

DRESDEN SELECTMEN MINUTES
AUGUST 10, 2015
Pownalborough Hall
6:00 pm

PRESENT: Dale Hinote, Gerald Lilly Sr., Allan Moeller Sr., Selectmen; Trudy Foss, Admin. Assist.; Sonia Lilly, Susan Lilly, Dave Everson, Gorham Lilly, Fire Dept.; Dave Probert, Dawn Moore, residents; Cythia Troxel, Marianne, Senior Spectrum; Robert Faunce, LCPO; J.W. Oliver and Art Mayers, reporters.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEM 1. APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Dale made a motion to approve, Gerry seconded. Allan questioned Dales statement about the Special Town Meeting about "Richmond refused " and requested it be changed to "did not". The minutes were approved by all with this change.

ITEM 2. APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT - Dale made a motion to approve the warrant, Gerry seconded. Gerry questioned the \$750 bill for the medical evaluation of the Firemen. Trudy said that was \$75 each for 10 firemen. The warrant was approved by all.

ITEM 3. GENERAL BUSINESS / CITIZAENS BUSINESS - The next Selectmen Meeting will be on Monday, Aug. 24th at 6:00 pm at Pownalborough Hall.
Citizens Business - Art Mayers asked about the funds approved for the court at Bridge Academy. The Selectmen told him it was between \$14,000 & \$15,000.

ITEM 4. Lincoln County Regional Planning Office – Robert Faunce – new project involving Dresden - Bob said that they have been working on a plan to get more visitors to the interior of Lincoln County. He said 6 years ago they were planning a scenic byway. There were two types, which were Federal or State. They had many restrictions, so have now changed and decided to do a locally designated scenic byway. He is just getting this started and is trying to find out if there is enough interest from the county and towns. He said that this is an MCOG project and they want to promote the villages, historic aspects, boat launches, etc. This byway would run from Richmond to Bowdoinham, Topsham, Woolwich and into Dresden Farmlands, then continue onward. He feels that the coast of the County gets plenty of business, but we need to do something to get the tourist to the interior sections. He said Dresden has a lot of farmlands and river views and should be publicized for the people interested. He said they will be working on forming a committee to work on this and if the Selectmen are interested in this, they will come back and find out who they would want on this committee. The Selectmen said they are very interested.

ITEM 5. ACO CONTRACT - This contract was previously approved and is being signed by all.

ITEM 6. ROADSIDE MOWING CONTRACT – We received one bid for roadside mowing from Tony Barry for \$3,000, not to exceed. The Selectmen said this is the same amount he did this for last year. Allan made a motion to approve, Gerry seconded and all approved.

ITEM 7. WEBSITE – Designate a representative and coordinator for our website – Dale said we need to designate someone as a representative and coordinator for our website. Allan and Gerry both agreed that it should be Trudy as everything will be approved by the Board and then she can let Lauren know. This was approved by all. The Selectmen agreed that we can have Lauren add the Town Directory and the last 3 or 4 Selectmen Minutes and Planning Board Minutes. Trudy will send them to her tomorrow.

ITEM 8. APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PERMIT FOR CATERING PRIVILEGES – Spectrum Generations is holding its second annual Gala event featuring a TV show production with alcohol to be sold on site at the Pownalborough Courthouse. They have applied for a Special Permit for Catering Privileges Off Premises. Marianne explained that this event benefits Senior Spectrum, which benefits the Seniors. She said most of the people going will be over 60. Tickets are \$60 each and to be bought in advance. They cannot be sold after the start time. Gerry made a motion to approve the Special Permit for this event, Allan seconded and both approved. Dale abstained as he is on the Pownalborough Courthouse board.

ITEM 9. GENERAL BUSINESS

Town Roads – Salt prices - Allan said that Morton Salt got the bid this year and that it is \$2.36 more than last year. This year's price will be \$59.29 per ton. Allan asked if Trudy had talked to them about this. She didn't know we needed to. Allan said he just wants to make sure we get on their list as we had some problem with this a few years ago. He will call them.

Trudy said we also got prices from Main St. Fuel for fuel this year. This year's offer for propane is 2700 gallons @ \$1.37 per gallon. For #2 fuel the offer is 1930 gallons @ \$2.29 per gallon. Propane is about \$.25 less than last year and the #2 fuel is about \$1 less. There was some discussion about the statement at the end of the offer about negotiating. Allan said this is the offer. If we get a lower price from someone else then they will negotiate.

Allan said he is going to be calling Dig Safe as we will be replacing culverts on Calls Hill in preparation of doing the work needed there. He is getting prices on the grinding, grading & paving work. Allan also thanked Gorham for cutting the trees that were leaning out into the road on Indian Rd. Allan will also be picking up the grader tomorrow as it is now repaired.

Fire Dept. – Informe – Trudy has left this on the agenda as it is the last item on our Action Plan for MMA for the Fire Station.

Sonia requested the Rec. Fund help with supplies as they have done in the past, in the amount of \$500. Allan made a motion to approve, Dale seconded and all approved.

Solid Waste Issues - 2 cases of water was delivered July 30. Trudy said there is info from the Swap Shop volunteers in the folder for the Selectmen to review. After checking it over the Selectmen determined that they think they are asking for too much for this building. They determined that at this time they will fix the lights and paint the ceiling “whipped cream” color as requested, which will lighten the room up.

Trudy delivered 2 cases of water to the Center and will check on prices for bottles from Crystal Springs. There was discussion about picking up the Poland Spring water that Shaw's has on sale all the time at 3 for \$10. Dave Probert asked about the container that we had over at the Center. He was told it does not work. He asked if we could buy a new one and use the 4-5 gallon jugs of water that go in it. Trudy said that we have two big jugs at the office that we ordered for the Center, but they never used them. People in the audience questioned why we are providing water with Town funds. They are concerned because no one buys them water at their job. They buy their own. The Selectmen explained that as they have no water there, we have to provide it. It does not have to be bottled though as long as it is drinking water. Dave Probert said he would be worried that the bottled water would grow legs and walk off.

Office Arrangements - They reviewed the WB Mason estimate and discussed getting some bids from somewhere else. They also discussed buy some noise panels from State surplus.

Allan said he needs a new phone, the speaker is not working right on his, it comes on as speaker phone and he has to change it back.

Dodge Rd. renewal contract with Cromwell – Julie corrected this to \$14,900 – The board signed this new contract.

Any Other General Business

New Culvert Installment Policy – needs to be signed only - This was approved previously with a correction, so Trudy has made the change and have all signed.

Quit Claim Deed - Trudy has done up a quit claim deed on the Jack Baron property. They are planning to come in tomorrow to pay this TAP off. Trudy said they owe over \$15,000 and would like the deed ready so they can take it to the registry to have recorded. She asked if the Board would sign it so this could happen tomorrow, as they are selling it. They agreed to sign this.

Fire Station # 2 – There has been an issue with people parking in the parking lot and sometimes not leaving enough room to get a truck out of the station if needed. The Board decided we need 2 “No Overnight Parking without Authorization” signs, 2 “Not a Thru Way” signs and maybe paint on the pavement in front of the doors “No Parking”

Gorham presented a list of most of the supplies he will need to build the skating shed, to the Board. They will go soon to pick these supplies up.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:15PM

APPROVED BY

Dale Hinote

Gerald Lilly Sr.

Allan Moeller Sr.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN