

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2015
Community Room, 6:30 PM

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Community Room of the Town Hall by Chairman William Rowe with Selectmen Tom Carone and Melissa Randall present with the Town Manager, Ken Woodbury. Members of the public present who signed in were Irving McNaughton, Brent Randall, Dinny Wark, Cynthia Hall, and Brydie Armstrong.

ITEM 2: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEM 3 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Spring Steering Committee was added to new business.

ITEM 4: OPEN FORUM – ½ hour time limit

There were no comments from the public.

ITEM 5: CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from James Stile was noted concerning the foreclosure of his property. The Town Manager will send a response to Mr. Stile.

ITEM 6: APPROVAL OF SELECTMEN'S MINUTES**A. February 24, 2015 Select Board Meeting**

It was moved by Tom Carone and seconded by Melissa Randall that the Select Board Minutes of February 24, 2015, as presented be approved. The motion to approve the minutes was approved 3-0.

B. March 4, 2015 Special Select Board Meeting

It was moved by Melissa Randall and seconded by William Rowe that the minutes of the Special Select Board meeting of March 4, 2015, as presented be approved with the technical correction of the time of the meeting in the heading. The motion to approve the minutes as corrected was approved 3-0.

ITEM 7: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**A. Approval of a Policy on Advisory Committees**

It was moved by Melissa Randall and seconded by William Rowe that the Policy on Advisory Committees be approved with the addition that appointments to the advisory committees will occur at the last Select Board meeting in April and that each Selectman will appoint one third of each committee membership. The motion to approve the Policy on Town Advisory Committees, as amended, was approved 3-0.

ITEM 8: NEW BUSINESS**A. Approval of the 2014 Auditor's Report**

It was moved by William Rowe and seconded by Tom Carone that the draft 2014 Auditor's Report be tabled until the Selectmen have had the opportunity for the Auditor to answer their questions about the audit and since the Auditor will not be available until after the Annual Town Meeting that the 2014 Auditor's Report will be made available to the public in the Town Office once it has been approved by the Select Board. The motion to table the 2014 Auditor's Report was approved 3-0.

B. Approval of the Warrants for the Annual Town Meeting

The Town Warrant was discussed with a final review to take place at the Special Select Board meeting on March 12, 2015, at 6:30 in the Town Hall Community Room. The following warrant articles were amended:

Article 25: The words "from the Operating Reserve" needs to be added for clarification.

Article 28: It was moved by Melissa Randall and seconded by William Rowe that "Town right-of-way" be changed to "Public easement" and that the following be added to the article: "conditional upon the users of the road bringing the road up to the specifications of the town ordinance adopted on November 8, 1982." The motion to amend was approved 3-0.

Article 29: It was moved by Tom Carone and seconded by William Rowe that the amount for the Center Pond Boat Landing Road be changed from \$5,060 to \$5,180 as reflected in the cost estimate prepared by the Road Commissioner, Peter Drummond. The motion to amend was approved 3-0.

Article 34: The words "2014 Town Warrant 42 \$15,000" needs to be added at the end after the "carry forward" section.

New Article: It was moved by Melissa Randall and seconded by William Rowe that a new article be added following Article 56 to read: "To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to transfer from Fire Department 2014 unexpended operating monies to the Fire Department Equipment Reserves, \$15,651." The motion to add a new article was approved 3-0.

New Article: "Abbie Fowler Update" to be added prior to Article 38.

C. Double-Wide Trailer

The double-wide trailer now owned by Amos Lawrence has not been moved. It was suggested that the Armstrongs, who own the land, send Mr. Lawrence a rent notice to have the trailer moved more quickly.

D. Steering Committee

The proposal for a Steering Committee was discussed. The Steering Committee, open to everyone who wants to attend, would begin meeting in April as an open forum to positively discuss the future direction of the Town and perhaps develop a five year plan to guide the town's growth. A warrant article has been included for the Annual Town Meeting requesting \$600 for incidental expenses including a facilitator.

ITEM 9: ROAD ISSUES AND MAINTENANCE/ ROAD COMMISSIONERS' UPDATE

A $\frac{3}{4}$ " grizzly screen to remove rocks from the sand was delivered to Public Works by Mr. Flint. The front axle of the GMC 5500 truck has been repaired.

ITEM 10: APPOINTMENTS

None

ITEM 11: REPORTS

The following reports were discussed:

1. Capital Reserve Accounts
2. Account Balances Report for February
3. Checking Account \$ 70,000.00
4. Operating Reserves \$ 793,701.70
5. Capital Reserves \$ 283,218.68
6. Debt (Fire Rescue Loan) \$ 5,316.36
7. GA Report for February
8. Budget Expenses for 2015
9. Town Manager, GA training in Houlton on March 13, 2015, \$35

ITEM 12: CONSENT ITEMS: TREASURER & PAYROLL WARRANTS

A. 2015 WARRANTS

#25	Payroll	\$5,576.70
#26	Registry of Deeds	\$132.70
#27	Payroll	\$2,081.32
#28	AE Robinson	\$4,849.72

#29 MSAD#4, Hamlin, CMP, etc. \$75,291.36

It was moved by William Rowe and seconded by Melissa Randall to approve Warrants #25, #26, #27, #28 and #29. The motion to approve the warrants was approved 3-0.

ITEM 13: ABATEMENTS & SUPPLEMENTS:

None

ITEM 14: EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ITEM 15: ADJOURN

It was moved by Melissa Randall and seconded by William Rowe that the meeting be adjourned. The motion to adjourn was approved at 8:03 pm 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ken Woodbury, Town Manager

WILLIAM L. ROWE, CHAIRMAN

TOM CARONE

MELISSA RANDALL