Arrowsic Selectmen's Meeting

June 24, 2013

Present: Sukey Heard, Michele Gaillard, Bill Savedoff, Mary McDonald

Atty. Rufus Brown

Treasurer's Report and Warrant:

Warrant # 23 (\$51,076.71) was reviewed, approved and signed.

Ambulance Contract:

The Selectmen signed a contract with the City of Bath to provide ambulance service to the Town. The rates rose slightly to \$265 per call.

Executive Session:

In accordance with Title 1, M.R.S.A 406, Section 6, Paragraph E, the Selectmen entered into executive session at 6:40 pm for a discussion of the status of the West Bath lawsuit with attorney Rufus Brown. The regular meeting resumed at 7:55 pm.

General Assistance:

In accordance with Title 22, M.R.S.A. 4306, the Selectmen entered into executive session at 8:00 pm to discuss a General Assistance case. The regular meeting resumed at 8:15 pm

Properties Issues:

The Selectmen discussed the funding of a vegetative buffer between the new Fire Station and the Blaiklock property as originally included in the construction budget. Sukey indicated that the Fire Dept. Boosters had agreed to provide the funds for the project from their coffers.

Education Review Committee:

The Selectmen discussed how best to move the formation of the committee forward. Bill will contact those people who have indicated an interest in the committee and call a meeting with the goal of discussing both the needs of the Town and the ideas of the potential members and coming up with mutually agreed upon terms of reference.

Town Hall Internet Access:

Bill reported that he had contacted Fair Point Communications and signed the Town up for Expansion PAC1 monthly service including 2 lines (fax and voice), unlimited domestic calls, special ring on fax, and DSL for \$55/month. Bill will install a wireless router/modem.

Arrow Delivery:

The Selectmen discussed the problems with the current delivery system including cost and waste of paper. Because the Arrow is funded by the Town and often used as an official vehicle to disseminate Town information, it is important that residents are given as open access as possible. The Selectmen discussed using the website as the primary publishing method, which could be announced with a group email. We would continue to mail to those who request a paper copy. Bill advocated for a survey of the Town that would ask how they would like to receive important town information, including the Arrow.

Overnight Parking at Town Hall:

Sukey has received some comments regarding the use of the Town Hall parking lot by persons unknown who are not engaged in business with the Town. The Selectmen do not want to restrict carpooling but discussed the problems this causes, especially in the winter in terms of snow plowing. The Selectmen decided to investigate a "No Overnight Parking" sign, which could be posted on the recycling shed in the winter only.

Welcome Letter:

Bill has volunteered to resurrect the welcome letter project, which would allow us to get important information to new residents in a timely manner. The letter would be handed out by the Town Clerk or Tax Collector who often are the first to meet new people.

Minutes:

Minutes for 6/10/13 were approved as written. Sukey will send to Paul Kalkstein to post on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Respectfully submitted, Michele Gaillard