



Minutes
Selectman Workshop
Tuesday, July 8, 2014

- I. Welcome Selectman Lydia Goetze
The first meeting for newly elected Ms. Goetze to the Select Board was officially welcomed by Chairman Dan Norwood.
 - II. Call to Order/Roll Call
The workshop meeting was opened by Chairman Norwood at 5:30PM. In attendance with the Chairman included George Jellison, Thomas Benson, Lydia Goetze and Town Manager Don Lagrange. David Mincton was not present.
 - III. Main Street Project Summary
Wm Olver and Annaleis Hafford of Olver Engineering were in attendance to discuss issues with the Main Street project. Also attending was the State regional engineer John Devin. Members of the public were concerned with flagging issues causing some delays in traffic as well as working late into the evening to complete the job as required
A construction meeting was suggested to be scheduled prior to the fall start of constructions as well as a workshop for the public to attend. Mr. Olver suggested at this meeting all issues in question should be discussed. A question posed to John Devin of the State DOT concerned their future liability regarding the resurfacing of Main Street. Mr. Devin acknowledged the State to be responsible for future surface maintenance after the completion of the construction.
 - IV. Adjourn Workshop
The workshop was adjourned at 6:28PM and the Selectmen continued directly to the regularly scheduled meeting with Chairman Norwood opening meeting at 6:30 PM.
- I. Call to Order/Roll Call:
In attendance with the Chairman included George Jellison, Thomas Benson, Lydia Goetze and Town Manager Don Lagrange. David Mincton was not present.
 - II. Visitors to be heard not on the agenda
There were no visitors to be heard
 - III. Approval of Minutes: June 24, 2014
George Jellison moved to accept the minutes of June 24, 2014. It was seconded by Thomas Benson and voted in favor 3/0/1 with Ms. Goetze abstaining.
 - IV. Manager's Report
~ Last year, we replaced a typical street light on the end of Manset Pier with a night sky friendly unit. Another bright street light at the beginning of the pier is owned by Emera and we will be requesting they replace with a night sky friendly light. Also another issue is the spot light at Chris's pond which is also owned by Emera. Both units have a direct impact to surrounding residences.

~ Landscaping will be planting rosebushes at the end of Cable Crossing for total of (8) bushes. They will also add mulch to clean up the appearance of the area. This is one of very few area of reasonable public access to the water front. Last year, we asked Emera to move their 4' x 8' cable crossing sign to the front of the pucker brush and Fairpoint was asked to remove the utility pole at the end of the road, the combination of which gave everyone a clear, unobstructive vista

~ Scotty has finished grading and seeding the area around Goog's Pond. Once the grass is stable, picnic tables will be placed in that area.

~ We received a quote from Robinson Insurance for the municipality to compete with MMA. The price was not significant to make a change (\$2,000) to change from the resources at our disposal with the MMA, where we are shareholders of an organization that specializes in municipal insurance. The concern was the initial approval at a lower rate from a commercial carrier with rapid future increases. MMA has remained consistent with the legal backing of State Statutes to maximize our protection. A significant quote with a decrease of 10-15% (\$6-8,000) may have made the change in routine more favorable, eliminating our dependence and access to the programs offered by MMA. Also, the skepticism of the need of MMA in the future was a factor had the town changed to a commercial package with future increasing rates.

V. Old Business:

Kristen Hutchins presented the revised special events liquor license requirements as it would pertain to Oktoberfest and Brewer's providing their own pourers as the fest. Each Brewer will be required to file section 3 of the application for the event. Kristen was providing info in advance of the actual event.

VI. New Business:

a. Credit Cards

Tabbatha presented details regarding the accepting of credit cards through the Trio program integrated with credit vendors. The service charge will be the responsibility of the user at a rate of 2.5%. Thomas Benson moved to accept credit cards for any payments due to the Town, seconded by George Jellison. It was voted in favor 4/0/0.

b. Cable Crossing

The Town Manager requested funds from the CIP Roads line item to resurface Cable Crossing. The current road has been washed out with no gravel base to be graded. Thomas Benson moved to take out of CIP #1-221-19 the sum of \$7,000 for this road maintenance. It was seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 4/0/0.

c. Liaison Appointments

The following Selectmen volunteered as liaison to the various committees:

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| 1) | Planning Board: 1 st & 3 rd Thursday, | Thomas Benson |
| 2) | Warrant Committee: Feb & March, | David Minton |
| 3) | Harbor Committee: 2 nd Monday, | Lydia Goetze |
| 4) | Shellfish Committee: 2 nd Monday, | George Jellison |
| 5) | Conservation: Called by Chrnm, | David Minton |
| 6) | Board of Appeals: 2 nd Wed, | George Jellison |

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| 7) | Comp Plan Implementation, By Chair | George Jellison |
| 8) | Waste Prevention Comm: 1 st Wed | Thomas Benson |
| 9) | Infrastructure Comm: | Benson and Norwood |
| 10) | Library | Lydia Goetze |

d. Mil Rate/Tax Commitment

The Town Manager presented the quarterly assessors report and advised the tax commitment for FY14/15 has been completed. Due to the decrease in County appropriation, Municipal appropriation and MDIRSS and increase of valuation by \$3,560,980, even though there was an increase in the Pemetic School budget, increase in the overlay line item and a decrease in revenue, the mil rate for the next tax year will not increase and will remain at the \$12.86/M as it was for the previous year. The tax bills should be sent out by Wednesday of this week.

e. Town Clerk Appointments

Thomas Benson moved to affirm the Town Clerk appointments of Tabbetha Newenham and Nelia Lake as Deputy Clerks for the 14/15 year term to be effective until June 30, 2015. Seconded by George Jellison and voted in favor 4/0/0.

f. MMA Legislative Policy Committee Ballot

A motion was made by Lydia Goetze to nominate Gary Fortier of Ellsworth and James Schatz of Blue Hill to the MMA Legislative Policy Committee. Seconded by Thomas Benson and voted in favor 4/0/0.

VII. Other Business

There was no other business presented.

VIII. Accept & Sign Warrants:

Thomas Benson moved to accept the following warrants, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 4/0/0.

General Fund Warrants, **FY13-14: 180, 185, 186**
 General Fund Warrants, **FY 14/15: 1, 4**
 Sewer **FY13-14: 184, 187**
 Sewer **FY 14/15: 3**
 Water **FY2014: 13, 14**
 Special Projects **FY 13/14: 183**
 Special Projects **FY 14/15: 5, 6, 7**
 School **FY13-14: 182**
 School, **FY 14/15: 2**

IX. Next Meeting Date:

Chairman Norwood established a warrant only meeting to be scheduled on July 22, 2014. The next full regular Selectmen meeting will be held on August 12, 2014.

X. Adjourn Selectmen Meeting

It was moved by Thomas Benson to adjourn meeting at 7:35 PM, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 4/0/0