

**Board of Selectmen
January 9, 2008**

Present: Paul S. Morrill, Chairperson; Mark P. Duffy; Robin L. Frost, Town Administrator; and Toni Bodah, Secretary.

Also present was Police Chief Ken Fifield.

The posted meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Mr. Morrill. **Mr. Morrill moved to enter Non Public Session. Mr. Duffy seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Duffy – ‘aye’; Mr. Morrill – ‘aye’. Motion passed 2-0 and the Board entered Non Public Session.**

The Board returned to public session at 7:12 p.m. Also present at this time was Cathy Kinville, Tax Collector; Peter Kasprzyk and David Mankus. Mr. Morrill led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Appointments

a) Cathy Kinville, Tax Collector – Ms. Kinville presented deeds to the Town relating to properties for which taxes have remained unpaid. The Board members and Ms. Kinville executed 8 deeds, which will be recorded.

2. Old Business – None forthcoming.

3. New Business – None forthcoming.

4. Correspondence – None forthcoming.

5. Unscheduled Matters/Public Comment

--Mr. Kasprzyk stated that, as a property owner, he is slightly perturbed at signs posted at the Town's Transfer Station advertising out-of-town sale of Christmas trees. He noted that the snow around the signs had been plowed. Neither Mr. Morrill nor Ms. Frost had been aware of these signs. Mr. Morrill noted that if the snow had been plowed around the signs, the Highway Department was only doing its job and would have no knowledge of whether the signs should have been there or not. The Board members were in agreement that the signs were not placed in accordance with the Town's regulations or with the authority of the Town. Ms. Frost will address this issue with the Transfer Station crew.

6. Administrative Matters

a) Liaison Reports – Mr. Duffy: He received a call from Mr. Mankus in order to discuss two petitioned warrant articles.

Mr. Morrill: The Budget Committee has completed review of the Town and School budgets. A brief discussion followed regarding plans for the Pine River Pond bridge and the status of the State's approval of those plans.

b) Administrator's Update

--The grant to be awarded to the Heritage Commission from Cultural Resources requires two resolutions to be adopted by the Board and referenced within their minutes. **Mr. Morrill moved that this municipality shall enter into a contract with the State of New Hampshire, acting by and through the Department of Cultural Resources providing for the performance by this Municipality of certain services as documented within the foregoing grant application, and that the official listed, Pamela A. Judge, on behalf of this Municipality, is authorized and directed to enter into the said grant agreement with the State of New Hampshire, and that they are to take any and all such actions that may be deemed necessary, desirable and appropriate in order to execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver any and all documents, agreements and other instruments on behalf of this Municipality in order to accomplish the same. Mr. Duffy seconded the motion, which passed 2-0.**

Mr. Morrill moved that the signature of the above authorized party or parties of this Municipality, when affixed to any instrument or document described in, or contemplated by, these resolutions, shall be conclusive evidence of the authority of said parties to bind this Municipality. Mr. Duffy seconded the motion, which passed 2-0.

--Ms. Frost presented a draft default budget (as well as a draft Town Warrant and updated budget summary).

--Several petitioned warrant articles were received, only one of which (regarding a \$17,000 appropriation for the Gafney Library) is a monied article. **Mr. Morrill moved to recommend the Petitioned Warrant Article for a \$17,000 appropriation for the Gafney Library. Mr. Duffy seconded the motion, which passed 2-0.**

--Discussion followed regarding the Pine River Pond Road bridge. **Mr. Morrill moved to amend the requested appropriation for the Bridge CRF (currently #4) to \$128,000. Mr. Duffy seconded the motion, which passed 2-0.**

--Pay/Class Study: Changes to this document will be discussed at a later meeting.

--No new information regarding the gate at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. However, we expect Sebago Scales back on site next week at the Transfer Station. It is hoped that the scales can be used for septage haulers sometime in February.

c) Building Permit Releases – Mr. Morrill moved to approve building permit releases for Boudreau on Ferguson Road and Wisniak on Thoreau Trail. Mr. Duffy seconded the motion, which passed 2-0.

d) Minutes – Mr. Morrill moved to approve the minutes of December 26, 2007, as presented. Mr. Duffy seconded the motion, which passed 2-0.

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e) Other – Ms. Frost noted that the Town Clerk has suggested that, if the Assessing Department does not move into the new office space downstairs, she would be interested in relocating her office to that area. The Finance Clerk could then move into the space vacated by the Town Clerk. Neither scenario is perfect. Discussion followed regarding coverage for Assessing. The Board members were not adverse to the suggestion and indicated that Ms. Frost should make the final decision based upon the best ‘flow’ for all offices.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Toni Bodah, Secretary

Approval of Minutes:

Paul S. Morrill, Chairperson

Mark P. Duffy

John J. Blackwood