placed to help with dust control.
  - c. Mr. Rice told the Board the State has advised him that the Town will now be responsible to replace the signs in the traffic "islands" in Town. Discussion ensued.
  
- III. The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.
  - a. Selectman Kardaseski discussed the approval for the fire alarm system for the Community Building. Chief Burr stated someone would be coming in to begin the work soon. Discussion ensued.
  
- IV. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
  - a. Chairman Maxfield stated that, although the assessing proposals and contracts were the first item on the correspondence list, he would like to take them under advisement and discuss them at the end of the meeting in an executive session. The Board agreed.
  - b. The Board reviewed a request for funds from LYAA regarding the irrigation system for the Staniels Road ball field as well as the equipment purchased out of the budget. The Board stated the irrigation system has already been approved. Discussion ensued regarding the budget figures.

- c. The Board reviewed a letter from Senator Judd Gregg regarding his support of the Volunteers of America application for affordable elderly housing.
  - d. The Board reviewed the 2004 NHIS/Town of Loudon Scholarship Awards list.
  - e. The Board received a letter from Mr. Mo Sampson proposing a warrant article for the March 2005 Town Meeting to change the Veteran's credit amount. The Board will discuss this at budget time.
  - f. Chairman Maxfield discussed the letter received from Comcast regarding cable issues in Loudon. Discussion ensued regarding cable issues.
  - g. The Board reviewed the May monthly report from ESMI.
  - h. The Board received weekly expenditure reports.
  - i. The Board received a notice from Property Liability Trust regarding possible changes in the program.
  - j. The Board received a copy of the Landfill Post-closure Monitoring report from the Louis Berger Group.
  - k. The Board received a regional impact notice from the Town of Deering regarding the replacement of telecommunications equipment.
  - l. The Board received the June Planning Board agenda as well as the June 9<sup>th</sup> sitewalk minutes.
  - m. Chairman Maxfield stated the Selectmen finished reviewing and signing the abatements for tax year 2003.
- V. The Board met with Colin Cabot and Julie Robinson of the Loudon Conservation Commission.
- a. Mr. Cabot stated the Town of Loudon has been approved for a grant from the Farm and Ranchlands Protection Program in the amount of \$163,500.00 and that LCHIP has promised \$160,000.00 to go towards the easement of the Brown family farm. Discussion ensued regarding the money in the Conservation Commission expendable fund, the Conservation Commission Capital Reserve Fund, and other grants available. Mr. Cabot explained the Town would be responsible for paying the balance due after all the grant monies have been expended. Discussion ensued regarding location, costs associated with monitoring the easement, who would be responsible for the monitoring of the easement, and that the Capital Reserve Fund is an expendable fund. The Board will review the document and once signed, will contact Mr. Cabot.
- VI. The Board continued their review of weekly correspondence.
- a. The Board discussed the grant for the Brown Family easement. Mr. Roy Merrill inquired about the monitoring of the conservation easement properties. Discussion ensued regarding the monitoring process and if the Conservation Commission members are still qualified to continue the monitoring process since it has become

complicated and more detailed. Selectman Kardaseski moved to authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Town of Loudon, the Cooperative agreement between the United States of America Commodity Credit Corporation and the Town of Loudon for the Farm and Ranchlands Protection Program. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. Selectman Kardaseski stated for the record that the Federal share is \$163,500.00 to purchase an easement on the Brown Family Farm, Tax Map 36 – 05, and 36 – 03 for approximately 104 acres. All in favor. Motion carried.

- b. Chairman Maxfield moved to enter into executive session at 8:10 PM to discuss the assessing bids to be considered. Seconded by Selectman Kardaseski. Roll call vote: Maxfield yes, Kardaseski yes, Bowles yes. Motion carried. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board came out of the executive session at 8:30 PM, and the results are that the Board discussed three bids for assessing for the Town of Loudon. The Board has a few questions of one proposal and the Chairman will follow-up on those questions and bring them back for next week's meeting.
- c. Selectman Kardaseski inquired if there had been any research for storage of Town records. Discussion ensued regarding costs and location of a storage container.
- d. Discussion ensued regarding the construction project for the Library. The Board will meet with the Library Trustees next week to discuss this issue.
- e. Discussion ensued regarding issues at the Boar's Tavern in the Fox Pond Plaza relative to signage, temporary tent, and flashing lights.

Selectman Kardaseski moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 PM. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

#### THE LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Roger A. Maxfield, Chairman

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Deborah A. Kardaseski, Selectman

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Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman