

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes  
Monday, July 16, 2012

Present: Vice-Chairman Darcy, Selectmen Ebbighausen, Rideout, Schill, and TA Collins. Excused: Chairman Smith.

6:00 p.m. Chairman Darcy called the meeting to order.

The Selectmen reviewed the manifests.

6:30 p.m. Chairman Darcy opened the public hearing regarding the Animal Control Ordinance.

7:15 p.m. Return to regular session.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to approve the amended Animal Control Ordinance with noted changes, second by Rideout. The vote was as follows: Rideout – I; Darcy – I; Ebbighausen – I; Schill – abstained. Motion passes.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion approve the public and non-public minutes of June 25, 2012 and July 2, 2012, second by Schill. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to sign the manifest of July 2<sup>nd</sup>; July 9<sup>th</sup>; and July 16<sup>th</sup>, second by Rideout. The vote was as follows: Rideout – I; Darcy – I; Ebbighausen – I; Schill – abstained due to personal mileage reimbursements. Motion passes.

Selectmen reviewed the 2012 Valuation Update Summary. The Selectmen would like to have a representative of Vision come to a Selectmen's Meeting to discuss the assessing process. The Selectmen would like to invite Director Steve Hamilton, DRA to the meeting too.

TA Collins read a thank you note to the Board from Maria Shaw and family.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to approve the appointment paper for Maria Shaw, Tax Collector, second by Schill. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to approve the appointment paper for James MacDonald, Budget Committee, second by Schill. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to approve the appointment paper for Todd Faulkner, Police Chief, second by Schill. The vote was as follows: Rideout – I; Darcy – I; Ebbighausen – I; Schill – abstained. Motion passes.

Selectman Schill made a motion to approve the abatement in the amount of \$27.35 water user fee and \$66.00 sewer user fee for Financial Freedom Acquisitions for 65 Highland Avenue, second by Ebbighausen. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to approve the tax abatement in the amount of \$863.85 for NH Housing Finance Authority - 49 Brattleboro Road, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

TA Collins informed the board that Officer Tollet has been approved for ICAC training and Officer Wright has completed Safe Streets Violent Crimes Task Force Survival Training Officer Wright was awarded "Top Gun" of a class of 38.

TA Collins informed the Board that Primex entered into a Risk Pool Practices Agreement with the NH Secretary of State. They are returning a surplus to Hinsdale in the amount of \$30,510.52 for worker's comp. This surplus has been credited to our July 1 2012-July 1, 2013 worker's comp bill, therefore, there will be no worker comp payments this year. We still have a credit of \$3,756.52.

We are currently advertising for a Police Lt. The closing period is July 26<sup>th</sup>.

Employee evaluations are almost completed. The PD is using a new format and TA Collins is waiting for their evaluations. The Selectmen would like to review evaluations at their next meeting of July 30<sup>th</sup>. They will also do TA Collins evaluation at that time.

Selectman Rideout stated Judy Carrier would like to fill the vacant position on the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee will be discussing this on Wednesday evening.

Selectman Ebbighausen discussed the lawn party that took place a few weeks ago. Selectman Darcy and Ebbighausen cooked hamburgers. Selectman Darcy took 1<sup>st</sup> place for BBQ chicken wings.

Selectman Schill stated Bruce Bellville is interest in serving on the Budget Committee. Schill reiterated the need to do TA Collins review; and the meeting with DRA and vision.

Selectman Schill asked for an update on closing June 30, 2012. TA Collins stated we are waiting for the June and year-end report from the Treasurer. Department Heads are reviewing their expense reports and will note discrepancies for Alicia and Jill to review. Selectman Darcy discussed getting historical data for this coming budget season – 4 to 5 years if possible. Selectman Ebbighausen would like to see year end percentages. The goal is to have reports available by the end of July.

Selectman Schill stated he has received some complaints regarding speeding on Meetinghouse Road and Oxbow Road.

Selectman Darcy would like to have the Chief come in on August 13<sup>th</sup> for his first meeting with the board to discuss goals and objectives.

TA Collins will arrange a swearing in ceremony for Chief Faulkner. It will be during a weeknight.

Selectman Schill asked where we are at with deeding the Masonic Lodge. A letter has been sent with a deadline. TA Collins will check with the tax collector to see if payment arrangements have been made.

Selectman Schill asked about the Mitchell property off of Butler Avenue. DES does have an order on the property and she will check with Rod to see if there has been any progress on cleaning the property.

Selectman Darcy stated we should revisit the overtime/vacation policy in the near future.

James MacDonald asked if Selectman Smith had an opportunity to speak to DOT regarding Route 119.

8:30 p.m. Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to enter into a non-public session under RSA 91:A-3, II, a - personnel, second by Schill. Vote was as follows: Darcy – I; Ebbighausen – I; Rideout – I; Schill – I. Motion passes unanimously.

8:35 p.m. return to regular session.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to seal the minutes, second by Schill. Vote was as follows: Darcy – 1; Ebbighausen – 1; Rideout – 1; Schill – 1; Smith - 1. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to retain Wayne Gallagher on the Police Department as a certified officer to help support the school efforts as a truant officer at the expense of the school and if there is an expense on the town's part this will need to be revisited, second by Rideout. Motion passed unanimously.

8:40 p.m. Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to adjourn, second by Selectman Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Collins  
Town Administrator