



Selectmen's Meeting Summary February 15 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.

- Review and Approve Minutes of last meeting
 - February 1, 2012 - **Selectman Ballou motioned to accept the meeting summary as written, Selectwoman Sheldon seconded. Vote in affirmative.**
- Review Accounts Payable & Payroll registers: **Select board motioned and voted to accept.**

Dan & Stuart McKenzie – Timber Tax: They had filed intent to cut in 2010. However, did not submit final paperwork of what was actually cut. Intent stated 15,000 ft. and Dan McKenzie noted they cut about 13,000 ft. Selectman Ross-Raymond explained that under the RSA if final paperwork stating what was harvested is not received – the town estimates the tax and adds doom age by doubling the tax. This occurred with two intents his and another one. Mr. McKenzie did state it was his error for not getting paperwork back to the Town – but was wondering if the doom age amount could be applied towards his property tax amount still due since that is why he was cutting the lumber in the first place. Although the selectmen understood his circumstances, they stated they must follow the RSA for all otherwise they would be setting a precedent. Selectwoman Sheldon thanked Mr. McKenzie for his honesty about the issue.

Department Heads:

Fire Chief Gilman – monthly update

Selectmen commented on how much they enjoyed the Recognition Dinner and Awards ceremony last Saturday night. Chief Gilman stated the committee was in charge of the event, putting a lot of time and effort which certainly paid off. Selectwoman Sheldon stated she was sorry she missed the event – but had a medical issue that prevented her from attending. Town Administrator mentioned that there are pictures on Facebook.

- Chief related the year to date report (January – today): Department has responded to 15 calls - 10 EMS; 3 mutual aid; and 2 fires.
- Chief also noted he is in the beginning stages with Penacook Rescue to have a contract for a flat rate for the year for ambulance coverage as needed. Penacook Rescue will need to bring the issue to Boscawen town meeting.

- Chief Gilman noted that the surveillance cameras donated were never installed – outdated and obsolete. He would like to look at the newer wireless type which are reasonable in cost and would give the building good coverage. Selectmen asked the Chief to look into the cost of such a system.
- The cost of Converting the Tahoe from police to fire vehicle from Valley Transportation is \$3500 – (removing police striping, reprogram radio, lighting). The use of this vehicle would be for responses to calls, going to meetings, trainings, etc. Selectmen stated they would review the estimate and have more discussion at subsequent meeting before a decision is made.

Town Meeting Preparation:

- NHLWV – Since there are no contested races they will not be sponsoring Candidates Night this year. In place of the usual meet the Candidates session, Selectmen will invite the candidates to their March 7th – BOS meet for any questions/discussion they and/or visitors may have.
- Selectmen thanked AA Downes , TA Warren and Bookkeeper Herbert for all their hard work getting the Town Report ready. AA Downes stated it has been sent to Printer - 2/13/12 . AA Downes expects the proof tomorrow and will get back to Printer hopefully Friday.
- Town Election – Opens 1 PM - Sample of ballot is posted and Selectmen reminded that their presence is a must.
- All set for evening meal
- Business Meeting begins at 7:30 PM
- Fire/Rescue 2011 in Pictures video – Kathie suggests having a laptop set up in corner of hall so anyone wanting to see it may. Town Moderator has no problem with that.
- Town Meeting Info Book – Town Administrator and AA are working on this.
- March 7th – Moderator and Town Clerk will be in to discuss town warrant.

Old Business:

- Meeting Reminders/Updates
 - Planning Board - 2/6 – public hearing held re changes to the subdivision regulations and application and a conceptual subdivision was discussed.
 - Education Commission - 2/2 – discussion about IB – Sandy Davis Principal – helpful in answering questions – a lot of questions and info to review. Education Committee is quite active – doing research. Selectman Ross-Raymond noted he has been invited to a legislative subcommittee meeting at 9 AM Friday re: IB & moving children to another school and also invited to the Loudon Selectmen meeting – next Tuesday at 7 PM. All the selectmen plan to attend these meetings.
 - Budget PH – 2/9 – the budget committee voted to decrease police budget by \$10,000 in labor line. Difference of \$10,500 between Selectmen Budget and Budget Committee Budget.
 - Currier & Ives By-Way – 2/13 – was same night as school board meeting – Kathleen Doyle did attend. Another meeting scheduled for next week.
 - ZBA – 2/14 – heard application for special exception – for apartment over business building and it was denied. Talked very briefly about boards reviewing ordinances for updates – bldg code has definition but zoning does not. Planning Board will review the issues and make

recommendation to Zoning Board – any change would then go before a town meeting. Question was asked by David Merwin if the owners will have to put the structure back to original state. Selectmen noted that the ZBA will do a Notice of Decision; and Selectmen will work with Building Inspector regarding what is still needed.

- Selectman Ross-Raymond stated that he has spoken with DOT who stated they expect work to begin on 127 in Salisbury between Franklin and Rte. 4 this spring – although there is limited funds available.
- Senate Districts - SB 201 has passed and adopted with amendment by Senate and sent to House Special Committee on Redistricting. It should be noted that there will be NO CHANGE in Senator until after the November 2012 elections. Bill states: “The changes in state senate districts established by this act shall not affect constituencies or terms of office of senators presently in office. The state senate districts established by this act shall be in effect for the purpose of electing senators at the 2012 state general election.” Therefore we will wait to see who is our elected Senator is in November.

New Business:

- Posting for Conservation Commission Expiring Terms. AA Downes gave BOS draft of posting to review for the two positions expiring in April. Both incumbents are still interested in serving and the positions will be posted looking for others interested in serving.

Public Comments:

- **Sandy Miller:** regarding welfare category – is a bill ever sent out for amount of money they owe. Lien is put on property owned.

Other: All business that shall legally come before the Board

Selectman Ballou made motion to adjourn at 7:25 PM; Selectwoman Sheldon seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathie Downes
Administrative Assistant

Meeting Summary reviewed and accepted at the March 7, 2012 Meeting.

Selectmen, Town of Salisbury