

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

January 31, 2000

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairperson Susan Clay.

### PRESENT:

Susan Clay- Chairperson  
Gordon Carlstrom- Selectman  
Lois Briere- Selectman  
Burton Reynolds- Town Administrator

### PUBLIC COMMENT

none

### APPOINTMENTS

Lee Nyquist- Town Moderator

Went over a number of points relating to our first Deliberative Session

- 1) Takes the place of Town Meeting except no final vote is taken other than to amend articles. Voting happens on the 2nd Tuesday in March along with Town Officers.
- 2) Zoning articles cannot be discussed.
- 3) Except for zoning articles, all others can be amended
- 4) Wants Selectmen to go through operating budget outlining the major changes
- 5) 200 hand-outs are to be made available and those should include: a copy of the budget, a copy of the warrant articles, and an explanation sheet approved by Lee
- 6) Lee asked that the explanation sheet be neutral and have a note indicating it was provided by the Office of Selectmen for informational purposes, not to advocate
- 7) Will need ballot clerks because secret ballots are allowed. Will also need someone to count hands in case a voice vote is in question.

### Forestry Committee Applicants

There is currently one opening on the committee but there will be another soon. They would also like an alternate or two. Three people completed applications and were in attendance.

Kim DiPietro: on PWA, rides horses, has the time and enthusiasm, will show-up for the meetings, and will be active.

Robert Fox: new to Town and this is a way of getting involved, has a background in environmental issues, is a farm organization member.

Roger Noonan: works in the survey field so has a lot of contact with land use and forestry issues.

The Board is to review the applications and then make their decision.

### MINUTES

The minutes of January 10, 2000 were approved with minor changes.

## OLD BUSINESS

- 1) The bids for Tucker Mill road were opened. Four were received. No lowest bidder was identified because all gave approximate costs for the categories of work identified on the bid sheet but then supplemented that with unit prices for gravel, stone, etc. The Road Agent and Town Administrator will review them and then call-in the contractors to be sure the final price is what they want used.
- 2) A letter is now ready for Town Counsel to hopefully move the process along. Mr. Delorey was present. The Board explained they would approve of the work but only if Mr. Delorey was willing to release the Town from further efforts or liability. He was not sure he wished to do so.
- 3) The final draft of the letter approved the week before on Morrissey/ Mill St. was shown to the Board.
- 4) No Planning Issues
- 5) A letter to the Library Building Committee was approved. The committee had noted costs incurred to date for the Whipple Barn, and asked for support for further funding in 2000 to explore other alternatives. The Board approved \$10,000 for studying other sites, approved \$50,000 for the CIP for Library expansion, approved \$1,500 for the appraisal on the Whipple Barn, declined to pay for rent to the Daniels sighting State law prohibiting such a payment.

## NEW BUSINESS

- 1) The Board agreed to place the Marvel land question on the ballot themselves rather than requiring the petitioners to do so. They also selected who would speak to which article at the Deliberative Session.
- 2) Mitch Contruction asked that Sharon Road be changed to Carriage Road. The Fire Dept. approved this. All Board members voted in favor. Burton is to draft a letter to Mitch.
- 3) The Board entered non-public session (Motion-Gordon Carlstrom, 2nd Lois Briere, all in favor) at 9:55 PM under RSA 91-A:3a. to discuss some questions Town Counsel had concerning a personnel issue. Non-Public session ended at 10 PM.

A motion to adjourn was made at 10 :01 PM by Gordon Carlstrom, 2nd Lois Briere, all in favor.

Burton Reynolds  
Town Administrator