

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2009**

**PRESENT: Selectmen Bowles, Maxfield, and Ives. Also present Road Agent Dave Rice, Fire Chief Jeff Burr, and Conservation Commission Chair Julie Robinson.**

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

- I. Selectman Maxfield moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 10, 2009 as presented. Second by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.
- II. Chairman Bowles noted for the record that one pistol permit was signed for approval.
- III. The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.
  - a. Mr. Rice said he had one driveway permit he wanted to discuss. The driveway is located on Thistle Hill Road by the cul-de-sac. Mr. Rice said he would like Chairman Bowles to look at the driveway location and work that has been done along the edges of the driveway. Chairman Bowles advised Mr. Rice to wait until he can look at the driveway before he signs off on the approval.
  - b. Mr. Rice advised the board he needed to change another bearing on the screener. Mr. Rice said as soon as the bearing is received it should only take about a day and a half to get it installed.
  - c. Selectman Ives asked Chairman Bowles about the fuel storage tank the Board would like to see installed by the Safety Building for diesel for the fire trucks. The Board asked Chief Burr to think about where he would place a tank at the Safety Building. Mr. Rice said he would like to replace the pump on the tank he has at the Highway Garage.
- IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.
  - a. Chief Burr said the repairs to the paving at the back of the Safety Building have been completed and the water now runs away from the entrance. Mr. Rice recommended sealing this area in the spring.
  - b. Chief Burr said the Highway Crew assisted the department with insulating the hydrant at the Village Dam. Hopefully this will alleviate the freezing problems that have been encountered in past winters. Selectman Maxfield asked about placing a barrier at the edge of the guardrail at the dam.
- V. The Board met with Conservation Commission Chair Julie Robinson.
  - a. Mrs. Robinson stated she wanted to discuss the monitoring of conservation land being done by intern Robert Buzzell. She said he is doing a great job and the Commission would like to expend an additional \$1,500 to complete this project, including the town owned lands. The Board approved this request.
- VI. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
  - a. The Board noted receipt of an invoice from Fifield Building Restoration and Relocation for work completed at the Town Hall. Chairman Bowles will follow up on funds available for payment of this invoice.

- b. The Board received a copy of the Highway Block Grant payment in the amount of \$43, 614.77.
- c. The Board received a memo from Bonnie Theriault confirming the Concord Post Office has approved the street name for the Herm Fortier proposed subdivision road off Oak Hill Road as Fieldview Lane. Selectman Maxfield moved to approve Hermel Fortier subdivision road name to be Fieldview Lane. Second by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.
- d. The Board received a request from Michael Harris, which he titled a Freedom of Information Act request, regarding relations between town officials' decisions and NH Motor Speedway in regards to police and fire protection coverage during the 2009 racing season. The Board concurred all discussions on this subject were included in the minutes of the Selectmen's Meetings and have been published in the *Loudon Ledger*. Chairman Bowles said the track was billed for the police and fire protection services and the track has paid the bills. The Selectmen will send Mr. Harris a letter to this effect. Chairman Bowles noted Mr. Harris requested this letter not be included in the correspondence portion of the meeting, but this is how the Board reviews all letters and written materials received.
- e. The Board received the Merrimack Valley School District newsletters. Selectman Maxfield noted the district is going to institute a new International Baccalaureate program, an international program which is intended to get kindergarten through high school students to ask more questions.
- f. The Board received a request from Pearl Aznive for the scholarship awards received by her daughter and son to be paid directly to the student loan company. The Board agreed to this request.
- g. The Board reviewed information regarding a news story that appeared on WMUR on City of Keene's woodstove trade out program. Melanie Kiley submitted this article and asked if Loudon is participating in this program. Chairman Bowles said the Board will follow up on the criteria to participate in the program.
- h. The Board received copies of the September Agricultural Commission meeting minutes.
- i. The Board reviewed a copy of a letter from the Professional Fire Fighters of NH regarding their litigation against the Local Government Center.
- j. The Board received a copy of the storm water and erosion control plan being submitted to DES by Rob and Judy Hamilton on Berry Road. This plan was requested by Department of Environmental Services.
- k. Selectman Ives moved to approve the hiring of Dustin J. Bowles to the position of part time transfer station attendant at the rate of \$11.50 per hour. Second by Selectman Maxfield. Selectman Ives noted that Dustin has been volunteering at the transfer station, but due to workers compensation regulations the Board felt he should be appointed to the position to replace Ivan Stevens. Mr. Stevens has indicated his desire to retire from the position. Selectman Ives said the hourly rate established for this position is based on earnings history and number of hours worked. Selectman Maxfield asked how many hours would be involved with the position. Dustin said this is an on call

position, the same as Mr. Stevens was doing. Call for a vote: Selectman Ives yes, Selectman Maxfield yes. Majority vote. Motion carried. Selectman Ives noted for the record that a part time employee can serve as selectman.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:15 P.M. Second by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Dustin J. Bowles, *Chairman*

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Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman

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Steven R. Ives, Selectman