

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

JULY 1, 2014

10:00 AM

PRESENT: George Lawrence, Chairman, Becky Doyle, Woody Meiszner, Joanne Meshna

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Office.

Eric Maxwell, Recreation Director: Mr. Maxwell was present with Deb Holmes to discuss scheduling of the recreation fields. Mr. W. Allen Howard has requested use of the fields for soccer. Mr. Maxwell has not received answers to questions he had and at this time recommended the request not be approved. The fields are already booked for the October festival on October 3 and 4. He was asked to get in contact with Mr. Howard.

Mr. Maxwell further stated that he has not been given any request for use of facilities forms this year at all. The Selectmen agreed that the forms should first go to Mr. Maxwell and then he would make a recommendation to the Board. Mr. Maxwell noted that he would like to change the form being used by listing the three fields and use of the All Star Cafe. He was advised to see Mary Fortier who is working on standardizing forms. The Selectmen added that Mr. Maxwell is to coordinate usage of the All Star Cafe. The schedule for the fields and cafe should be on file here at the Town Office.

Ms. Holmes requested a schedule of everything that happens on the fields such as the mowing of the lawns. Director of Public Works Goewey responded that the fields are mowed on Thursday. Further Ms. Holmes stated that she and Mr. Maxwell would prepare a procedure for scheduling.

William Kivela and Old Town Hall: Mr. Kivela inquired if he was appointed to the Old Town Hall Committee and if not would he be; he also wanted to find out if the Children's Fair would be able to use the Old Town Hall this year as requested. The structural engineer hired by the Town recommended that the building not be used for public gatherings until the building has been shored or repaired. Selectman Doyle did not think it was in the best interest of the Town to use the building; the engineer recommended no public use and the liability for the Town is increased by ignoring what is wrong with the building and the engineer's report. The engineer noted that if temporary shoring is used, it may not be used for longer than 180 days per the New Hampshire building code.

Selectman Meiszner stated he was in favor of using the building for this year only and submitting a warrant article in 2015 to repair the Old Town Hall. If the article does not pass, the building cannot be used. Selectman Doyle noted there were other alternatives for the Children's Fair such as a tent. Further, she stated that there has been firm warning for years of the state of the building and every June the issue comes up. This year the Selectmen decided to hire a structural engineer who made his recommendation and the recommendation should not be ignored. Selectman Lawrence stated the Fair

would have to stay as far away from the bad side of the building as possible. Selectman Doyle added that in doing so they have to be careful not to block the fire exits.

Selectman Meiszner made a motion to allow the Children's Fair to use the Old Town Hall with the limitation of blocking 4 feet of wall and with the clear understanding that this is the last year. A warrant article will be proposed to fix the sill. If it does not pass, it will be the end of the Children's Fair using the building. Selectman Lawrence added that the Children's Fair is to work with the Old Town Hall Committee for a temporary fix. Selectman Lawrence seconded the motion. The vote was two in favor and one against.

Old Town Hall Committee: Currently the members of the Committee are Bev Vaillancourt, Ed Rogers and Becky Doyle. Selectman Meiszner made a motion to appoint William Kivela and Jay Hopkins to the Committee. Selectman Lawrence seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Bill's term will be for two years and Jay's term for three. The Board asked that District Schoolhouse 13 be included in discussions.

Fireworks permits: Selectman Doyle made a motion to approve two fireworks permits, one for Dixie Blease and one for Dwayne White. Selectman Lawrence seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Pool: The pool usage numbers are way up from last year for the evening swimming hours. Selectman Doyle presented figures to help fund the pool from amounts taken from departments and asked that they be reviewed and approved.

The budget will be reviewed in a month. Selectman Meiszner noted that there were some bills paid in 2014 that should have come from the 2013 budget and that is being reviewed.

Letter from Dr. Giamo: Selectman Lawrence read a letter from Dr. Giamo and A. F. Alfred Corporation regarding the building where the Police Department is located. It is the intent of the Corporation to sell the building in the near future and they inquired if the Town would be interested in buying the building. The Board questioned what the asking price is. An article would have to be put on the 2015 warrant for the purchase. Chief Carpenter stated that the building is in a good location, the size is too small, the structure has been well maintained and the driveway is going to be redone. Dr. Giamo asked for a response to his letter which Selectman Lawrence will do.

Life insurance: There is a new contract from HealthTrust, Inc. for life insurance. The rate is up \$.02/\$1,000. Selectman Lawrence signed the contract.

At 11:05 Selectman Meiszner made a motion to adjourn the meeting until 3:00 p.m. Selectman Doyle seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

3:10 p.m.: Meeting reconvened.

Police vehicle: Chief Carpenter was present to discuss the old police cruiser that the Selectmen had agreed to sell. The car had a trade in value of \$3,500. It was suggested that the car might make a good municipal vehicle for individuals to use to take to conferences, etc. Chief Carpenter noted that the vehicle needs work. Selectman Doyle suggested that it might be better to sell the car and with the \$3,000 buy a more reliable vehicle. The cost to fix the car and how much is paid out annually for mileage needs to be determined. Chief Carpenter will find out how much it will cost for repairs on the car and how much the car could be sold for.

Workmens' Compensation: A revised invoice from Workmens' Compensation has been received and \$13,576.64 is due the Town. The Town can request the return of the money or it can be applied as a credit for next year. Selectman Doyle will find out what can be done with the money if it is returned.

Lifeguards: Changes to payroll were approved for Kailey Allen, Nico Dejesus and Brier Haigh for change in status from lifeguard to WSI.

Minutes: Selectmen Meiszner made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2014 meeting. Selectmen Doyle seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Deputy Treasurer: A request was made by Deputy Treasurer Lashua to change the employee handbook to reflect that upon termination of an employee the final paycheck is an actual check and not direct deposit. Selectman Doyle will find out her reasons for wanting the change.

Treasurer: A request was made by Treasurer Vaillancourt to return the pool revolving funds back to a passbook and ledger account. The request was put on hold.

At 4:00 p.m. Selectman Doyle made a motion to enter into a non public session under RSA 91-A:3II(c). Selectman Meiszner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

At 4:50 p.m. Selectman Lawrence made a motion to reconvene the public meeting. Selectman Doyle seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Selectman Meiszner made a motion to seal the minutes of the non public session. Selectman Lawrence seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanne Meshna, Land Use Manager

July 2, 2014 Board of Selectmen minutes approved by:

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George H. Lawrence, Chairman

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Rebecca M. Doyle

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Woody Meiszner