Town of Greenville MINUTES for Board of Selectmen's Meeting

of

Wednesday, November 19, 2014 6:30 PM in Town Hall Meeting Room
Board members/Staff Present at meeting:
X Selectman Richard Peat (Chair) X Selectman Bruce Wyman X Town Manager John Simko X Selectman Craig Watt (VC) X Selectman Geno Murray X PW Foreman Mark Bernier Town Clerk Roxanne Lizotte X Selectman Josh Brown Police Chief Jeff Pomerleau
Others: Stacy Duncan, Kevin Goodrich, John Cobb, Chris Shields, Jonathan Pratt, Jenny Gray, and Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent, all of Greenville; Rick LaFlamme of the Maine Warden Service.
1. Opening of the Meeting & Declaration of Conflicts of Interest: The Chairman will ask the members of the Board of Selectmen to review the meeting agenda and declare any potential conflicts of interest which members may have with the items listed.
Chairman Richard Peat later abstained from one of the agenda additions – Abatement Request – due to a family connection. Josh Brown later abstained from a vote on the Snowmobile Trail Grooming Contract as he is seeking employment as a groomer operator. There were no other disclosed conflicts of interest.
2. Minutes of November 5, 2014 Meeting:
Motion made by Bruce Wyman, seconded by Geno Murray, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.
3. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:
Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Geno Murray, to add the following items to the meeting agenda:
10A: Abatement Request 10B: Liquor License for Stress Free Moose Pub 10C: Thank you letter.
Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.
4. Public Comment Period: None.

5. Solid Waste Contracts: Sean Bolen, President for Moosehead Rubbish, and Town Manager John Simko have met to review the draft contracts which were circulated at a previous Selectmen's Meeting. Sean has suggested several changes to the contracts which will be presented at the meeting. If agreement can be reached, the Board may be ready to sign and execute the contracts for trash collection, trash hauling, and recycling center services.

Motion made by Geno Murray, seconded by Bruce Wyman, to have Town Manager draft contracts with requested changes by Moosehead Rubbish, Inc., mark them draft, and circulate them to the Board of Selectmen and the contractor for review, negotiation and approval at the December 3, 2014 meeting. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

6. Snowmobile Trail Program: MRSC President John Cobb will be at the meeting to update the Board of Selectmen on on-going efforts to secure a northbound snowmobile trail on the east side of the lake. Town Manager John Simko will also brief the Board on legal options for securing permanent access for a trail in different locations. Also, the 2014-2015 snowmobile trail grooming contract between the Club and the Town has been drafted and is ready for consideration by the Board of Selectmen. Finally, President John Cobb would like to present the keys to a used snowmobile to Greenville Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent: the club is updating a machine and is donating the old one to the fire department for response to snowmobile accidents.

MRSC President John Cobb gave an update to the Board of Selectmen on options for a northbound trail for the 2014-2015 season: no option has yet to be realized.

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Josh Brown, to enter Executive Session at 19:30 for purposes of receiving advice from legal counsel (via speakerphone) and to exit Executive Session at 20:35. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Bruce Wyman, to have the Town Manager draft a letter to the property owners along the non-Townway section of Scammon Road in Greenville to inform them that the Town is willing to takeover this road as a Townway (both summer and winter maintenance) in exchange for the immediate use of the road this winter as an ITS snowmobile trail and the long-term develop of an adjacent permanent snowmobile trail to the road, if there is support from the property owners to do so. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Josh Brown, to have the Town Manager work with the MRSC President and Warden Rick LaFlamme from the Maine Warden Service to see if a trail could be developed which connects downtown Greenville to the East Road from Powerhouse corner to Plum Creek land along the KI Road and onto the trail which runs north from the KI Road approximately 2 miles east of the Wilson Stream Bridge. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Bruce Wyman, to authorize the Town Manager to execute the 2014-2015 Snowmobile Trail Grooming Contract with the Moosehead Riders Snowmobile Club (with the correction of a typo identified by Craig Watt). Motion passed by a vote of 4-0-1 (Brown abstained).

7. Update on Greenville Fire Department: Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent would like to update the Board of Selectmen on operations at the Fire Department, and schedule a walk-through of the fire station with the Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus to schedule a Workshop at 6:00 PM Monday, December 8 to meet with Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent to discuss physical plant and operational needs for the FD in advance of the coming year's budget preparation.

Additionally, MRSC President John Cobb presented the title to a snowmobile owned by the club to the Greenville FD for use in emergency responses. The Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus to accept this gift to the Town's Fire Department, and publicly thanked the Moosehead Riders Snowmobile Club for their generosity.

8. Workshop with School Committee: The Board of Selectmen and the School Committee met earlier this fall to discuss how to better work together. At that meeting, both groups agreed to next meet in December. The Board of Selectmen may want to schedule a meeting date for another workshop with the School Committee to continue working together.

Motion made by Bruce Wyman, seconded by Josh Brown, to set 6:00 PM Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at the Municipal Building Meeting Hall as the time, date and location for a joint workshop between the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

9. Holiday Schedule: The Board of Selectmen may wish to adjust the hours of operation for the Town Office around Christmas this year, which falls on a Thursday. The staff would prefer to work a full day Christmas Eve and have the Friday after Christmas off. Town Manager recommends this as compensatory time for extra duties this summer and fall, and will have details for the Selectmen's consideration.

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Richard Peat, to recognize the many hours of unpaid compensatory time contributed by Town Office staff, and due to Christmas falling on a Thursday this year, to close the Town Office and all departments on Friday, December 26, 2014. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. The Selectmen and Town Manager noted that the Town Office and all departments will be open all day on Wednesday, December 24, 2014 (Christmas Eve).

10. Additions to the Agenda:

10A: Abatement Request:

Motion made by Bruce Wyman, seconded by Craig Watt, to deny the abatement request submitted by Wayne Carpenter and to request that the Agent for the Board of Assessors send Mr. Carpenter a letter explaining this decision. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0-1 (Peat abstained).

10B: Liquor License Renewal for Stress Free Moose Pub:

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Geno Murray, to approve the liquor license renewal for this business. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

10C: Thank you Letter – Moosehead Signs:

Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus to send a letter to Tom Stade, DBA Moosehead Signs, to thank him for his volunteer work for the Fire Department and for the Welcome Sign maintained by the PW Department.

- 11. Town Manager's Report: Briefly offered verbally. No actions taken.
- 12. What's On Your Mind? Opportunity for Selectmen to share questions, concerns, ideas or suggestions informational only.

Town Manager John Simko sought clarification by the Board of Selectmen that his approval of John Watt's Eagle Scout Project to develop a series of trails around the Town-owned, closed landfill next to Sawyer Pond was sufficient for authority to create a series of trails on Town Property. The Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus that they support the Town Manager's decision to authorize this project.

Town Manager John Simko informed the Board of Selectmen that he would be drafting a letter to the editor inviting donations to the Town's Fuel Assistance Fund again this year. The Board of Selectmen expressed support for this course of action.

13. Adjourn: 21:06.

Respectfully Recorded;

John Simko Town Manager November 19, 2014 – 23:45.