

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 11, 2012

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

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

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 4, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Ives moved to accept the Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 4, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

- I. Chairman Bowles stated for the record that he signed four pistol permits.
- II. Chairman Bowles stated for the record that normally this would be Board of Permit but it was canceled because there was nothing on the agenda.
- III. The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.
 - a. Mr. Rice stated that they will be finishing the ditching on Bumfagon Road this week.
 - b. Mr. Rice stated that they are going to redo a turnaround on Berry Road for turning around during plowing. Selectman Ives asked Mr. Rice to get something in writing from the property owner saying we can use the turnaround since it is on his property.
 - c. Selectman Ives said he got a complaint from someone on Storrs Drive that said the road was iced up the other day. Mr. Rice said they got there as soon as they could.
 - d. Chairman Bowles reminded Dave that the Board would meet with him and Steve Bennett on Friday to go over their budget.
- IV. The Board began their review of correspondence.
 - a. The Board received an email from Local Government Center regarding the surplus return. The Board will send a letter to LGC asking that the Towns surplus be returned by check rather than wait for a credit on a future invoice.
 - b. The Board received a memo from Jean regarding the insurance claim for the compactor at the Transfer Station.
 - c. The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding Budget Hearings and the Annual Town report. The first budget hearing will be scheduled for January 22, 2013, the second, if needed, will be Wednesday, February 6, 2013.
 - d. The Board received the budget review meeting schedule from Brenda.
 - e. The Board received a tax rate chart to be published in Ledger.
 - f. The Board received an account history report for Town Cemeteries. The cemeteries went out to bid last year. Mr. St. Laurent has done it for a couple of years, there are no complaints with his work; he said his price for next year will be the same as this year. The Board will not go out to bid this year and will have Mr. St. Laurent continue to maintain the cemeteries.

- g. The Board received a copy of the Assessment due to the Merrimack Valley School District as a result of the approved tax rate calculation. The monthly payment due to the school district from the town went from \$675,292.27 to \$702,566.32.
 - h. The Board received a letter from the Conservation Commission regarding the LaPadula property. They recommend giving his land back. The Board will hold Public Hearings on January 2, 2013 and January 15, 2013 to consider giving the land back to Mr. LaPadula. If the Board decides to give the land back the Planning Board can hold a hearing to consider revoking the subdivision.
 - i. The Board received a memo from Dave Wiley regarding the Valuation Report for the Highway Garage. Chairman Bowles explained that the insurance company recently decreased the replacement cost of the garage; he asked for an explanation as to how LGC arrived at the amount.
 - j. The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding correspondence and copies. Chairman Bowles explained that there are a lot of copies, a lot of paper that seems to be wasted; he is looking for ways to cut that down.
 - k. The Board received a request from CASA to be included in the town budget. The Board decided not to include them in the budget this year.
 - l. The Board received a copy of a letter to the editor; it was dropped off to the Board anonymously.
 - m. Miscellaneous correspondence.
- V. The Board received a couple of reminders.
- a. The Board will meet with Mr. Harris & Mr. Wiley on Thursday, Dec. 13th at 4:00 pm.
 - b. Monday, December 17th at 6:00 pm is the MVSD Finance Committee Meeting.
 - c. Saturday, December 22nd 8:30 am, Holiday Food Baskets will be picked up from the Armory and distributed to residents in Town.
- VI. Selectman Krieger said he reviewed the MRI report. He noticed some corrections that need to be made. Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives agreed that Selectman Krieger should call to discuss the corrections and the bill.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 PM. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman