



Selectmen's Meeting Summary November 7, 2012

Selectman Ken Ross-Raymond, Chair	Present
Selectwoman Karen Sheldon	Present
Selectman Pete Ballou	Present
Town Administrator Margaret Warren	Present
Administrative Assistant Kathie Downes	Present

Visitors: see sign in sheet attached with original summary on file.

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

REGULAR BUSINESS:

- Review and Approve Minutes of last meeting
 - October 17th, 2012 – **Selectman Ballou motioned to accept the public summary as written, Selectwoman Sheldon seconded. Vote in affirmative.**
- Review Accounts Payable & Payroll registers: **Select board motioned and voted to accept.**

Cindy Romano resident on Loverin Hill Road in to discuss Heath Road (Class VI road) and some concerns regarding use/maintenance of this Class VI Road. Chuck Rose has done some work on the road with large stones – which makes it difficult for horses and people to walk on the road. Selectman Ross-Raymond noted that phone contact has been initiated with message for Mr. Rose to contact the office. TA Warren will follow up with a letter reminding him that before any road maintenance on Class VI he must consult with Board of Selectmen.

Departments:

- Road Agent MacDuffie – Monthly Update: First part of Center Road project has been completed. Some problems with beavers on New Road and Greenough Pond – which will be addressed. Fire Department was very helpful during the storm (hurricane Sandy) keeping roads clear of downed trees and brush. Selectmen thanked MacDuffie for his work during the storm as well. Selectman Ballou reminded MacDuffie the dead tree between town hall and historical museum still needs to be taken down.
- Police log – Selectman Ross-Raymond noted the number of police calls for service as reported by NH State Police for October is a total of 28 calls. The specific data on each service call is available at the selectmen office. Selectman Ross-Raymond noted that SP Sgt. Ferry called and checked to ask about any aftermath of storm.

Old Business:

- Meeting Updates/Reminders
 - Budget Committee w/ Dept Heads – November 19th : AA Downes noted that reminder notices will be sent to Budget Committee with the agenda tomorrow. Department Heads will also receive a reminder notice of meeting date.

- Planning Board – met 11/5/12. Proposed 2012 CIP chart was discussed and draft report approved and submitted tonight to Selectmen (copy will be filed with original meeting summary). CPG Grant – PB with Consultant Jack Mettee and schedule was set for grant meetings. Selectman Ross-Raymond noted (to PB Chairman Schmidl) that selectmen would like PB during the grant process to look at the home occupations section to get clarity.
- Education Committee – met 11/1/12 – discussed letter sent to school district looking for cost reductions. Also put letter in lifelines to ask citizens to bring issues to the Committee. Committee is also looking at process re: how school board members are elected and at transportation issues. The Committee is also reaching out to the other towns in the district to find ways to get tax relief.
- Selectman Ballou mentioned that the Ice Skating rink due to be delivered Friday. Also Board still needs to address bathroom renovations at town hall.
- Shared Services Joint Towns – 11/29/12 in Salisbury at Safety Complex – 6:30 PM.

New Business:

- Tax Bills Sent – due 12/12/12 – new tax rate is \$24.15 up \$5.28. Town - \$4.32 up by .97; School-local - \$14.14 up by \$3.49; School-State - \$2.79 up by .40 and County - \$2.90 up by .42. General questions from visitors:
 - How school bases their rates re town assessments? – Selectman Ross-Raymond noted that town assessments are part of formula used by schools.
 - What happens if Town refuses to pay school share because it is too high? Town is responsible to pay its share.
- Applications for 2012 Holiday Baskets for Christmas are being put together. AA Downes is asking Selectmen help by picking up baskets in Boscawen again – Saturday December 22nd.
- Sunapee VNA – are donating 2 thanksgiving baskets to Salisbury and needy families have been selected.
- TA Warren discussed date for work session to prepare for 2013 administrative portion of budget preparation. Warrant Articles being considered for police department need to be finalized as well for Selectmen presentation to Budget Committee in December. Work session will be November 15th at 1:30 PM.

Public Comments:

- Bill MacDuffie: if town ends up selling police vehicles – can we have Warrant Article to have money remaining from 2012 budget as well as money from the sale put into Police CRF for future needs.
- Sandy Miller: How much of 2012 police budget has been spent? \$3,200 (*dispatch, phone, lights*) leaving about \$38,000.
- Al Romano: Asked if there will be any surplus from the 2012 budget. *At this time it would appear that there will be some left that will go into general fund.* He also asked about have the town assessment information available electronically. *Board will be looking at a warrant article – this was suggested previously and WA was voted down by the town.*

Other: All business that shall legally come before the Board
NEXT MEETING: November 21st, 2012

Selectwoman Sheldon made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 PM; Selectman Ballou seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathie Downes, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Summary reviewed and accepted at the November 21, 2012 Meeting.

Selectmen, Town of Salisbury