AROWSIC SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

May 26, 2014 6:00 pm

IN ATTENDANCE: Sukey Heard, Bill Savedoff, Michele Gaillard, Mary McDonald, John Hinds, Michael Kreindler, Ken Gunston & Linda Warner

WARRANT & TREASURER'S REPORT:

Warrant #22 (\$4,638.39) was reviewed and approved by the selectmen.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 12, 2014:

Minutes were approved as amended.

TOWN CLERK REPORT:

Linda attended a Record Keeping class in Bangor. She reported on some of the highlights of the class.

MEETING WITH JOHN HINDS:

John Hinds has resigned as chair of the Recycling & Solid Waste Committee. The Selectmen expressed their gratitude for his service and accepted his resignation. John has served on the committee for 11 years. John will be available to pass knowledge on to the committee. John had some suggestions for the committee and the town:

- 1) The web site needs to be updated and improved.
- 2) Hold a public meeting and find out what the residents are actually looking for from the committee. E.g. Enforcement of ordinances, availability or more services. Or, send a survey asking for both pros and cons of the current status quo.
- 3) In the transition from paper to email with town communications, we might be missing people who aren't getting emails, which should be of concern.

The board thanks John Hinds for his many years of service to the Town of Arrowsic.

COPIER ISSUES:

The back office copier needs to be replaced. Bill is researching the options. The board has tabled the discussion until July 14th.

ARROW - ADDITIONAL SUBMISSIONS?

The deadline for submissions is today, the 26th. Quinn Blaiklok has put together this quarter's issue. Bill will run labels prior to Friday, Sukey will pick up the stamps, Linda will run the copies and Nancy Stump Brown will stuff and mail the Arrow. MailChimp email notices will be sent out to alert residents that the Arrow is available.

COMPUTERS:

The computer in the front office runs on XP and it may be time to replace it. The board has tabled the discussion until July 14th.

REVIEW ELECTRICAL BID AS WELL AS OTHER PROPERTY ISSUES THAT MIGHT BE ABLE TO BE COMPLETED IN THIS FISCAL YEAR:

Michael Kreindler contacted Mark Cummings, John Belanger and Steve White and asked them to give him bids for the work that needs to be done on the town hall. Steve White is not licensed for commercial work and John Belanger said he is was too busy. Mark Cummings prepared two bids – one for underground wiring and one for overhead wiring. The underground wiring bid was for \$4,250, as well as \$300 - 400 for a trench and the overhead wiring bid was for \$2000 plus the cost of a bit of tree trimming. The insurance carrier has determined that we need to move the electrical box from the front entry.

Additional work that needs to be done: Replacing the wiring in the ceiling and making the overhead lights safer, adding appropriate receptacles to the back office, removing of non-functioning electric baseboard heaters. The cost will be about \$1500 - 1600.

Bill made a motion to go with the bid that used overhead wiring and get the work done this fiscal year. Michele seconded the motion and all were in favor. The motion passed unanimously. Mark needs to provide his Certificate of Liability Insurance, listing Arrowsic on the certificate. Also, if he has employees he needs to provide proof of Worker's Compensation Insurance or notification from the State that he is considered an Independent Contractor. The board thanks Michael Kreindler for his service in obtaining these bids.

VETERAN'S GRAVES – TOWN'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

Sukey reported that the state has determined that it is the municipalities responsibility to maintain Veteran's gravesites from May to September. Arrowsic, however, does not have any public cemeteries. The private cemeteries are maintained by the families who own the properties.

APPOINTMENT TO RECYCLING/SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE:

Ros Arienti and Paul Schlein were appointed to serve on the Recycling/Solid Waste Committee by the selectmen. Paul has agreed to serve as the "contact person" for the committee. Ros and Paul will be in to take their oaths at the town office.

DISCUSSION OF COMPENSATION FOR COMPLETED COMMUNITY SERVICE:

A motion was made by Sukey to credit \$200 from surplus toward covering a resident's back taxes in exchange for community service performed. Motion seconded by Michele and passed unanimously.

TOWN MEETING ODDS AND ENDS?

Rachel Detwiler is our only graduating senior and will receive our scholarship and has agreed to deliver the town report to the residents.

The fire department will clean the building, Sukey has ordered the chairs from Taylor Rental and Michele will get the podium from Bowdoin College as well as get the ice water and cookies. Sukey will call Peter Goodwin and Bill and Sukey will meet with him to review the moderator's duties.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Selectmen signed the RSU1 Election notice following a motion to sign said warrant. Chris will post the warrants on Thursday.

MAIL:

MMA sent letters to the selectmen asking them to suggest ideas for the 2015-2016 Legislative Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

Brian Elwell will be re-roofing the town office this coming weekend. He will also be doing the landing at the fire station.

The letter has been sent to a resident who is in violation of the septic ordinance on Friday May 23rd.

ADJOURN:

8:28pm