

Tuesday, March 29th 2011

Town of Woodstock
Selectmen's Meeting
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Selectmen: Jim Fadden, Gil Rand, Joel Bourassa
Staff: Sandy Dovholuk, Judy Welch, Steve Welch
Public: Patrick Griffin, Tom Sabourn, Steve Degiso

Joel called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Public Participation/Steve Welch:

Steve wanted to know who the Personal Manager is for the Town. Joel stated that the Board of Selectmen are considered the Personal Managers.

Public Participation/Patrick Griffin:

Patrick stated that he had attended the annual School Meeting and the members of the communities voted to pass \$150,000 for the Industrial Arts program. Patrick stated that \$150,000 had already been appropriated for this a few years ago and was not used properly; therefore the school was going to have to refund each town \$75,000. Patrick would like to see the Town give the money back to the school so that we would not be double taxed.

Sandy stated that if we see any money returned it will be considered revenue and will go into the general fund. This money will then go into surplus and be used to lower the town's tax rate.

MOTION:

At 6:44 PM a motion was made and seconded to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) Personnel

Roll Call: Chairman, Joel Bourassa, Yes, Jim Fadden, Yes, Gil Rand, Yes. Administrative Assistant, Sandy Dovholuk, and Secretary, Judy Welch were present.

At 7:08 PM the Board of Selectmen came out of non-public session.

Selectmen, Jim Fadden motioned to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

VOTED 3-0

Public Participation/Tom Sabourn:

Tom stated that he has been shut off from bringing fluorescent bulbs to the Solid Waste Facility. Tom said that he only brings bulbs from local jobs and never brings bulbs from surrounding areas. Tom stated that this is an environmental concern because these bulbs

contain hazardous materials and people are smashing the bulbs and putting them in dumpsters. Tom recommended that if it is a money issue to start charging more and accept the bulbs.

Jim thought we were accepting fluorescent bulbs because they purchased a special container to hold these bulbs and that was why there was a fee being charged. Jim stated that he will follow up and find out why they are not taking them.

Melissa Sabourn/Tax Collector/Deeding:

Melissa presented the Board with a list of properties that will be up for deeding if not paid by May 14, 2011.

Minutes of the February 22, 2011 Meeting:

Jim motioned to accept the minutes of February 22, 2011 Meeting. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Job Descriptions:

Joel stated that the Board is in the process of updating the job descriptions. The last revision was in 1993 and many of the job descriptions have changed and the paperwork does not reflect that. Joel stated that they will be starting with the office staff and passed out an example of the format they are looking for.

Sign Engineering Agreement/CDM:

The Board reviewed and signed the Engineering Agreement with CDM.

Letter/State Fire Marshall/Allow or prohibit the possession and display of permissible fireworks within our municipality:

The Board received a letter from the State Fire Marshal's Office requesting a letter advising whether our town's governing body has voted to allow or prohibit the possession and display of permissible fireworks in our municipality. The Board reviewed and discussed this request. Jim motioned to table this for further discussion and check with the Chief of Police and Fire and get their input. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Sign contract/NH Humane Society:

The Board reviewed and signed the contract for 2011 with the New Hampshire Humane Society.

Sign Veterans Exemption/McIntyre:

The Board reviewed and signed the Veterans Exemption for Gregory McIntyre.

Letter/Donna Wyre:

Joel read the following letter received from Donna Wyre aloud:

Dear Selectmen,

I have recently been bragging about my town to friends in Lincoln and Thornton.

However, I was embarrassed by the way Article Two was handled at the Town Meeting on March 8, 2011. The issue of the guinea hens is not a laughing matter as it involves a child who is really attached to them as her friends and playmates. Dan Garipay did not set traps for them as was suggested because Lynn's child would be hurt by whatever would be done with the trapped hens. As usual...no good deed goes unpunished.

What would be a viable option to curtail this type of encroachment on a neighbor's property?

Sincerely,
Donna Wyre

After review and discussion the Board chose to take this letter under advisement.

Letter/Lutz Wallem/Energy Source/Quest:

The Board reviewed the letter from Lutz Wallem and requested Sandy to schedule him for the next meeting.

Letter/State of NH/UNH/Wants our CAMA data:

The Board reviewed the request from the State of NH to share copies of our parcel maps and assessment databases in effort to pilot the new Mosaic Parcel Map System. This project is part of Department of Revenue Administration's way of streamlining internal processes that aid in support of disaster relief/response, regional planning, fair and equitable property tax assessment and equalization. At no point will the town's information be made public or sold in any format. Jim motioned to allow the Department of Revenue access to the town records. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Other Business:

Signed Checks.

Candy Mellett notified the town that this will be the 35th consecutive year that the St. Johnsbury Band has been playing at the common on July 4th. She would like to see some type of recognition. Joel will present the band with a plaque the night of the concert.

Sandy will contact New Hampshire Electric to see if they can fix the lights under the overpasses and will send them a list of all the street lights that are out.

MOTION:

At 8:10 PM a motion was made and seconded to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) Personnel

Roll Call: Chairman, Joel Bourassa, Yes, Jim Fadden, Yes, Gil Rand, Yes. Administrative Assistant, Sandy Dovholuk, present.

At 8:35 PM the Board of Selectmen came out of non-public session.

Selectmen, Jim Fadden motioned to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

VOTED 3-0

Motion made by Joel to adjourn at 8:38, seconded by Jim. Vote in the affirmative.