

**Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, April 30, 2007**  
**6:00pm - Town Hall**

*Preliminary*

Chairman Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Present: Chairman Jan Stuart, Selectmen Cosmas Iocovozzi and Jack O'Reilly, Town Planner Tom Morgan, Chairman of the Conservation Commission Justin Richardson and daughter Elsa, and Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi.

Selectman O'Reilly moved to go into non-public under RSA 91-A:3, ii (e) litigation. Selectman Iocovozzi seconded and on a roll call vote, motion passed 3-0.

Selectman O'Reilly moved to come out of non-public and to seal the minutes at 6:32pm. Selectman Iocovozzi seconded and on a roll call vote, motion passed 3-0. No votes taken.

Chairman Stuart called the public portion back into order at 6:33pm.

Present: Chairman Stuart, Selectmen O'Reilly and Iocovozzi, AA Beatrice Marconi, Bldg Inspector Charlie Smart, Road Agent Len Thomas, John Frink, Jean Bowser, Larry Wahl, Jim Noseworthy, and Gail Pare Chairman of the HDC.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

John Frink informed the Selectmen of a beaver problem in the Mott's Pond/Fox Point area whereas the damming is causing problems. Chairman Stuart cited RSA 210:9 which talks about the level of license needed to trap and also spoke of the November to April season. Any trapping done outside the timeline would have to be approved by Fish & Game. She was also concerned about the private property issue. John said the owner was going to contact the necessary agencies.

*Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve the minutes of April 16 and 23. Seconded by Selectman Iocovozzi, motion passed 3-0.*

**Fire Truck for Sale/Rotary Presentation**

Jeff Pelkey of Rotary International-Kittery Rotary Club spoke of the purpose of Rotary International Fire Apparatus Distribution Program. Because of the safety mandates and restrictions, our uncertifiable 'junk' is a third world life saving treasure. It won't be parted out, it will actually be used. Even after they are retired, they may then be used to water crops. Chairman Stuart spoke of the needs we may find in our own country. Mr. Pelkey said that not only was he part of a world wide net work, but would put the word out nationally first to see if there is more of a local need. Once the truck is gone from our site, the Town is no longer held responsible. The Town's name and seal will be buffed off. *Selectman O'Reilly moved to donate the '86 Hahn Fire Truck to the Rotary's Distribution Program to find its best use. Selectman Iocovozzi seconded. Motion passed 3-0.*

**Building Maintenance Plan – 2007**

Town Hall - \$75,000 was approved

Brickwork/repair mortar joints, improvement in signage, room divider in auditorium, Commercial stove will need attention, interior painting (can wait). Charlie was asked to get updated price on the stove and when we do a paving project to include the walkway which involves ripping it out and resurfacing.

Town Garage – \$5,000 approved

John and Lennie to paint and do minor repair here and there. Since it will be replaced in the future, the Board chose not to sink a lot of time and money in it but recognizes that upkeep must be done.

Library – \$ 15,000 approved

Go forward with ADA compliance bathroom – Charlie to get updated quote.

Selectman O'Reilly mentioned to the BOS that he asked the Conservation Commission if they would like to get involved with the landscaping at the Library

Old Town Hall – \$ 3,000 approved

Charlie to look into plantation blinds/window treatment for pricing in auditorium on 2<sup>nd</sup> fl. Not enough money for stage curtain. Charlie to get sump pump. Regarding ramp and ice problem, the ramp will be reconfigured and a window/door will be switched off. A price is coming. Drip edge and crushed stone will be taken care of by Lenny.

Meeting House - \$60,000 approved

Charlie needs the construction drawings at about \$ 24,000 which includes recommendations for historical preservation whenever possible by a conservation architect. He feels he can get the construction drawings, support structure underneath including the stone work in the foundation. \$ 378,000 was slated for entire project over the course of years. LCIP application is on file at the State for possible grants. The steeple alone will be over \$ 40,000 itself. Charlie to move forward with Construction drawings.

Fire Station - \$ 10,000 approved

Shower going in on Monday from encumbered money.

Police Station - \$ 15,000 approved

Gutters/Gutter Guards, painting in process, but the land must be re-pitched and re-drained. Not landscaping.

Stone School - \$ 500 approved

For weatherproofing as needed

Old Parsonage - \$ 21,500 approved

Brickwork on chimney and exterior painting needs to be done. Mold growing on the inside. The security system/fire panel needs to be replaced. Charlie feels the bldg should be vented.

Fox Point - \$ 50,000 approved

Carriage House should have minor repairs done like to windows and doors. The Well House needs to be properly fixed. Rodent holes and roof repair. The Chicken Coop has some rot problems but would make good storage. Power is an issue too.

Mott House

Charlie met with Vermont Salvage and they indicated that there was really little there worth the trouble of salvaging. Another company was coming down to view this week. The Board wanted to be sure that the demo of the Mott House did not inhibit the wedding scheduled for July 28.

