

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 29, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger. Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice and Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

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

- I. Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 22, 2014 as written. Seconded by Chairman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

- II. The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.
 - a. Mr. Rice said the paving of Oak Hill Road should be finished tomorrow. Chairman Ives asked Mr. Rice if they will be addressing the edges right away. Mr. Rice confirmed that they will.
 - b. Mr. Rice said they have Country Hill and Voted Roads just about ready. Chairman Ives said he noticed the brush cutting and ditching on those roads.
 - c. Mr. Rice said he looked at a truck today. He explained that he took Steve Bennett, the mechanic with him. They did find a couple of little things that the sellers are willing to take care of; the muffler and a small hole in the cab near the muffler. Mr. Rice said other than those two things he thinks the truck is in really good shape. He said it has 383,000 miles on it. Selectman Krieger asked how much was approved for a truck. Mr. Rice said \$30,000, this one is \$28,000. Mr. Rice said this is a 2005, it was a Penske truck so it has been maintained. Selectman Krieger said that an owner of Manchester Mack recently moved to town. He suggested that he be given a call to see if they have anything. Mr. Rice said this is the only one he found out of all the dealers in the area at the right price. Chairman Ives asked for Selectman Bowles opinion. Selectman Bowles said he'd like to spend less money but with recycling going the way it is they might have to start making longer trips and they do need a better truck. Chairman Ives suggested the cab be oiled if they get it. Mr. Rice said if they get it they will also have to paint the frame. Selectman Bowles made a motion to authorize Road Agent Rice to purchase the 2005 International 8600 Road Tractor from Rochester Truck in the amount of \$28,000, pending a phone call from Selectman Krieger to Manchester Mack inquiring about a deal that might be better for the town. If Manchester Mack doesn't have anything this truck will be purchased. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - d. Mr. Rice said he has a couple guys grading and everyone else is working on Oak Hill, Country Hill and Voted Roads.
 - e. Chairman Ives explained to Mr. Rice that the Board received a letter from NHDOT that they will be installing and upgrading signs on Pittsfield Road, Route 129, Shaker Road and Route 106.
 - f. Selectman Krieger thanked Mr. Rice for taking care of the issue on Loudon Ridge Road by Moore's farm.

- III. The Board met with Chief Bob Fiske.
 - a. Chief Fiske asked if there is any word on the road striping. Mr. Rice said he is waiting for them to call him back; he has signed a contract with them.

- b. Chief Fiske gave the Board a copy of the correspondence from the beach safety inspection. He said he has asked Mr. Rice to order signs based on the information received from the inspector, Mr. Flanagan. Chief Fiske said he relieved the lifeguard Thursday afternoon, met with him on Friday morning and told him he wouldn't be working Friday, Saturday & Sunday, Monday and Tuesday are his days off, and he would call him Tuesday night. Chief Fiske asked the Board for confirmation that they agree the lifeguard will be let go. The Board agreed. Chairman Ives asked if the town has to hire a lifeguard. Chief Fiske said no that's why the beach will be posted with specific signs recommended by Mr. Flanagan. Chief Fiske and the Board agreed that they will not hire a lifeguard and signs will be placed stating no lifeguard on duty.

IV. The Board met with Jim Adams who is running for Executive Council.

- a. Mr. Adams explained that he is a lifelong resident of NH, his mother and family lived in Loudon for years before they moved to Pittsfield, he has a lot of friends here. Mr. Adams said he is a U.S. Navy Veteran and the only person in the history of the Postal Service to go from letter carrier to Chief of Staff for 3 Postmaster Generals. Mr. Adams said he wants to get on the Council; listen to the people of Loudon and let them tell him what they need. Mr. Adams said he wants to be sure towns/cities come first.

V. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

- a. The Board received a petition asking the town to accept Veterans Drive. Chairman Ives said the road has been inspected by the engineer and road agent. The Board set a public hearing for Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 6:30 pm.
- b. The Board received a letter from NHDOT regarding the installation, relocation and upgrading of warning signs on Pittsfield Rd, Route 129, Shaker Rd and Route 106.
- c. The Board received a letter from Town Council regarding a Writ of Possession. Selectman Krieger asked that the town attorney have the sheriff serve the Writ of Possession.
- d. The Board received memo's from Chief Wright regarding the following:
 - Chief Wright explained that Villages at Loudon purchased an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). The Fire Department hosted a free AED class for the residents of the Village; 15-20 people attended the class. Organizations or Businesses interested in learning how to operate an AED should contact Lieutenant Reese at the Fire Department. The Board expressed their appreciation for the good job Chief Wright and his people are doing.
 - Chief Wright submitted information regarding COLA increases for on call members.
- e. The Board received an invitation to a party for Bob Butler to honor his longtime service on the Conservation Commission.
- f. The Board received the Highway Block Grant Aid estimates for July 1, 2014 thru June 30, 2015.
- g. The Board received an abutters notice from the Town of Gilford for construction of a wireless communications facility.
- h. The Board received a scholarship thank you note from Ronald Head.
- i. The Board received a memo from Brenda.
 - The Building Committee will meet Wednesday, August 13th at 4:00 pm.
 - The Scholarship Committee will meet Tuesday, August 5th at 5:00 pm.
 - Selectman Krieger will contact Iain Wilson.
 - Information will be forwarded to Mr. Tuson as requested.

- Chairman Ives will contact Mr. Turcotte regarding uniforms.
 - The Board discussed employees serving in the military that have to take days off from the job for training. The Board concluded that proper paperwork regarding the time off needs to be submitted to the office, employees do not have to use annual leave time to fulfill their full-time hours; this does not affect any benefits.
 - The Board will invite the Union Cemetery representatives to a meeting to discuss the process of the town taking the cemetery.
- j. The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.
- VI. Selectman Krieger stated that the Town of Pittsfield has hired Jeff Cain as the new Police Chief. He congratulates Chief Cain and feels the town made a good choice.
- VII. The Board received the following reminder: Tuesday, August 5 – 8, 2014, the appraiser Town Council has hired will meet with Donna White and Chief Fiske to inspect records and the property.
- VIII. Selectman Krieger asked that a copy of the UNH Highway training/class schedule go to Dave Rice and be made available for all the highway crew in case they are interested. Chairman Ives agreed that the town will pay for those classes that would benefit the town; sometimes that helps insurance rates.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 7:13 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Chairman

Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman