

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

May 29, 2012

Executive Board Attending: Warren Hammack, Chair, Maury Collins, David Upton, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others Attending: Maureen Lord, Brian Lord, Tom Buttrick, Val Vanmeier, Sara Sandberg, Allan Treadwell

The May 29th meeting of the Board of Selectmen opened at 6:13 PM in response to a motion by Maury and seconded by David.

As the first order of business was announced a Thunderstorm rolled in and the power went off. There was a brief return and then right off again.

Edie reported that David Voymas had come in to request information about how the Agricultural Commission should set up the financial workings of the Farmer's Market. They are renting space to vendors and would like to be able to deposit the income into their own checking account instead of the general fund.

Because this can create several legal issues the Board decided to contact both the LGC and Department of Revenue for their advise.

Next Maury reported on the status of an unregistered camper which had been placed on the traveled portion of the road at Granite Lake. The owner was asked to register the camper and to move it enough to place it on her own property instead of the road.

Allan Treadwell came in next for a second meeting with the Board to review his findings and discuss his fees and contract terms for computer services.

He presented a positive report of the overall state of the Town's Computer equipment and said the new firewall was very good both in quality and installation. He advised annual updates to the sonic wall. (It is just a few months old at this point) After several questions from the Board and discussion David explained that there was not contract money available in the budget and asked if Allan would work by the hour for the remainder of this year. Allan agreed.

At this point Maury made a motion to accept Allan Treadwell's services on an hourly basis. David seconded and the motion then carried by unanimous vote.

Next was a review of a bid from Bob Jones to mow the Town's Ball Field. The bid was \$100.00 per mowing and will be kept at a level to allow for use all summer. Maury made a motion to approve the bid. Warren seconded. The motion then carried by unanimous vote.

Next David asked the Board to request that David Drasba proceed to develop plans for Plan C. Discussion opened as David reviewed the issues of each plan.

Warren strongly stated he would not vote for anything that would not include consideration of any future plans for the upstairs.

Warren then spoke of his feelings that a short term, quick fix is not in the best interest of the Town's future financial health.

Maury said he also has concerns about Plan C not fitting into any future plans for the upstairs renovation. He expressed agreement with Warren and said he also feels that plan B looks to the future and would be a completed part of an upstairs renovation.

David spoke against the Select Board making decisions on projects involving that much money. Maury again said he supported Warren's reasons for choosing Plan B.

Warren said he would call David Drasba and ask how much it would cost to do the plans for C.

Edie reported on the cost breakdown for the Town Hall per day as was requested by Maureen Lord at a previous meeting. The per day cost is just over \$24.00. The Monadnock Folklore Society pays \$70.00 per usage, residents \$50.00 per usage, non-residents \$150.00 and Town organizations are free.

Next the cost of Moving to Harrisville versus the Town Hall. The lost revenue along with the need for wiring, temporary partitions, and additional security measurers all would result in a higher cost to move into the Town Hall and the space would not be available for other functions during that time.

Next Maury suggested returning the Selectmen's meeting day to Wednesday. All agreed to consider this and bring it back for discussion.

Next came questions and discussion about an elevator that may be part of future renovation plans for the Old Brick Schoolhouse. Several thoughts were presented on the matter but this is not being considered for any immediate consideration. This would be into the future.

With darkness well settled in and no return of the power Maury moved to go into Non-Public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (b) The Hiring of a person as an employee.

Seconded by Warren. A roll vote followed which carried the motion. Warren, Aye – Maury, Aye- David, Aye.

Retired to Non-Public session at 7:52 PM.

At 8:03 PM the Board returned from Non-Public session.

Upon returning to public session, the Board announced that during the Non-Public session they had chosen a new Sexton. The name to be announced next week at the Selectmen's meeting.

Now in complete darkness (except for a small flashlight) Maury made a motion to recess the meeting and pick up again at 4:00 PM tomorrow, Wednesday May 30, 2012. David seconded the motion. And the motion then carried by unanimous vote.

Wednesday May 30, 2012

At 4:03 after a 22 hour recess due to the storm and power outage the Board reconvened to complete the paperwork from last night and address any remaining matters.

David reported that he spoke to Linda Cates and set up a joint meeting for June 12, 2012 at the Town Hall with the Library Trustees and the Municipal Records Committee.

David also reported on his conversation with Rick Lothrop concerning chairs for customers at the two service areas in the office. Rick feels they are a hazard as they can be thrown into the egress route in the haste of fleeing the building.

Next Richard Pratt requested a building permit as he intends to build a single family home on his property and will need to remove a portion from current use. He will be parking a camper on the property beginning now and throughout his construction.

Next Chief Pratt review pictures he took of the Ingalls property.

He reported on the estimate of clean up the property. The dumpster fees will be \$1850.00 and include 4 units. Labor will be provided from the inmates.

An itemized list of all costs will be kept and recorded against the property to be recovered in the future.

David suggested that the clean up begin as soon as possible and that public service be notified of the change in ownership.

Next David made a motion to approve Richard Pratt's building permit. Maury seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

The property will be reviewed for how much should be removed from current use.

Next Warren reported that he had called the LGC regarding the money to be taken in by the Farmer's Market. Dave Connell, one of the LGC attorneys said for now the money should go into the general fund. At Town meeting the residents can vote to set up a Trust fund and to give the money back. The money will be in rental fees not gifts. Maury suggested calling George Rainier who runs the Peterborough Farmer's Market to see how they handle it.

Next Maury made a motion to approve Cross Country to do the Fairpoint assessment.

This was seconded by Warren and the motion then carried by unanimous vote.

There was a brief discussion about the position of Health Officer. No one has seen or heard from him for a long while in the office. The Board agreed to find out more about the position including a job description.

There was a review of all information to be presented on Saturday at the Special Town Meeting. David asked if Warren would present on Saturday. He agreed.

Maury made a motion to restart the bid process for Plan B.

Warren seconded the motion

The motion carried by a vote of 3-0

All paperwork was then completed as necessary.

Maury made a motion to adjourn.

David seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 6:01

May 29, 2012 thru May 30, 2012

Warren Hammack, Chair

Maury Collins

David Upton