

Selectmen's Meeting
11/18/13

Chairman Harry C. Merrow called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM. Present were: Robert C. Freeman, Richard H. Morgan and Martha B. Eldridge, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting held on Nov. 4, 2013 with a correction. Morgan stated that on page # 3 paragraph # 1 a motion was made to have the town report done in-house this year. There was no second and no vote. The motion on the 4th was made by Morgan, Merrow seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Merrow seconded this motion with the correction. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow reported that the bids received for the Ambulance Contract have been rejected. A new RFP has been done and the notice for bids has been sent to the newspapers. The bids received were too high. Care-Plus/N. C. Ambulance has extended the contract we now have with them until 4-01-14.

The Board received a notice from the Moderator at Governor Wentworth Regional High School informing them of the deliberative session for the annual school district meeting that will be hold on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at 10:00 am. The Board asked Eldridge to post this notice.

The Board received the weekly reports from November 4 thru Nov. 8th and November 11th thru November 15th from the Highway Department.

The payroll voucher for the week ending 11/09/13 was submitted in the amount of \$43,080.10. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The accounts payable voucher for the week ending 11/09/13 was submitted in the amount of \$15,778.65. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The payroll voucher for the week ending 11/16/13 was submitted in the amount of \$44,596.48. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The accounts payable voucher for the week ending 11/16/13 was submitted in the amount of \$193,340.51. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Contract for Use of Facilities was received from Gail Montgomery of Ossipee Main St. to use the gym on 11/30/13 all day for an Indoor Yard Sale. Merrow made a motion to approve this contract. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Contract for Use of Facilities was received from Amanda Lombardi of Ossipee Old Home Week to use the gym on 12/01/13 from 4:00 PM thru 7:00 PM to hold a Ladies Night Fundraiser. Merrow made a motion to approve this contract. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received an application for a Raffle Permit from the Village Hams. The date and time of the drawing is 12/13/13 at 8:30 PM. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this permit. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A copy of a check from NRRA in the amount of \$906.62 for recycling materials was received.

Two letters of appointment were presented and signed for Jane terKuile and Denise Castle. They will be serving as Library Trustee Alternates.

A request to the Trustees of Trust Funds to issue a check from the Invasive Species Control Expendable Trust Fund in the amount of \$11,462.00 payable to Aquatic Control Technology for milfoil treatment was received. Merrow made a motion to sign this request. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A request to the Trustees of Trust Funds to issue a check from the Highway Dept. Equipment Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$34,000.00 payable to the Town of Ossipee for reimbursement for the purchase of a 2013 GNC Sierra Pickup Truck was received. Merrow made a motion to sign this request. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A request for an Elderly Exemption was received. The applicant did not meet the requirements. Merrow made a motion to deny the request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a request to meet with the Town of Madison in reference to an area wide Ambulance Service. The Board had agreed to meet with the Town of Effingham at the time and possibly meet with Madison at a later date.

The contract with the Lakes Region Humane Society was presented with the corrections that the Board wanted made. The contract was reviewed and another change was needed. The Board asked Eldridge to schedule a meeting with them for next week.

The Board received an unsigned letter of complaint in reference to a property located on Elm Street Ext. The Board stated that the Zoning Officer is aware of this property and is working on it.

The Board received an e-mail from a property owner renting on Ossipee Lake. The e-mail praised the outstanding workers at the Recycling Facility. He stated what good workers Ron and Bonnie are.

The Board received an invoice from the W & S Dept. in the amount of \$169.29. This invoice was for work done by the W & S Dept. The Board was not clear on the timing and the charges. They did not approve payment at this time.

The Board received a Survey on Workforce Housing. The Board did not agree with the survey and chose not to do it.

The Board received an invitation to attend a meeting "Public Health & Prevention in Carroll County". Merrow stated that he will be attending this meeting.

The monthly Recycling Center Daily Cash Log for October 2013 is \$3,903.90.

The Board received the Property-Liability Trust, Inc. Renewal Confirmation paperwork. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this document. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An application for a sign permit was received from Joe Dieghan. After review of the application, Merrow made a motion to approve the permit. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. The board requested that Dave Senecal review the application.

The Board received a Notice of Gilford Planning Board & Zoning Board of Adjustment Public Hearing to be held on Dec. 16th regarding installation of wireless cell towers.

Freeman asked Harriman the status of the new signs for the Transfer Station referencing charges. Harriman said he will be working with E. White on the regulations.

Morgan stated that with the loss of Ray Burton all of New Hampshire lost the best advocate in Concord for the State.

Morgan stated that new businesses are being proposed in Ossipee and he made a motion to send a welcoming letter and offering any assistance the Board can provide. Eldridge was asked to write to the businesses.

Morgan thanked Pat Jones for the hard work on the Economic Committee, but stated that she has worked alone for a long time and she needs help. Jim Fitzpatrick was asked to help in the venture to bring new business to Ossipee. Fitzpatrick agreed to this but will be seeking help also.

The Selectmen continued the budget schedule as follows:

The enclosed spreadsheet shows the amounts requested by the Outside Agencies and vote by the Board.

Outside Agency	2014 Dept Requests	2014	Selectmen's Vote
		Selectmen Request	
OSSIPEE CONCERNED CITIZENS	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	3-0
CENTRAL NH VNA & HOSPICE	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	3-0
NORTHERN HUMAN SERVICES	\$4,425.00	\$4,425.00	3-0
TRI-COUNTY CAP	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	3-0
L.I.F.E. MINISTRIES FOOD PANTRY	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	2-1
WHITE MTN COMM HEALTH	\$4,033.00	\$4,033.00	3-0
OSSIPEE CHILDRENS FUN	\$17,500.00	\$17,500.00	3-0
STARTING POINT	\$2,466.00	\$2,466.00	3-0
SCHOOLS OUT	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	2-0 (1 Abst.)
OSSIPEE REVITALIZATION GROUP	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00	3-0
APPALACHIAN MTN. TEEN PROJECT	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	3-0
AGAPE MINISTRIES	\$0.00	\$0.00	3-0
MEDICATION BRIDGE	\$1,422.00	\$2,000.00	3-0
OSSIPEE HISTORICAL SO	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	3-0
OCC DAY CARE	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	3-0
KINGSWOOD YOUTH CTR.	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	3-0
CASA	\$500.00	\$0.00	3-0
LIFE BRIDGE	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	3-0
CARROLL COUNTY TRANSIT	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	3-0
CAREGIVERS OF SOUTHERN C.C.	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	3-0
FREEDOM FOOD PANTRY	\$5,000.00	\$8,000.00	2-1
TOTAL	\$124,546.00	\$127,624.00	

The Registration Budget was discussed. The salary amounts were originally listed as \$17,115.00. The Board asked the Supervisors to reduce this amount down to \$13,500.00. The reason the Board asked for the reduction is that they are working on a special project now and the amount of time needed next year should be reduced. Tully agreed to reduce this amount. Merrow made a motion to recommend this change. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

This concluded the business portion of the meeting and Merrow opened the meeting to public input.

Condict Billings stated that the Trustees of Trust Funds are having a problem with the payments being made direct to vendors and wants to know if the Town should be paying vendors and asking the Trust for reimbursement. Billings will be working with White to settle the way the payments are to be made.

Billings asked the status of the property on Jude Blvd. Merrow stated that it will be going out to bid. Billings stated that it is a mess and something should be done about it Morgan agreed to take a look at the property.

Carolyn Carruth spoke to the Board in reference to pot holes on Long Sands Rd. Harriman agreed to take a look at the road.

Melissa Seamans asked why the Ambulance Contract bids were rejected. Merrow stated that they were too high and the town cannot afford this cost. CarePlus/North Conway Ambulance service extended the contract now in effect until April 1, 2014.

Seamans asked why the invoice from Water & Sewer is not being paid. The Board responded by saying they would not pay the bill for a frozen water pipe in August.

Harriman stated that the bridges are posted by the State recommendations and he will look into the bridge in question on the Mountain Rd.

Seamans asked if the Welfare Director is appointed or elected. The Board told her they are hired.

Being no further input, Merrow made a motion to adjourn. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Adjourned at 6:30 pm

Harry C. Merrow, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Richard H. Morgan

To be approved 11/25/13