

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE RICHMOND BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00P.M.-WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2011

1.0 CALL TO ORDER-6:00P.M.

Selectmen Present: Tracy Tuttle, Rose Beckwith, Clarence Cummins and Dan Dunton

Others Present: Town Manager-Marian Anderson, Executive Assistant-Laurisa Loon, Matt Roberge, Terry Adams, Naomi York

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 REQUEST TO APPROVE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF APRIL 20, 2011

Selectman Cummins made a motion to approve the minutes, Selectman Beckwith seconded, motion passed (4-0).

4.0 APPOINTMENTS, RESIGNATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS

4.1 Appointment of Chief Scott MacMaster to the EMA Director position.

Selectman Dunton made a motion to appoint Chief MacMaster to the EMA Director position, Selectman Beckwith seconded, motion passed (4-0).

5.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATION

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS-UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Selectman Dunton made a motion to move 9.1 out of order, Selectman Cummins seconded, motion passed (4-0).

9.1 Public:

Tim Adams, representing the Summer League stated the new board consists of; Matt Roberge, President, himself-Vice President, Irene Adams-Treasurer, and Heidi Small-Secretary.

There has been an increase in participation from last year, 50% of the population of the Marcia Buker School. There are 15 Total teams, 31 coach volunteers and 3 minor level teams. The coaches are certified through Cal Ripkin and Babe Ruth. Over a dozen volunteers have signed up to operate the snack shack, to date they have collected \$9,000 in revenue.

The Town Manager stated that the league has managed their resources well, there are existing trust fund dollars for the leagues use, the leagues bills can be processed through the town, as well as use of the exempt tax status through the town, the league is self supporting, we support what you do and if we can help please call.

Tim Adams stated that the RSU has cut youth sports, how would it work if summer league took on all youth sports? Currently the league accepts donations from sponsors and fees that parents pay to play, we have expended \$2,000.00, we are expecting to spend around \$5,000.00, we will probably bring in between \$11-11,500.

The Town Manager stated that there does not need to be a warrant article to list the sports, you can change the name of the program, the purpose of the program is not changing, when you change your by laws then bring it to the board so we know that the organization has changed.

Selectman Dunton stated that a waiver will need to be included in the sign-up sheets.

Glenn Adams of Four Towns Watershed Association wants to be included on the warrant for Town meeting for funding to operate the DASH unit on Pleasant Pond. Selectman Tuttle stated that she did not realize that there was going to be a yearly request for funding. Glen Adams stated the initial funding went towards the building of the boat. That portion of the project has been completed, this year the money would be for operations, the boat would be on Pleasant Pond for most of time between Fathers Day and Labor Day. Selectman Cummins stated the board has already closed the budget and are signing the warrant tonight, we needed this request earlier. Glen Adams stated that he understands it is a last minute item. Selectman Tuttle stated the board has been trying to make cuts and has not been totally successful, we have cut funding for outside entities. It would be difficult for the board to do this year. Selectman Dunton stated that the request is too late we cannot consider funding on this warrant, next year we are moving the budget process up so get in touch in November of this year for submission.

Kevin McKinney a resident at 166 Pitts Center Road is requesting the road be paved. He stated that he does not see a police officer on the road during the winter time, and there is no turn around for the school bus. The Town Manager stated that the Town is not borrowing money for paving. Selectman Dunton confirmed also that the board was not asking the town to borrow money for roads. Selectman Tuttle stated that the road has been a dirt road for years and the residents two years ago stated that they did not want the road paved. Selectman Dunton stated that once the road dries the highway department is going to be doing maintenance on the towns dirt roads. Selectman Cummins stated that town is looking at \$90,000 to pave that road.

Selectman Dunton stated that the recording (your wife) left on the answering machine with obscenities at public works was improper and no town employee should have to listen to.

Selectman Dunton also stated that the current Town Manager has been in here for two years, if you would have had a conversation with her the board would have heard your concerns before now. I can assure you that your concerns will be given to the highway department, and they will try to improve the roads but it cannot be paved.

Selectman Cummins stated he should talk with his neighbors and get a consensus of what your neighbors want done. Kevin McKinney questioned why did he have to do it? Selectman

Cummins followed with someone needs to take the lead, put together a list and/or petition of unhappy residents and bring before the board.

Steve McGee stated that he has a field that he put gravel on with Pike Industries for a project in conjunction with the State Highway work. In about 3 weeks it will be back to a cornfield, I don't intend to leave the gravel there, I am trying to get the gravel sold, I am asking permission to leave the gravel there for the construction season, no development is being proposed. The Town Manager stated that in 2009 a temporary permit was given, and when the project was finished a timeline of six months was given to have the gravel removed. Steve McGee is asking the board to have until November 1st to remove the gravel. The board can set up a consent agreement with Mr. McGee that is within that timeline. Selectman Dunton questioned what are the complaints? The Town Manager replied citizens are concerned with him operating a business from that site.

Selectman Beckwith made a motion to allow the property owned by Steve McGee to have the property brought back to original grade; seeded and mulched or an agricultural crop planted by November 1st, Selectman Cummins seconded, motion passed (4-0).

Selectman Dunton made a motion to move back to 6.1, Selectman Beckwith seconded, motion passed (4-0).

6.1 Town Meeting Warrant

Selectman action requested to sign and approve the town meeting warrant.

Selectman Dunton wants summer recreation to be the Summer Recreation Account and create a separate account to encompass all youth sports. The Town Manager stated that it is not necessary if the summer league is willing to change their bylaws and name and bring to before the selectboard to approve.

After discussion and review, Selectman Beckwith made a motion to adopt the warrant, Selectmen Cummins seconded, motion passed, (4-0).

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS-NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Ratio Declaration & Reimbursement Application on Homestead Property

Selectman action requested to sign the Reimbursement application.

Selectman Dunton made a motion to approve the Homestead Reimbursement Application, Selectman Beckwith seconded, motion passed (4-0).

7.2 Umberhine Library Policy-Marian Anderson

Selectman action requested to sign and approve the library trustee policy.

Selectman Cummins made a motion to adopt the Richmond Library Policy, Selectman Beckwith seconded, motion passed, (4-0).

8.0 ASSESSOR ITEMS-NEW BUSINESS

9.0 MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS-ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

9.1 Public-Previously addressed

9.2 Selectmen

Selectman Beckwith complimented the highway crew on the cleanup of Main Street.

Selectman Tuttle stated she would be resigning from the CDBG board.

9.3 Town Manager

- She will be attending a meeting on May 11th to discuss use of the school at 5:30p.m.
- She received a notice from Wyman and Simpson on bridge repairs in West Bath starting Thursday May 5th for the day.
- Rick Cote of Gardiner Ambulance would like to speak to the board on ambulance service. Dresden recently had a meeting with them.
- The Selectman goals and objectives will be on the agenda following town meeting.
- The Annual Report dedication will be to the former Umberhine Library tonight.

9.4 Boards & Committees-None

10.0 WARRANTS

10.1 Request for action regarding all disbursement warrants.

Selectman Beckwith made a motion to sign the warrant, Selectman Cummins seconded, motion passed, (4-0).

11.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A)-PERSONNEL MATTERS

Selectman Dunton made a motion to move into Executive Session, Selectman Cummins seconded, motion passed (4-0).

No action taken

Selectman Beckwith made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Selectman Dunton seconded, motion passed (4-0).

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

Selectman Dunton made a motion to adjourn, Selectman Cummins seconded, motion passed (4-0).