



## Selectmen's Meeting Summary July 7, 2010

Selectman Ken Ross-Raymond, Chair	Present
Selectman Joe Laycox	Present
Selectwoman Karen Sheldon	Present
Administrative Assistant Margaret Warren	Present
Office Assistant Kathie Downes	Present

Visitors: Shirley Johnson, Jerry Lordon, Melvin Bowne, Gayle Landry, Dora Rapalyea, Rick Sheldon, Sandy Miller, Bill MacDuffie, Sr., Ralph Downes, Marsha Murphy, Joe Landry, Al Romano, Cindy Romano, Ed Sawyer, Mike Dipre, Marlena Dipre, Paul Laraia, Joe Zampino, Ellen Zampino, Judy Hoekle, Bob Irving, Deb Phillips, Neil Chadwick.

Chairman Ross-Raymond called meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

### **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

- Review and Approve Minutes of last meeting. BOS public meeting and non-public session summaries for 6/19/10 reviewed. Selectwoman abstained from voting as she wasn't present at the 6/19/10 meetings. **Selectman Laycox made a motion to accept the 6/19/10 meeting summaries, Selectman Ross-Raymond seconded. Vote in the affirmative.**
- Board reviewed current Accounts Payable & Payroll registers.

**Opening Pingree Bridge Bids** – two proposals received – one from David Borden, Salisbury landowner - \$1 and Peter Ladd, Warner - \$510. No decision will be made on these proposals until Town meets with DOT and DHR on conditions and covenants that need to be met.

**Explorers – Ralph Downes:** OHD booth – looking for volunteers to sit for balloon dunking. New explorer post – 14 young men – doing great job. Doing fund raising – booth at OHD – French fries – popcorn. Also hopes to have a balloon pop machine and would like to ask the town officials and department heads to give ½ hour of time to sit in the booth. All three selectmen agreed to participate as well as chief of police and Jerry Lordon.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter - Safety Committee Update:**

- Outside lights at Safety Bldg: - Fire Chief getting bids - for rear and front side – this was in 2010 budget.
- Camera Equipment – to be installed: Sgt Shapiro will be installing with fire fighting personnel. He will install during duty shift. Cameras to help protect town property. Selectwoman Sheldon asked that after installed the BOS be shown how they work.
- Recreation Committee are looking into fencing at Ball field – Chairman Holmes will be discussing with BOS at July 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.
- Grant for safety equipment– safety improvement program – Primex. Can get help with vest for police sgt. AA Warren will get inform from Chief Jones. Chief Jones wished to recognize Margaret for taking initiative.

**7:00 PM – Special Detail – Town Ordinance Public Hearing:** Chairman Ross-Raymond opened public hearing for discussion of proposed special detail town ordinance. Ross-Raymond explained that this ordinance is being requested by Chief Jones in the interest of public safety with respect to the public ways of travel in and through the Town of Salisbury. General discussion followed with the public in attendance and town officials. The following being issues that were brought forward with regards to this proposed ordinance:

- Is hiring independent flagging contractors an option instead of the ordinance.
- Why is this needed. Other local towns use flaggers, signage not policemen. By proposing this taking away jobs from others.
- I think it is like trying to swat fly with shotgun. If citizens feel situation is dangerous – present it to selectmen.
- Ordinance is utilizing town part time police force –instead have ordinance that says company has to provide.
- At Pingree Bridge flagman not paying attention – or logging truck drivers ignore them – flagman can't make them go other way.
- At Pingree Bridge police may or may not be answer – but this ordinance is not the answer – town officials need to address that as a separate issue from this ordinance.
- What is cost of flagger vs. special detail.
- Why not have stop lights for construction projects.
- This would have drastic affect on town highway budget – everything road agent does impedes the flow of traffic.
- Town has personnel to analyze the situation – Road Agent, Police and BOS look at problem – figure out effective solution.
- State Roads can't be under this ordinance – DOT works under other guidelines
- Utilities should have been notified of this public hearing so they could share concerns – 90% of time flagman – sufficient.
- Reading proposed ordinance and listening to chief – who states he has authority under RSA 105:9 III (that he handed out to participants) so he can provide a special detail without this ordinance.
- Issue re Pingree Bridge – perhaps need to use stop lights. They work well for state.
- Have faith in BOS and police that any issues can be resolved. No problem with road agent doing work. When you try to write something it gets to confusing.

With no further comments regarding the proposed ordinance – public hearing closed by Chairman Ross-Raymond.

