

SELECTMEN MEETING

NOV. 28, 2016

Pownalborough Hall

6:00 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

PRESENT: Dale Hinote, Dwight Keene, Allan Moeller Sr., Selectmen; Trudy Foss, Admin.; Gerald & Suzie Lilly, Pean & Shari Lilly, Steve & Sonia Lilly, Fire Dept; Jeannine & James Ford, Carol Chalmers, Stephanie Millett, Chris Dowdy, Ellen Goodwin, Kayla Murphy, Carl Wilkins, Antonio Marino, Mark Marino, Residents/Owners of homes on Jenny Lane; Peter & Mary Walsh, residents; Jessica Avery, Town Attorney; Abigail Adams, Reporter.

ITEM 1. APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

ITEM 2. APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT

ITEM 3. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS / CITIZENS BUSINESS - The next Selectmen Meeting will be on Mon., Dec. 12th at 6pm at Pownalborough Hall. Allan will not be able to attend that one. The following one will be on Thurs., Dec. 22nd for the purpose of signing the warrant only, at the Town Office. This is due to the Town Office being closed on Monday the 26th for the Holiday.

Citizens Business - Mary Walsh – The Lincoln County Commissioners office dropped off a certificate to be presented to Mary Walsh. This was presented to her by Selectmen Dale Hinote. This was a Certificate of Recognition to Mary who has served Maine and the Town of Dresden in the public and private sectors, on the school board, with senior citizens and many other ways for her community. We thank her for all she has done for the Town.

ITEM 4. JENNY LANE - Private Rd. Issue – Carol Chalmers requested this be on the Agenda. Allan explained why Towns cannot plow private roads any longer. Town can do it but they take on the responsibility of anything that happens on that road, as far as if a plow truck goes off the road and needs to be pulled out, or the truck does some damage to someone's property, etc. Our insurance company will not cover this. MMA will not cover any damage done on a private road after the end of 2017, so we will not be able to do the plowing on private roads after that date at all. We have had an issue with this road the last couple of years due to condition. James agreed that he hasn't taken care of it as it should have been, but most of the places in there became vacant and they were the only ones left for a while, so the cost was too much. Now they have a full crew so are having this work done this weekend, no matter what the weather is. Chris Dowdy asked if possibly the board could plow it this one more season, due to the late notice and the issue of finding someone reasonable in a short amount of time. After much discussion it was decided that as long as the road gets fixed we will plow one more winter season for them.

ITEM 5. MORATORIUM – Recreational Marijuana - Dale said that we need to explore imposing a moratorium to regulate retail sales shops and social clubs. The Town's Attorney,

Jessica Avery reviewed some info on what we would need to do for this and the timeline. The bill will be enacted 30 days after the Governor signs it, then the State has 9 months to make regulations and laws pertaining to the bill.

Towns have the right to ban or regulate these types of businesses, but cannot prohibit personal use. Persons may have 25 ounces and grow up to six adult plants. Moratoriums are 180 days and can be extended for an additional 180 days. The moratorium can be applicable retroactive back to the date the topic first appeared on the Board's agenda.

The moratorium must be adopted by the Town Meeting.

If the proposed moratorium involves a temporary ban on land use activity, the Planning Board must first conduct a public hearing on the proposed ordinance.

The Board will discuss this further with the Attorney at the end of the meeting.

ITEM 6. GENERAL BUSINESS

RSU #2 Exploratory Committee – they need to reserve the Hall if they are meeting there. The committee's first meeting was changed from Nov. 17th to Dec. 8th. Branden Perrault was voted in as Chairman and Jeff Pierce as Co-Chair.

Town Government Review – on hold until January – Dale did talk to one of the persons he was trying to contact about this and they recommend that we use a recently retired Town Manager, who may have some knowledge of town functions. Dale said we could also use a Muskie School student.

Town Roads = Ballard Rd. - Heather Beasley talked to Allan about them not plowing Ballard Rd, as she is the only one living there and won't be there for the winter, she would like it not plowed. This will prevent illegal dumping and disturbance of the equipment in the gravel pit. Allan said he has no problem with this, but we will need a letter from her, in case of a fire, so we are not liable.

Fire Dept. – Steve asked about the water at Sta#1, as they usually drain this so it doesn't freeze. Now that some townspeople have needed it, he is not sure if to shut it down or turn up the heat. Since we have had quite a bit of rain, everyone should be good again, if not they will let us know. The board said he can drain it as usual.

Steve said that Engine 3 is still having work done on it. We will need to get a fuel tank made for it also.

Steve also has to order Ron some new boots, he ripped his out.

Steve said that the bays are cold with the temp down to 60, but Allan said it doesn't need to be any higher as it only needs to keep the tanks from freezing. He said as soon as we get the results of the heat analysis, we can decide what to do.

Allan said we are going to need to buy a new tanker soon, so need to not spend a lot of money on vehicles that are not worth much.

Solid Waste Issue – Tokens – Dwight got a notice that the tokens are ready to be picked up. It is \$1140 for 1,000. Trudy will do a check in the morning for those.

Communicator – 6 households have responded saying they would like this sent again. One household Trudy was not sure from what they wrote if they were for it or against it. They pointed out that they liked it but then questioned the cost.

This has been approved for the 6 month trial basis and if we can find a typesetter this will be done. Then come June the residents can vote to pay for it if they want.

Thermostat to be installed at Town Office – will be done soon.

Printer for Motor Vehicles new forms. – Trudy went to Staples and Best Buy and neither of them have Dell printers any longer. They said we have to buy them directly through Dell now. Trudy said that our WB Mason salesperson was in the office last Tuesday fixing our keyboard slide out on one of the desk units we bought from them. Not something she has to do, but she noticed it so went and bought what she needed to fix it. While there we asked her if they carried Dell printers and she said they did not. When we told her what we needed it for, she said that one of their H.P. printers got approved to be used with the new State system, so people have been buying them. Trudy asked what the price was and it was in between the prices of the other two we looked at. She said that the toner for it is \$199.99 for 9,000 copies. The Board said to go ahead and get this.

Appointment – At the last meeting the Board approved appointing Steve Collemer to the Appeals Board, but we did not have the appointment form for them to sign, so this was signed.

Application for Employment – Trudy said that the application we received was from a 16 year old, but needs a parent or guardian needs to sign for the background check. A relative signed it but they are not the parent so need proof of guardianship.

Any other General Business – Jessica talked to the Board about the Moratorium issue. She said that we need to apply to the Planning Board and then follow the meeting schedule. She thinks the Planning Board can handle it from there, but if we need her or the Planning Board please feel free to give her a call.

Dale made a motion that we apply to the Planning Board so they know that we are considering this Moratorium, Dwight seconded and all approved.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:18PM.

APPROVED BY

Dale Hinote

Dwight Keene

Allan Moeller Sr.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN