

SELECTMEN MINUTES

Mon., April 4, 2016

Pownalborough Hall

6:00 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

PRESENT: Dale Hinote, Gerald Lilly Sr., Allan Moeller Sr., Selectmen; Trudy Foss, Admin.; Shari & Pean Lilly, David Everson, Fire Dept; Scott Mullens, Recycling; Melanie Gaczi, Swap Shop; Art Mayers, reporter.

ITEM 1. APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Dale amended an item under Any other General Business. He corrected his statement concerning Richard Hornbeck. Mr. Hornbeck is with Moncure & Barnacle and represents the Swifts, Matzke and Waters, not Mr. Condon. Dale made a motion to approve with the amendment, Allan seconded and all approved.

ITEM 2. APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT - Dale made a motion to approve, Gerry seconded and all approved.

ITEM 3. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/CITIZENS BUSINESS – The next Selectmen Meeting will be on Thurs., April 14th at 5:00pm for the purpose of signing the warrant only at the Town Office.

The Town Office will be closed Mon., April 18th for Patriots Day.

There will be a Workshop April 28th at 6:00 at the Town Office.

Trudy will be on vacation from April 18th to the 22nd. Kim will cover some of her duties. She will be available by cell phone if needed.

Citizens Business - None

ITEM 4. MDOT PROJECT - Agreement request to travel town ways. - Rt. 27 paving project. The DOT is requesting the Town to give them permission to travel our Town ways. The Board is holding off on this for now. Need to find out which roads they will travel. They will revisit this issue if needed.

ITEM 5. RICHMOND GRANGE – April 17th at 3pm, the Richmond Grange will hold its' Community Citizens Award Day for one person from Richmond and one from Dresden. Tracy Tuttle will receive the award for Richmond and Valerie Woodworth will receive it for Dresden. Anyone wishing to attend or speak about their experiences working with Val, may do so at the event.

The Richmond Grange is requesting we read their Proclamation, this helps them gain standing within the Grange. Dale read the proclamation. Trudy will let Marilyn know this was done.

ITEM 6. REQUEST FOR EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE – to see if it is in the best interest of the Town to remain in the RSU#2 school system or to withdraw from it - Jeff Pierce attended last weeks' Workshop and presented a request to the Board to consider a warrant article for Town Meeting, setting up an exploratory committee to see if we want to stay in or want to get out of the RSU. This committee would consist of five members, one of each of the following, Selectmen, Planning Board member, Budget Review member, School Board member and one citizen. He would also like this to be funded for a secretary to keep minutes, to produce a survey and postage to mail it to residents and public hearings as necessary. This request is for \$1,000 from undesignated surplus. This was discussed briefly.

Allan made a motion to move forward with this exploratory committee, so they can do research only, Dale seconded and all approved.

MTCCA sent an email asking if we add the non-binding question to our school budget validation ballot asking the voter if they feel the budget is: too high, too low or acceptable. We have not in the past, but will do so this year. Trudy will let them know this.

ITEM 7. APPOINTMENT - Swap Shop Coordinator - Trudy said we already approved this at the last meeting, but did not have the appointment paperwork from the clerk at that time, so just need to sign this. All signed.

ITEM 8. GENERAL BUSINESS

Town Roads – Culvert Grant - Allan said we just applied for a grant through DEP. It was delivered Friday and is for an amount around \$108,000 to do work on the culvert at the stream crossing on Bog Rd.

Allan said the roads will be posted until a week from this Friday.

Radar Speed Trailer has been approved for April 17th to the 30th. We need to decide where to put it. It was suggested on Rt. 128 just south of Rt. 197, in the Mills and possibly on the Middle Rd.

Fire Dept. - None

Solid Waste Issues – Allan asked if he could buy a gallon of paint for Scott to paint the skating shed in any spare time he has at the Recycling Center. The Board decided yes, he can do this in May, when warmer.

Melanie said that the swap shop looks great but the girls have complained that the lights are too bright. Gerald said that was the point of the LED's to make it brighter. Everyone had complained of it being dark and dingy. Melanie said it looks great and she loves it. She said they will re-open Saturday. George will be done Thursday and then they will get stuff back in place.

Budget – will be discussed on Thurs, April 28th at 6:00 at the office.

Any other General Business - Pean said a year ago they had talked about redoing the kitchen in the Hall and wants to know when that will be. Allan explained again that this kitchen will make the Hall not usable for the Elections if it is put in, unless it is portable, so it can be rolled out of the way.

Dale said that John Ottum told him that we have to make a decision soon on what we want to do with our paper roads. Allan said that the rangeways will be involved in that and he feels we should just give them back to the landowners, but he said MMA had some info in one of the new Townsman magazines a while ago, that changes some of the way this can be handled.

Trudy said yes, this decision has to be made next year.

Allan said we have a meeting with Karen McNaughton from Pine Tree Waste at 4:00 tomorrow.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:50 PM

APPROVED BY

Dale Hinote

Gerald Lilly Sr.

Allan Moeller Sr.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN