

ARROWSIC SELECTMEN'S MEETING JANUARY 13, 2014

In attendance: Sukey Heard, Michele Gaillard, Bill Savedoff, Mary McDonald & Linda Warner

WARRANT & TREASURER'S REPORT:

Warrant #13 (\$255,998.29 plus \$392.00 (City of Bath) \$256,380.29). Reviewed and Approved.

MINUTES OF DEC 9TH SELECTMEN'S MEETING (AND DISCUSSION OF FOLLOW-UP OF DEC 8TH MEETING) & MINUTES OF DEC 20TH:

The Selectmen approved the documents for the Dec 8th Action Plan Meeting. They have also approved the minutes for the Dec 20th meeting.

CONTRACT FOR SHOVELING FIRE STATION WHILE THEY ARE THERE FOR THE GENERATOR:

The Fire Station side door needs to be shoveled when they are shoveling around the generator. Sukey will talk with Mark Jorgensen about having his crew do this.

APPOINT AMY SMITH AS REGISTRAR:

Michele made the motion to appoint Amy Smith as Registrar, Sukey seconded, Bill abstained from voting. All in favor. Linda will swear Amy in as Town Registrar.

TOWN HALL MICE ISSUE:

We will monitor the situation and purchase Odor Absorber to reduce fumes.

BACK ROOM COMPUTER DISCUSSION:

Discussion postponed until January 27th.

BACK ROOM RENOVATION DISCUSSION:

John Starbird has painted the back office and Michael Kreindler has done the touchups and is putting the room back together. Thank you to them both.

REPORT ON GA MEETING:

Both Michele and Mary were in attendance at the GA (General Assistance) Meeting. The presentation was on the rules & regulations of GA. If a resident is dissatisfied with the ruling of the GA Manager they can file an appeal with the Fair Hearing Board (Sukey Heard, Bill Savedoff, and Mary McDonald).

The 2013 Model Ordinance needs to be passed – There will be a public meeting on the 27th prior to the Selectmen's meeting. Sukey will post ordinance in the newspaper, on the kiosk and on the website prior to selectmen's meeting.

GENERATOR SERVICING AT FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Bill will check with Chris Cummings to see if the generator is being routinely maintained.

DISCUSS A WEX CARD FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The State of Maine (which includes municipalities if they so desire to make use of it) has signed a contract with WEX Fleet Management to use their credit card to purchase fuel at gas stations. The contract does cover the merchants that we do already use, parameters can be set on cards as to who and how the cards are used. Transaction reports are sent to the Municipality and a rebate of 1 ½% is received at end of year. Bill will look into the Wex card and Michele and Sukey approve.

DO WE NEED A PUBLIC MEETING ON THE WEST BATH LAW SUIT?:

The Selectmen will put updates in The Arrow and on the website.

SCHEDULE A PUBLIC MEETING TO PRESENT AN EXPLANATION OF THE EDUCATION GROUP'S PROGRESS AND POTENTIAL PROPOSALS:

Bill reported that the committee looking at educational issues for Arrowsic has been discussing the creation of a standing committee which will gather and share (in accordance with the state laws) information to the residents of Arrowsic. The proposal is for an Education Committee with 5 people on it. Bill will talk with RSU1 to let them know what the intent of the committee is. The Selectmen agreed to proceed and share the information with residents. Bill will arrange for posting online and mailing the information with The Arrow.

There will be a public meeting on March 13 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall to discuss the draft ordinance for creating an Education Committee. Based on feedback, it will be revised before submitting to the town for approval at the Annual Meeting in June.

ABATEMENT REQUEST FROM MARK ARSENAULT (map 4/Lot7):

Selectmen responded to a request for an abatement. Records amended to reflect corrections on the acreage owned by Mr. Arsenault. He will receive a refund on this year's property taxes that reflect the correction.

DISCUSS DOING TAX MAPS FOR 2014:

The Selectmen will review the need for updating the tax maps.

SIGN WELCOME LETTER:

A Welcome Letter for new residents was updated. It will also be given to the local real estate agents to give out to potential buyers.

NEXT STEP ON ARROW DISTRIBUTION AND SURVEY RESULTS:

Sukey met with Quinn Blaiklock to discuss The Arrow. We had 125 people respond to the survey sent out in October. Residents were asked to choose whether they wanted to continue to receive the newsletter by mail or opt to have the information sent by email. We will continue to print about 50 copies of The Arrow. They will possibly be printed at the office and we will have some extra copies on hand for residents who stop by the office and request them as well as send them out to the people who requested the mailings. Bill Savedoff has consolidated the information from the surveys and will put it into useful format. The selectmen have postponed the discussion on changing The Arrow until a further time.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

MAIL:

None

OTHER:

None

ADJOURN: 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted.

Linda Warner