

**SELECTMEN MINUTES**  
**AUGUST 22, 2016**  
**Pownalborough Hall**  
**6:00pm**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ITEM 1. **APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** - Dale mad a motion to approve the minutes with decimal corrections to the paving prices of \$58.50 per ton and \$61.90 per ton in Item 7, not \$5850 and \$6190.

ITEM 2. **APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT**

ITEM 3. **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT / CITIZENS BUSINESS** - The next Selectmen Meeting will be on Thurs., Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 pm at the Town Office for the purpose of signing the warrant and the tax commitment only, due to the Labor Day holiday.

August 29<sup>th</sup> the Selectmen will be meeting with the BRC.

**CITIZENS BUSINESS** - Gerry asked about when the lawns will be getting mowed. Allan said he doesn't know why Scott hasn't done them. He will check on it and if Scott can't do it, Pean will.

ITEM 4. **GENERAL ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE UPDATES** - Dale made a motion to update the Ordinance as per the State requirement, Allan seconded and all approved.

ITEM 5. **REQUEST TO PAY FOR DAMAGE TO VEHICLE OF RESIDENT** – Dana Sattin requested that the Town pay \$190.91 for damages to his vehicle that he thinks was caused from the sinkhole on the Common Rd.

Dwight was a little confused as he read an email that Dana sent to Dale, stating that “I was out walking today and there is the beginning of a sinkhole on Common Rd. near mailbox 105. There has been a depression in the road there for about three weeks, and now the asphalt has opened up on the south side revealing a hole beneath it”. He asked if, as Dana was out walking and saw this and knew it was by mailbox 105, isn't that like seeing a banana peel and stepping on it anyway. He also has an issue with the fact that the car has 92,000 miles and probably most of this was not caused from that one bump but miles of wear and tear. Allan said that he went and put gravel in the hole and then had the culvert replaced and yes it is above ground level some but the paving company should be there by the weekend to repair the pavement. The general consensus was that once he knew the bump was there, which was when he was walking (so he didn't hit it then with his car), he could have avoided the spot and not done the damage. Dale said that the damages are only about \$120 according to the bill. Dwight made a motion that we do not pay this bill, Dale seconded and all approved.

ITEM 6. **APPOINTMENTS** – Stacy Barnes – Planning Board

Stacy has shown an interest in being appointed to the Planning Board. Dale made a motion to appoint Stacy Barnes to the Planning Board to replace George Dorr's position, Allan seconded and all approved.

Russ Peckham has shown interest in taking Peter Lincolns position when he leaves.

Ken Stewart also has an interest. Trudy said Pat has called Ken several times and has gotten no response yet. Jeff said that he is interested. Trudy said as soon as Pat can talk to him, she will do up the paperwork.

**ITEM 7. ACO CONTRACT** - After reviewing the ACO contract and seeing it to be the same as last year, Dale made a motion to approve this, Dwight seconded and all approved. It is still an amount of no more than \$300 a year, plus \$15 hourly wage with a minimum of 2 hours per call and is good through June 30, 2017.

**ITEM 8. GENERAL BUSINESS - Town Roads** – Allan said that Trudy went to Augusta and registered the trailer.

Allan met with Gartley & Dorsky Engineering about the Culvert Grant work. Allan has determined that they can't get this work done this year, due to not enough time before school starts and the delay in the time needed to get the Army Corp of Engineers involved. We will have to wait until summer on this work to be done, but will get all estimates and stuff done this winter. They have two years to get the work done.

They have paved 1500' of Bog Rd. They are also ditching Calls Hill up to 8/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile, to get it ready for paving.

Allan said the cross culvert on Common Rd. should be done by Friday.

**Fire Dept.** – Trudy said she talked to Steve this morning and he said to let you know that Engine 2 was at CW Repair waiting for brake parts.

Dave Probert asked if there was any word on the repeater. There was no more info available.

**Solid Waste Issues** - Dwight said that Melanie got rid of most of the stuff at the Swap Shop that Salvation Army was no longer taking. She talked to them about just picking it up when needed and they will do that. Allan asked about hiring an alternate attendant now that Zach is done. Dwight said they need to do that and he would like to hire a local teen to work on Sundays. The three attendants would each take every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday off, to create this position and then if someone was out the teen might be able to cover, except for Thursday during the school year. They will discuss further.

Any other General Business - Jean Willard requested that the **Abbie Barker** fund pay for what they can to get a tree taken down that is going to come down soon and she will pay for the extra. Trudy checked and we have \$443 available in that account. The original donation amount cannot be touched, it has to remain in the account to accumulate interest. Allan made a motion to take \$443 from this account to pay for this when the job is complete. Dale seconded and all approved.

We received our annual letter from the **Lincoln County Commissioners** office, requesting that the Selectmen attend their Annual Budget Advisory Meeting. All three Selectmen believe they may be able to attend.

Allan would like to have **the recycling info** put on the website. Dave said he emailed Trudy the info. She said she already had it, but did update what she knew was wrong and passed it on to Scott to correct any other errors. Dwight will get this to Lauren to add.

Dale wants to let everyone know that the U.S. Constitutional **Codes** (corrected from Statute, per Dale 9-19-16) require the Pledge of Allegiance to be recited the way he does it. Most everyone disagreed with him, as they have all learned it the way they did in school and don't understand why he is making this change. He said he has recently joined a group in Town that does it this way, as he never knew it was done that way either. When he gets to "one nation under God" he says it like it is one word. He says **we can continue to say it the way we do** and he will do it his way.

Allan said the Wardens have summonsed someone for the dumping on the **Gilmorebrook Rd.** Warden Kulis went through the trash and found a name that led to another person and found the person responsible. Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> is **Landowner Appreciation Day** and **Riverside** will bring a roll-off bin and drop off so volunteers can clean the mess up. **K & G Hardware** is donating an excavator for the day to use for moving the trash. The State will pay for the dumpster. Dale said he thinks the town should develop a Town Ordinance to make harsher penalties than the State, since we have so many problems with this. No decision made on this.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:10 pm

APPROVED BY

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ALLAN MOELLER SR.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**