

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, August 28, 2012**

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger, and Selectman Ives.  
Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice and Fire Chief Dick Wright.

Chairman Bowles called the Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 21, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries.

- I. The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.
  - a. Mr. Rice advised the Board that a rock came out of the tailgate of one of the trucks and hit a windshield. Chairman Bowles asked if paperwork has been filled out, Mr. Rice said they are working on it, waiting for the police report. Selectman Ives asked if the tailgate was going to be repaired. Mr. Rice said they are going to fabricate a new tailgate because this one is bent and can't be straightened out.
  - b. Mr. Rice stated that they will be paving Bee Hole tomorrow. Chairman Bowles asked if the finish coat was going to be put down now. Mr. Rice said base now and final coat in the spring. Also he is hoping to get some sand mix out on Ricker Road while it is hot this week.
  - c. Mr. Rice said that Dennis Moore started the job on Batchelder Road today for Deb Rattee.
  - d. Selectman Krieger said that he has heard a lot of good comments about Loudon Ridge Road. Mr. Rice said they still have work to do on the edges.
  - e. Selectman Ives asked if they have seeded around the tennis courts yet. Mr. Rice said it they have not; they have been so busy with the roads.
  
- II. The Board met with Fire Chief Dick Wright.
  - a. Chief Wright said that the Fire Chief Search Committee has been meeting regularly. They have updated the job description and are working on the job posting. Chief Wright said they have scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, September 13, 3:30 – 5:30. Chief Wright invited the Selectmen to attend the meeting around 4:30 to see what the committee has put together and make sure it meets the Boards wishes. Chief Wright said they are hoping to get the job posted and applications back for the end of September. Chief Wright stated that he expects they will get quite a few applications.
  - b. Chief Wright verified that Station 2 will be used for the primary. Mr. Rice said that he is going to have Jim go up and asphalt a small ramp at the doors.
  - c. Chief Wright discussed the horrific crash a short time ago on Chichester road. He said it was a terrible accident however; it was exaggerated in the news when called a "fiery crash".
  - d. Robert Levan suggested that when the Chief's job is posted that it is advertised on the Local Government Center website. Chief Wright said they plan to do that as well as the Town website and at the NH Fire Academy.

- III. The Board began their review of correspondence.
- a. The Board received copies of the current expenditure report.
  - b. The Board received a copy of an email, letter and check regarding property taxes.
  - c. The Board received copies of RSA 41:14-a regarding the procedure to pursue the purchase of property. Chairman Bowles stated that they have received recommendation letters from the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission so they can move on to a public hearing. The Board decided on Wednesday, October 3, 2012 at 6:00 pm for the first public hearing. The second public hearing is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm.
  - d. The Board received a copy of the 2012 Utility Update. Chairman Bowles stated that he thinks Fairpoint will eventually win.
  - e. The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding the need for repairs to the ramp and back stairs at the town office building and re-scheduling the September 11<sup>th</sup> Selectmen's meeting and Board of Permit due to the election. The Board will ask Howard Gassett to fix the back stairs. The Board cancelled the regular Selectmen's meeting and re-scheduled the Board of Permit to September 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - f. The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding the "Memorial to Public Works Employees". The application to add Archie Page to the Memorial has been filled out and will be submitted. Chairman Bowles stated that have money in the Patriotic line of the budget if they choose to donate to the Memorial Fund. Chairman Bowles stated that Selectman Krieger made a good point in saying that the Town did lose an employee so it makes sense to give to this fund. Selectman Krieger also stated that Mr. Page still has a lot of family in Town. Selectman Krieger suggested donating \$100.00. Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives were in agreement with \$100.00 being taken out of the Patriotic line and donated to the Memorial Fund.
  - g. The Board received a letter from Irving; they would like to provide a quote for propane, heating oil and diesel. Chairman Bowles said they can send us a quote.
  - h. The Board received information regarding on-line mapping service from Cartographic's.
  - i. The Board received information regarding Pike Industries 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Customer Appreciation Golf Tournament.
  - j. The Board received a scholarship thank you card.
  - k. The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.
- IV. The Board recognized Robert Levan from the audience.
- a. Mr. Levan asked about the Utility Update comment. Chairman Bowles said that the state has decided that Fairpoint will not be taxed as a utility but as commercial. This involves a lot of money and Chairman Bowles said he wouldn't be surprised to see that decision reversed in the future.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

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Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

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Steven R. Ives, Selectman