Rental House

Per Charlie, some windows need repair, cabinets, the bulkhead is leaking, counter top needs to be screwed down, plus we have resident woodchucks. Selectman O'Reilly suggested Charlie take the lead on this and get done what must. Chairman Stuart said she'd like to see Rick do some of the work. In the end, ***Selectman Iocovozzi moved to make Jan the point person on this project and to work with Charlie and to approve the Hart Plumbing estimate in the amount of \$2,000. Selectman O'Reilly seconded and the motion passed 3-0.***

### **Northern Utility Road Work Permit – Texas Road House**

Request from Northern Utility for road way permit to dig up road – *Selectman Iocovozzi moved to approve pending the posting of a \$3,000 bond to be held for one year. Selectman O'Reilly seconded. Motion passed 3-0.* Charlie will bring forth an excavation sample ordinance. Road Agent Len Thomas was asked to check on the old cemetery in that area.

### **Landscaping at Old Town Hall**

Gail Pare, Chairman of the HDC brought forth a tentative plan to the Selectmen asking to move forward with the tree purchase – utilizing the \$500.00 landscaping donation given to the town last year. Selectman Iocovozzi suggested that the rectangle gardens should be dug and prepped prior to the trees going in and offered to have Len Thomas dig it if they would stake it out. Gail had concerns about maintaining the garden but the Board suggested she move forward and that they would see to it that the garden was cared for. Town would provide the loam.

Gail also mentioned that it would be very nice to have the overhead utilities buried in front of the Meeting House and Library someday. Selectman O'Reilly said it couldn't be done this year but would bear it in mind next year during the budgeting season.

### **Mosquito Treatment**

In a letter from Municipal Pest Control, it was so noted that treatment would begin on May 14 and that trapping would be June through October.

### **Nimble Hill Drainage – S.W.A.M.P.**

Mike Morrison of S.W.A.M.P. passed out a plan containing three phases for the Board to consider. Phase I would be placing sediment controls, removing sediment along 315 linear feet of ditch along Nimble Hill, re-establish ditch substrate, slopes and bankings, place erosion fabric on substrate and banking, place rep rap on substrate and banking, construct culvert inflow and outflow basins, Install 24" culvert for ditch crossing. \$ 15,380

Phase II would be mow vegetation with hydraulic mower and low ground pressure 3 times then remove vegetation mulch after each mowing. \$ 5,610

Phase III would be done in the next calendar year after it is budgeted for at the cost of \$ 38,680. The Board agreed that the first two phases could be achievable this year. After we hear from the DES on whether or not we need a permit for stump removal, then PACE will be called to do that work and Mike Morrison to be notified also. Jim Noseworthy was concerned about the stagnant water with mosquitoes. Mike intends to larvacide that area and adds that once the flow runs properly, a good flow will control that. Mike would like to see a subterranean ditch placed there. It's always going to be wet in that area due to a spring. Maybe the sentiment can be placed in that area then loamed over and graded. (between the tree line and phragmites)

*Selectman O'Reilly moved to proceed with phase I and II not to exceed \$20,990 for both. Selectman Iocovozzi seconded. Motion passed 3-0.*

Mike will call Dig Safe and may drop by and speak to Larry and Jim.

### **Len Thomas – Road Agent**

Len asked the Board to consider funding for the painting of the frame for the old big truck for Arch equipment to sandblast and repaint which would be approx \$ 4,000 stem to stern and inside body. Selectman Iocovozzi felt we should wait as he felt maybe we could get another year out of it. Then we could budget for it next year and maybe even consider refurbishing the entire truck.

Selectman O'Reilly asked Len to take a good look at it and if there is an immediate need, we can see how the money is lasting come the fall and decide at that point.

Len asked if the Town could utilize Dick Rines to pick up branches, etc behind library. The ok was giving as Mr. Rines is authorized to work for the town.

Len mentioned that he picked up a new flag for Patterson Ln.

The slabs of wood from the Town Forest need to be moved from the Mott House and placed in the cattle section of the Carriage House before the Mott is demolished.

The School bus parked at the Town Garage must be moved immediately due to liability. Len will speak to the driver to get it out of there.

Len will address the former off ramp at Woodbury and Patterson in an effort to stop misc vehicles from travel over that area.

Chairman Stuart mentioned that Dave Sweeney called and suggested that the Highway Dept carry clip boards in the trucks so that when they spot a dead tree that could be a hazard, to make note of it for the Board. There is an area across from Rollie Beane's place and a row by the Lamson's that could present a problem. They are on private property but are leaning over the road. Beatrice will contact the NHMA and ask if it is the Town's responsibility or the owner's to remove. Len will show the Beane tree on a map to Bea so that she can contact the State. Next year, it was suggested we create a line that addresses road side tree problems and fund it adequately.

#### **Town Facilities Use Requests:**

Piscataqua River Brass May 20 & June 10 2-5:30 Town Hall Audi

Seacoast Striders – Town Hall & Kit - July 14 - 8:30 am – 4:30pm subject to fee

Celiac Spru May 17 Town Hall Audi 5:30-8pm

T Hourihan Family – Grove- All Day Aug 4 – and OTH bathrooms

Spinney Picnic Aug 25 12 to 7pm Grove and OTH bathrooms

Soccer Camp Aug 13 – 17 Field and Grove

Thermo May 5 TH audi 10am-11am subject to fee

The above requests were approved with a motion from Selectman O'Reilly and a second by Selectman Iocovozzi - passed 3-0.

#### **Old Business**

Edwards & Kelcey – Dennis Hebert – tabled until the next meeting - May 7

***Selectman O'Reilly moved to adjourn at 8:40pm followed by a second by Selectman Iocovozzi. Motion passed 3-0.***

Respectively Submitted,

Beatrice Marconi – Administrative Assistant