

Newington Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 4, 2013 Town Hall 6:30pm

Chr. Rick Stern called the meeting to order at 6:35pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chairman Rick Stern, Selectmen Jack O'Reilly and Jan Stuart.

Public Guests: Leonard Thomas, Craig Daigle, Ruth Fletcher and John Chagnon.

Minute Approval: *S. O'Reilly moved to approve the minutes of January 15, 2013 and February 22, 2013. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion passed 3-0.*

Manifest Approval: *S. O'Reilly moved to approve the manifest dated 1/29/13 for \$39,435.77, 2/7/13 \$180,624.01, 2/14/13 \$34,966.12, 2/19/13 \$93,537.14 and 2/26/13 \$97,443.65. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion passed 3-0.*

Pease Bike/Multi-use path: S. O'Reilly lead discussion on request received to Town of Newington from PDA (Pease Development Authority) to pledge funds. Air Mitigation Fund will be used for pledge. *S. O'Reilly moved for Chr. Stern to sign \$10,000 commitment letter. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion passed 3-0.* C. Daigle expressed concern about resident usage and location. Also expressed concern about town speed limit which will be addressed at another meeting.

Ruth Fletcher/ Warrant Article: Ruth lead discussion on information she received at the moderator meeting. Town Warrant was reviewed. Got confirmation that DRA was notified. Research to be done by Board Of Selectmen regarding 10% over budget figures. Ruth read a letter regarding the 3/30/13 Welcome Home event in Boscawen for Vietnam Veterans. She will read the letter at the Town Meeting before opening the warrant. Ruth will be adding to the meeting moderating rules, including 5 minute time limit and individuals have 3 chances to speak on different topics. Chr. Stern requested she type the rules and submit a copy to the Board of Selectmen. Ruth will discuss police detail with the police department. Ruth will be introducing cards for voting with the supervisors of checklists at the doors. Discussion on library and fire truck warrants. Board of Selectmen to explain Article 18 & 19, Chr. Stern will talk on it. Meals will be provided for workers on Election Day. Planning Board Chr. Dennis Hebert will be asked to respond to questions concerning Article 5, which will include a poster prepared by John Chagnon.

Old Town Hall Flooring: Chr. Stern is working with John Stowell about estimates and alternatives to repair the floor which should include a warrantee. They will get a better estimate and report back at the next meeting.

Discussion about damage and liability insurance requirements were clarified.

Transfer Station Permit request: Request came in from a relative of a resident to use the transfer station. Issue tabled until Chr. Stern can get more details of what will be removed and what timeframe is requested.

Fox Point Road Race: *S. O'Reilly made the motion to allow the Newington School Supporters to hold the Fox Point Sunset 5 Mile Road Race on September 7, 2013. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion*

passed 3-0.

Newington Daisy Girl Scouts: *S. Stuart made the motion to provide a letter from the Board of Selectmen to allow the Newington Daisy Girl Scouts to have a cookie booth sale at the Newington Walmart on Saturday March 9, 2013. Seconded by S. O'Reilly. Motion passed 3-0.*

Resignation Letters: *S. O'Reilly moved to accept resignation letters from the following: Grace Simms – Library Trust Alternate effective 3/4/13, Margaret F. Lamson- Conservation Commission effective 3/15/13, Cyndi Gillespie – bookkeeper effective 3/15/13 and W. Jane Mazeau – Town Clerk/Tax Collector effective 3/4/13. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion passed 3-0.*

S. O'Reilly made a motion to appoint Laura Coleman Town Clerk/Tax Collector effective 3/4/13 – 3/31/13. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion passed 3-0.

Historic District Water Line: *Chief Dale Sylvia looking into water pressure loss and will report back. A request was made to have one of the Selectmen present at a meeting to discuss details.*

Bookkeeper: *S. Stuart looking into a replacement bookkeeper and will report back next meeting and will also get a list of duties.*

New Business: *Letter from Matthew and Ann Morton was read expressing thanks to Leonard Thomas and crew for the outstanding job they have done this winter sanding, salting and plowing the roads in town, as well as the great job Craig Daigle is doing at the Transfer Station.*

S. O'Reilly moved to have the TDBank town credit card authorization transferred to Chr. Stern. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion passed 2-0-1 with Chr. Stern abstaining.

Facility Use Requests: *S. Stuart made a motion to approve the 2013 dates submitted by the Seacoast Wind Ensemble – Fee and Deposit waived. Seconded by Chr. Stern. Motion passed 2-0-1 with S. O'Reilly abstaining.*

S. O'Reilly made the motion to approve the April 6&7, 2013 request from Sara Frizzell/New Referee Licensing Class (soccer) – Fee and Deposit waived. Seconded by S. Stuart. Motion passed 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Guenard
Acting Administrative Assistant