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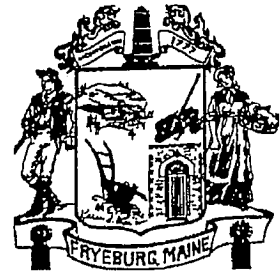
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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2009

Held at the Rescue Building

Quorum was declared and Pledge of Allegiance was said.  
Public Hearing on Vehicle Weight Restrictions

The Draft Ordinance was read section by section by Selectman Hall. Several suggestions were made by those in attendance.

In section 4, Peter Fletcher suggested adding Hay to letter F, Ken Brown suggested adding Harvested Crops, and Eric Bloomberg suggested Forestry Products outside of Mud Season.

Much discussion ensued and concerns and requests to add were duly noted.

In Section 6, Peter Fletcher didn't think the fine was high enough. In some instances, the fine is cheaper than court costs would be. Ken Brown suggested graduated fines may work better, with 1<sup>st</sup> offense being \$500.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense \$1,000.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense \$3,000.00 etc etc. Bill Mosher asked what the suggested weight limit was, and was answered that right now it is no more than 23,000 lbs. Selectman Hall stated that this proposed ordinance is obviously an effort to protect and preserve our Roads. This will be used as guidelines for certain roads.

Paul Naughton said that Section 3 paragraph 3 makes him extremely nervous. The way it reads is the Town could just close a road at will with no public input. He suggested a Public Hearing prior to any "permanent" restrictions. It was stated that an add would be placed with proper notice and a Public Hearing would take place prior to any such closings.

Eric Bloomberg thought 32 degrees is not strict enough alone and should be determined by the Road Commissioner. Bridges could be frozen, but pavement may not be frozen enough. Kent Pigeon stated that Dirt Roads should fall under the same guidelines as paved roads. Martin Krauter said that the draft should say "Acting" Road Commissioner.

The Selectmen will take all input under advisement. Public Hearing closed at 6:30pm.

Regular meeting started at 6:30pm with the Treasurer's Report. Selectman Hall requested variance reports along with account update that is currently given. (Appropriations to date) so we can see where we are vs. where we should be. It was duly noted and will be provided at future meetings.

Manager's Report:

1. Grader has arrived, is being gone over by Chadwick-BaRoss in Portland and should arrive in Fryeburg by Monday the 19<sup>th</sup>.
2. Municipal Valuation for State needs to be done. Would you like to A. go line by line with Denis, or B. Accept as is, sign and date. Cliff wants to look over, Martin to make copies to go over.
3. Heating Oil Bids: the Academy's current bid price is 5 cents over what we are currently paying. The Board chose to stay with current local Company and not bid out.
4. Mowing Contract: Procom's contract is up, would you like to put it out to bid now, also, what's your pleasure on the parks? Cliff would like to combine all mowing. Bradley park was mentioned specifically and it was determined to research all properties and how they are handled now, and see if it's worth it to combine everything.

Tom Klinepeter wanted to know when the East Fryeburg Fire Station bids were going out? Martin said they were scheduled next.

Cliff would like to redo the Sidewalk plowing bids. They were done with a 12 storm November to May 15<sup>th</sup>. He was concerned that they were opened and read prior to the meeting. He wants to set a policy that bids are not opened until Selectmen open them in public forum. Martin stated they were opened to review and make sure they were apples to apples, rather than take up valuable time in a meeting. Cliff had hoped to discuss the process prior to the opening. We had problems with a previous bid process and isn't that why we should open them prior?

Clyde Watson wanted to know if anyone wanted to know how it has worked for the last 21 years, or are they going to change it with out knowing. He plowed 47 times for 21 storms last season and the sand clean up at the end of the season is included in the bid. There was much discussion on why specs were changed from previous years, if no one had any info on how it worked. A map of the sidewalks currently plowed was shown to Cliff. Clyde wanted to know whose idea it was to change the specs, and no one know?? Dick Krasker commented on what a huge advantage it was to have a local person plowing the sidewalks, versus having to travel from another town to do so. There was also much discussion on what the season would be.

Cliff moved to withdraw all current bids, have them destroyed, and request new bids from current bidders for the entire season regardless of dates on a per year price for the next 3 fiscal years. It was determined to have the bids remain sealed until October 22, 2009 meeting, at which time they are to be opened in Public. Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> and motion carried 3 – 0.

The Selectmen went into Executive Session at the Town Office at 7:40pm. Selectmen came out of Executive Session at 8:20pm

Public Forum:

Dick Krasker told the Selectmen that the Parks Committee met on Wednesday night and that Canal Bridge had electrical issues, DM Electric to do an appraisal for cost of upgrading the system. They will send it to Dick and Bill Perry from the State free of

charge. Mr Perry at the State will then tell the Parks Committee what portion needs to be done prior to opening next spring. The project will then go out to bid. It hasn't been completed thus far because they are already in the red over the bath house. They will bring it to the voters to raise money for it at Town Meeting or raise it privately at no cost to taxpayers. The Tree work will be done this fall, 5 will come down and 2 more are dangerous. Martin will shut off the power and lock up the campground. Cliff wanted to know if the wood from the trees taken down could be used for Towns people in need. Peter Fletcher wanted to know who is the company doing the electrical eval and are they licensed and insured and qualified. That part should belong to the Town Manager and the Selectmen, and whose authority is Dick Krasker acting on. Emily Fletcher said that the parks meeting should have been taped and televised to keep everyone honest and above board. Peter and Dick engaged in a personal "discussion" and Cliff reminded them that they needed to address the board, not each other.

Dick went on to address the board saying that the wiring at Canal Bridge is very old and needs upgrading, but the Bathhouse was more urgent this summer. They have 5 years of upgrades and they are waiting for the State Electrical Inspector to tell them which need to be done first. The Parks Committee is doing the best they can with the funds they have.

Much discussion ensued as to what should have been done vs. what was done. Tom Klinepeter said that the Board knew about these things and they still awarded the bid to the lessor. They didn't realize how bad the electrical situation was. The Bathhouse is very nice by the way.

Bill Mosher asked if there was a policy on inspecting Town Properties for safety issues. Peter then said we should have our insurance company go over them. Martin to call and set up inspection.

Bill Mosher as Budget Chair would like to set up a meeting with Town Manager and Selectmen to clarify the Budget Committees role and make sure they are all on the same page. Time to be set up at the October 22 meeting.

Liquor License renewal was moved by Ed and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom for Olde Saco Inn. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Special Amusement Permit was moved by Ed and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom for interior amusement only for 302 Roadhouse. Motion carried 3 – 0.

#### Appointments:

Planning Board - Mike Holtgreffe was reappointed as a regular member on a motion from Tom and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed. Motion carried 3 – 0. John Weston to full member on a motion from Tom and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed. Motion carried 3 – 0. After much discussion, Ed moved and Cliff 2<sup>nd</sup> appointment of William Mosher as a regular member and Judy Redding as an alternate member of the Planning Board for the vacancies. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Appeals Board – Ed moved and Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> the appointment of Kimberly Clarke, regular member and Anita Alberti-Hafford as alternate member. Motion carried 2 – 1.

Parks Committee- Ed moved and Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> appointment of Dean Baker to fill vacancy. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Budget Committee tabled til October 22 to get list of names Tom had, but not with him.

Library Committee – Ed moved and Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> appointment of Maxine Andrews and Bill Lawrence. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Cemetery Committee – Ed moved and Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> appointment of John Kremer and David Smith. Motions carried 3 – 0.

Bradley Park Committee – needs clarification, tabled until received.

Conservation Committee- What are their duties? Tabled on a motion by Cliff and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed. Motion carries 3 – 0.

Beautification Committee – 2 active members. Tom moved and Ed 2<sup>nd</sup> to reappoint Tracy Eng and Jennifer Regan. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Fryeburg Industrial Zone Committee – It was moved by Cliff and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed to appoint Bill Harriman Jr and Kimberly Clarke. Motion carried 2 – 1.

Recycling Committee – Elaine Wilkey was appointed on a motion by Tom and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cliff. Motion carried 2 – 0 – 1.

New Business:

Tom moved and Ed 2<sup>nd</sup> to transfer the small building at the Old Town Garage to the Interstate SnoGoers snowmobile club. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Town Meeting date was tabled till 10/22.

Rescue Building transfer was also tabled till 10/22.

Cliff moved and Ed 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn at 10:45pm. Motion carried 3 – 0.