

Selectmen's Meeting

May 14, 2012

Present: Larry Wilson Sukey Heard, Michele Gaillard, Mary McDonald, Rob Shultz

Treasurer's Report and Warrant:

Warrant #20 (\$41,056.74) was reviewed, approved and signed.

Review of LD1 Levy Limit:

Mary and Sukey reviewed the calculations and determined that our town expenses should easily fall below the limit.

Tax Lien Payment Plan:

The Selectmen discussed the status of a payment plan that has been negotiated with a resident. Mary will follow up with the resident.

Town Property Maintenance Spreadsheet:

The Selectmen discussed with Rob whether the repainting of the exterior handrail could be done using this year's budget. Rob said that Mark Jorgensen will remove the handrail, sandblast it, have it powder-coated and re-install for \$1,500. The Selectmen approved the expense.

The Selectmen discussed the furnace replacement with Rob regarding the choice of furnace and whether there might be any hidden costs. With the switch from oil to propane, will there be a need to purchase a new tank? Rob will contact MW Sewall. The dry hydrant at Dick Elwell's pond was broken last winter and the fire department would like it fixed and put back in service. Dick will do the work and did not feel it would cost much. Since it represents Town infrastructure, the Selectmen decided to pay for it with contingency if there was any left or from next year's Properties budget.

Public Hearing-May 30th:

There will be a required Public Hearing on May 30 to allow questions and discussion of warrant articles. Warrant articles must be posted 7 days before Town Meeting. It's our plan to have them up by June 1.

State Assessing Visit:

State of Maine Bureau of Taxation Official, Roland Moreau will be visiting the Arrowsic Town Hall during Friday office hours to review property transfer records.

Arrow Articles:

Sukey will write a notice of the Town Meeting for the Arrow. It will not be out in time to include anything about the public hearing on May 30th.

Donation Request:

The Selectmen received a request for a large donation from Fields for Our Future, an organization raising money to put artificial turf on the Bath playing fields. There was a discussion whether the Selectmen should proactively reduce the amount or include the original request on the warrant. The Selectmen decided to let the town make the decision since the number can be reduced at Town Meeting.

Release Deed:

On advice of the Tax Collector, the Selectmen voted to authorize Larry to sign a release deed for new owners of the bridge tender's house, Wendy Ross and Thomas Eichler, which releases the property from certain tax liens, which were previously paid.

Minutes:

No minutes to review.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Michele Gaillard