**Motion made by Selectman Laycox not to pass the proposed ordinance; Selectwoman Sheldon seconded. All voted in favor.**

Due to the concerns brought out during the public hearing regarding the issue of public safety concerns at the Pingree Bridge Construction site more general discussion ensued. Selectman Ross-Raymond noted that there is a lot of equipment moving into a small area and the Board is trying to address all concerns as quickly and efficiently as possible. Logging operations have been contacted requesting they use an alternate route. Selectmen motioned and adopted a no thru trucking policy whereby Road Agent has the authority post signs as necessary. Signs will be ordered and put in place on West Salisbury Road and Mill Road as soon as possible. Marlana Dipre did acknowledge that on a positive note the construction crew are friendly, polite and

working. All other issues concerning the flagmen and/or police detail work will be reviewed with Beck and Bellucci construction manager, selectmen and police chief.

### **Departments:**

#### **Police Chief Jones – Monthly Update**

- June Monthly Report: Chief Jones noted police responded to 48 service calls in June. Chief Jones turned over a check for \$75.50 for the general fund proceeds from law enforcement regional auction. He also noted that the speed traffic enforcement trailer has been vandalized and an investigation has been initiated. Taken out of service until it can be repaired. Chief has been working on a collaborative effort with Army Corps of Engineers, Webster police department and Salisbury Fire Chief with respect to funding extra law and fire enforcement patrols in the flood plains of Salisbury. Sgt Shapiro recently qualified with his duty weapon as per NHPS&TC requirements and Chief will attend updated training on felony level blood draw on 7/13/10. Kathleen Doyle has agreed to be Salisbury's citizen liaison for the Concord Regional Crimeline Program.
- An open letter to residents of Salisbury from the Chief Jones was sent to Merrimack Valley Voice and The Salisbury Grapevine and Chief Jones read the letter tonight. (letter and monthly report attached to original meeting summary.)
- Ride Along Policy – tabled until first meeting in August.

#### **Road Agent MacDuffie – Monthly Update:**

Nothing new – few complaints about dust.

Selectman Ross-Raymond thanked Bill for the work on the ring road at transfer station – looks great.

**Dick Fisher – Reference Building Permit – Rose Property:** Mr. Fisher in to discuss the request that letters be sent to abutters re: permission utilize the right of way to access the Rose property for a hunting preserve. Sent letters to four abutters – two are in opposition. They have obtained permission from other land owners to get access through a right of way on their land. The question is will they now be allowed to get a building permit.

General discussion of exactly where the right of way would be located – on Griffin and Berwick property. Also a letter of endorsement from Mike Lynch from Wildlife Federation. It was asked the anticipated increase in traffic – and Mr. Fisher responded maybe 5 cars a day unless there is a special shoot and this could bring 30 a day. This would be a private reserve and members can shoot birds year round. Might also look into leasing area to youth programs. Question was asked what would be number of membership. Mr. Fisher indicated not sure – but could probably sign up 60 members immediately. After reviewing that the property is more than 600 feet from Class V road – requirement for liability waiver. Discussion ensued that they are looking for a driveway permit not a right of way and the Board referred them to Planning Board.

#### **Old Business:**

- Pingree Bridge Update: This week laying down temporary bridge – old bridge to be moved to Franklin by 8/5.
- SOP – Personnel Revised and updated policy: Selectmen have reviewed. **Selectman Laycox motioned to approve revised policy; Selectwoman seconded. All voted in favor.**

**New Business:**

- Selectman Ross-Raymond noted that the budget committee completed their review of staff salaries and dissolved the subcommittee. Selectman Ross-Raymond suggested that Board could work on a wage chart as a tool for the BOS use going forward. Office staff will work on getting this put together for selectmen to review the end of August.

**Other:** All business that shall legally come before the Board  
Non-Public Session re: hardship abatement & anonymous letter. **Chairman Ross-Raymond motioned to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) - reputation . Roll call taken and all voted to go into non-public session at -8:25 PM.**

Returned to public session at 9:35 PM.

**Chairman Ross-Raymond announced that the Board motioned to seal the nonpublic session meeting summary per RSA91-A:3, III – reputation and hardship abatement.**

**Selectman Laycox made motion to adjourn at -9:40PM; Selectwoman Sheldon seconded. All voted in favor.**

Respectively submitted:  
Kathie Downes, Municipal Office Assistant

Meeting Summary reviewed and accepted at the July 21, 2010 Meeting.

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Selectmen, Town of Salisbury