

Selectmen's Meeting – September 7, 2010

Present were Selectmen Nancy L. Carlson, Bruce L. Tatro and Deborah J. Davis. Also present was Town Administrator Beth Fox.

Chairman Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Financial Matters. Selectmen reviewed and approved accounts payable and payroll manifests.

NHMA Floor Policies. Members reviewed floor policies received in a mailing dated August 19th making the following recommendations to delegate to the policy convention Nancy Carlson:

- Support Auburn's request to oppose changes to RSA reducing the obligation of public water entities whose land holdings are in another community.
- Oppose Conway's request that NHMA support a requirement that draft rules be returned to committee prior to submission to the JLCAR.
- Support Lebanon's request that NHMA support legislation permitting assessing offices to request financial information related to rental income and rental expenses for commercial and industrial properties.
- Oppose Moultonborough's request that NHMA support legislation that would allow communities to adjust tax rates during the first billing to smooth out extraordinary increases or decreases in the statewide education property tax.
- Support New Ipswich's request that NHMA support legislation regarding police chief's authority related to special details.
- Oppose New Ipswich's request to amend legislation pertaining to excavation taxes.
- Oppose Seabrook's request to allow gambling by home rule.
- Oppose Sharon's request to study the repeal of state laws pertaining to local health officers.
- Oppose Sunapee's request the NHMA take no position on the collection of statewide property tax.

State Primary Election. Selectmen were reminded of the state primary set for September 14 and the need to be available at the close of polls.

Homestead Woolen Mill Tour. Members were reminded of the facility tour set for Wednesday, September 15th at 5 p.m.

Audit 2009. Copies of the financial statements issued were distributed to members for review and discussion at a future meeting.

Confirmation. Selectmen confirmed the appointment of Ridgley Brown as a member of the town's Old Home Day Committee.

Sale of Surplus Town Vehicle – 1981 Rescue. Bids received in accordance with the notice were opened with the following results:

- Mark IV, \$210
- Kevin Flynn, \$401.51
- Ronald Bedaw, \$513
- Michael Parrott, \$800.

Selectmen voted to award the truck to Michael Parrott – AS IS /AS SHOWN – at the bid price of \$800 authorizing Fox to execute necessary paperwork to conclude the sale. It the sale is not

consummated within 10 days of the bid opening, Fox may offer the truck to the 2nd highest bidder.

Property Acquired by Tax Collector's Deed – Land & Buildings at 140 Warmac Road.

Selectmen were advised that the closing conveying this property to the high bidder had occurred that day and proceeds from the sale in accordance with the bid terms had been received by the Town.

Follow up regarding Ed Jacob's correspondence received 7/25/2010. Fox advised she had met with Mr. Jacobs and his concerns pertained to maintenance of the fire access to the river and a private right of way and gravel left on his property at the conclusion of the Slate Bridge Project which he wished to relocate to a different section of the parcel. The concerns regarding fire access maintenance will be directed to Chief Skantze requesting he follow up.

Nomination & Confirmation – Open Space Committee. Selectmen appointed Betsy Barden to serve as a member of the town's Open Space Committee.

Non-public session: RSA 91-A: 3IIa. Selectmen voted, pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3IIa by roll call, to go into non-public session at 7:15 p.m. Selectmen came out of non-public session at 7:55 p.m. Selectmen authorized pay rate adjustments and outlined a proposed process for department head evaluations.

Police Special Detail Rate. Selectmen authorized amendment of the town's detail rate structure effective 9/5/2010 establishing billing rates of \$48.75 for an officer and \$58.75 for an officer and cruiser.

Community Matters Conference. Selectmen approved participation by Barlow in the 2010 Conference accepting pursuant to RSA 31:95-b grant and in kind support of \$700 toward expenses.

Minutes of Non-public Session of Selectmen's Meeting of 8/17/2010. Selectmen approved as written the minutes of this non-public session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by,

Elizabeth A. Fox
Town Administrator