ARROWSIC SELECTMEN’S MEETING MINUTES
MAY 11, 2015
In attendance: Sukey Heard, Bill Savedoff, Michele Gaillard, Mary McDonald, Michael Kreindler, Phine Ewing, Karen Robbins, Wendy Ross, Tom Eichler, Paul Schlein & Linda Warner.
Open: 6:00PM

Warrant and Treasurers Report:
Warrant #21 ($39,005.65) was reviewed and approved by the Selectmen.

Review Warrant and Annual Report:
The Selectmen and Mary reviewed the information gathered for the Warrant and the Annual Report. Sukey will email Mary a copy of the corrected Warrant as prepared by Michele. Mary reports that things are looking good.

Accept Tax Ration Declaration and authorize signature:
The Selectmen approved the 76% Tax Ratio Declaration; Sukey and Bill signed the Declaration.

Minutes:
The minutes of April 27, 2015 were reviewed and approved as amended by the Selectmen.

Town Clerk’s Report:
Linda reported that the June 9th RSU1 Election will run from Noon until 8:00 PM. She will also call Belinda (the cleaning lady) to come in and clean the office.

Meet with Preble Point residents regarding landscaping at 6:45 PM:
Tom Eichler and Wendy Ross requested a meeting with the Selectmen to discuss a request for permission to improve the town property which is adjacent to their property. (See attached letter.) Also present at the meeting were Michal Kreindler, Phine Ewing and Karen Robbins.
At the start of the meeting, Karen Robbins requested permission to speak, she requested an opinion on whether this was the right venue (Board Meeting) for this meeting. Sukey confirmed that as the Town Officials, the Selectmen were indeed the proper authority on hearing the request from Wendy Ross and Tom Eichler. She also stated that Phine Ewing was there to represent the Conservation Committee. Bill proposed having the Selectmen hear and review the proposal and they will then make the decision on who the appropriate body of town government will make the final decision.
Karen also questioned whether we knew, for a fact, that the State had indeed turned over the property under discussion to the town. This information will be verified.
Michael reported that he is clear on what will need a Conditional Use Permit on the Ross/Eichler property. He can’t issue a Conditional Use Permit on the town property. Michael must approve all Shoreland restrictions.
Bill outlined 5 questions to be answered before he thinks the town can consider the proposal:
* Whether the Town has clear ownership of the land
* Whether the proposal addresses Environmental and Ordinance issues.
* Whether the Road Committee has any concerns with the proposal
* How the proposal would affect public use of the property.
* How the town’s future options can be safeguarded.

Michael reminded the Selectmen that the prior owners were doing the same thing with the property and that the current owners have been very cooperative.

Karen suggested that we ask the Roads and Conservations Committees to opine on the proposal.

Mike will visit the site tomorrow (5/12/15) and the residents have invited the various government bodies to visit the site as well.

The various committees will meet and discuss the proposal. The residents were invited to attend the May 26th meeting at 6:30 PM and the Select Board committed to finding out what procedures we need to follow.

**Approve Harassment and Sexual Harassment Policy:**
This has been tabled until next Selectmen’s meeting.

**Review tax map proposal:**
Sukey reported that we have received a proposal from Aerial Survey & Photography for new tax maps at a cost of $1400. Bill offered a motion and Michele seconded the motion. All were in favor. Sukey will sign the contract effective after June 30th.

**Sign RSU1 Warrant:**
Bill moved and Michele seconded the motion. All the Selectmen voted in favor.

**Review end of year Properties needs:**
The only outstanding project for the current year is the apron for the fire station.

**Mail:**
Sagadahoc County Board of Health sent a letter outlining the duties of Local Health Officer.

Sagadahoc County Emergency Training for Officials will be in June.

**Old Business:**
Bill reported that he has spoken with Kathleen Mary regarding the Public Health Nurse position. Sukey will check with Pauline McLuer to see if she and Kathleen have talked about the requirements of the position. Bill suggests that we should ask Kathleen to come to a meeting and chat with her. They will invite her to the June 22nd meeting.
Other:

Michael Kreindler reported that the only thing left to do at the town office is the floor. He will be looking into the best materials to use in re-finishing the floor.

Karen Robbins reported that the invoice from Shadler Concrete was not clear on the billing for the Fire station side pad, which will be an additional $1100. The Selectmen approved the extra $1100.

Adjourn: 8:34 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Warner
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- Numerous plantings
- Reseeding the existing but eroding lawn
- Resurfacing the existing driveway with fresh ¾ stone
- Removing an existing slope at the base of the house foundation by adding a natural stone terrace with native plantings
- Setting natural fieldstones in the grass to connect the front steps to the driveway and reduce erosion and mud from foot traffic
- Replace the existing rotten fence with new identical split rails

Request for permission:

Because of the unusual nature of this property, the front yard of the house is owned by the town within 5 feet of the foundation. Our hope is that we may be granted legal standing by the town to improve the adjacent property given its proximity to the house. Our request to the town of Arrowsic is that we be granted permission to complete this work as outlined, overseen by the Code Enforcement Officer, in compliance with all state and local ordinances and with the understanding that the town relinquishes no rights to the property whatsoever.
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