

Arrowsic Selectmen's Meeting

July 8, 2013

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

Treasurer's Report and Warrant:

Warrant # 1 (\$8,318.48) was reviewed, approved and signed. Mary discussed her plans to make some adjusting journal entries to accrue several expenses from this first 2013-2014 fiscal year warrant into 2012-2013. These are often done as part of the audit but Mary would like to get them out of the way. She also reported that both the Sagadahoc County tax bill and the RSU1 education assessment appear to be consistent with what was projected at Town Meeting and in the Town Report.

Audit Letter:

The Selectmen received an engagement letter from our auditing firm, Purdy Powers and Associates that included our audit requirements and an audit estimate of \$7,300.

Upcoming Education Meeting:

Bill reported that he has had 3-4 responses from people who are planning to attend the education meeting tomorrow. The discussions are still in the preliminary stage regarding items like the essential form of the committee (whether it should be a continuation of the previous school board, follow the SAG model or be something completely different), what process needs to be followed to form the committee, and whether the members need to be appointed or elected.

Town Hall Internet:

Bill has set up our new internet access with a new password and will be amending our internet policy to reflect the new Fairpoint connection.

2013 Town Meeting Minutes:

The Selectmen received the Town meeting minutes from the town clerk and will be contacting Jennifer for clarification on several issues.

RSU1 Update:

The Selectmen had previously met with RSU Superintendent Patrick Manuel regarding the process of determining Arrowsic student head count for assessing education costs. Patrick is working on a new procedure that will allow the student names to be confirmed by member towns prior to being sent to the Maine State Department of Education. The new policy has not been finalized yet.

Licensing and Registration Issues:

Mary reviewed several problems that we have experienced in keeping a steady, timely flow of permits and permit revenues to State agencies like Inland Fisheries & Wildlife and DHHS. The Selectmen will be working with the various stakeholders to set guidelines and streamline the process.

Dogs:

The Selectmen received an anonymous complaint about a resident who has 3-4 unlicensed dogs who are left outside at night and cause noise disturbances in the neighborhood. The Town is aware that the dogs are not licensed and will take steps to determine what our enforcement options are.

Executive Session:

The Selectmen went into executive session at 6:45 pm to discuss a personnel issue. The regular meeting resumed at 6:55 pm.

Deputy CEO and Shellfish Warden Appointments:

The Selectmen appointed Jon Hentz as the Arrowsic Shellfish Warden and Jason Lang, Georgetown's CEO, to serve as the Arrowsic Deputy Codes Enforcement Officer, who will be available when Michael Kreindler is not.

Welcome Letter:

Arrowsic finally has a very nice welcome letter that will be given to new residents by either the Town Clerk or Tax Collector when they make their first Town Hall visit. The letter explains our Town services and also what is special about Arrowsic (the list is long!).

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Michele Gaillard