

# SELECTMEN'S MEETING

December 03, 2014

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Susan Hansel, Maury Collins, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others attending: Michael Cornog, Barry Tolman, Rick Church, Alex Lange

The meeting was opened by Chair David Upton at 3:00 PM.

Rick Church, representing the Conservation Commission, came before the Board to request support for a proposed walking trail on a 5 acre lot owned by the Town. Plans are incomplete at this time as the trail has not yet been laid out.

Rick also presented a formal announcement that the Conservation Commission is presently working with the Harris Center in an effort to acquire approximately 600 acres in an area of Old Stoddard Road known as "Osgood Hill". Negotiations are underway at this time. The Conservation Commission proposes to use the Partridge Trust to participate in the project. The goal is to create a Town Forest.

The Harris Center will assist with a grant application which must be submitted by January 9, 2015. \$200,000 from the Partridge fund has been committed. A series of public meetings will be planned to present the details of the project. David offered the Board's support in scheduling the public meetings.

Michael Cornog requested time with the Board to present his concerns over a logging operation that is taking place on property owned by Mark Nicholson. The operation has continued to work during the recent snow and thaw causing deep ruts in the mud and causing damage to the road. Mike Tarr has made repairs to the road and has spoken to the logger and property owner. The DRA timber division will be asked to review the operation.

David made a motion to approve the minutes for November 19, 2014.

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

David made a motion to approve the Public and Non-Public minutes for November 25, 2014.

Susan seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

Electrical bids were reviewed for projects at the Safety Building. Bids were submitted from Hamblet Electric and Dean Huber.

David made a motion to approve the bid submitted by Dean Huber for each project.

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

A purchase appeared on the credit card statement for the Sullivan Store on the Fire Department credit card. Jason Walter reported that The Chief purchased doughnuts but the receipt was lost.

The Board acknowledged the lost receipt and approved the purchase. Susan will remind the Fire Chief that all receipts must be signed and turned in within 5 days of a purchase.

The Board has been informed that Trisha Jones has resigned as Chair of the Trustees of Trust Funds and the Cemetery Board.

The Board briefly discussed recommendations from the Municipal Association that positions for Cemetery Board and Trustees of Trust Funds be separated on the Town Ballot.

Tom Newcomb has also been in touch with the legal department at NHMA to review the issue and to plan for the next election.

Potential candidates were briefly discussed and the Board agreed to invite Tom Newcomb and Elaine Giacomo to the next meeting to continue the discussion.

Susan made a motion to approve a Purchase Request from the Police Department to purchase a copy machine.

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion carried by a vote of 3-0. PR # 141231

David made a motion to approve a Purchase Request from the Highway Department to purchase diesel additive.

Susan seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

Susan reported that the manifest was complete and moved approval of the manifests for November 26, 2014 and December 3, 2014.

David seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

David made a motion to approve the purchase of 2 OSHA compliant ladders for the Town Hall. (1-8' & 1-12')

Susan seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

David made a motion to accept \$100.00 in donations for the benefit of the Fire Department.

Said donations made in memory of George Warner.

Susan seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

David made a motion to contract John Newcomb for appraisal services for property in Gilsum being studied for possible purchase as a Town owned sand and gravel bank.

Susan seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

David made a motion to add a warrant article for 2015 in support of education funding reform as suggested by Bruce Johnson of Webster NH and further to notify Mr. Johnson that the article will appear on the 2015 Town Warrant.

Susan seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0

The Board agreed to invite neighbors in for a discussion of lighting at the rear of the Library.

Alex Lange arrived at the end of the meeting with a Purchase Request from the Fire Department for license placards for members to place on their personal vehicles.

Maury made a motion to approve the Purchase as requested.

David seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

With nothing further, David made a motion to adjourn.

Maury seconded the motion.  
The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 PM

December 3, 2014

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David Upton, Chair

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Maury Collins

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Susan Hansel