

**Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 17, 2014 Town Hall 6:30pm**

Chair Rick Stern called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.

Present: Chair Rick Stern, Selectman Jan Stuart and Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

Minutes Approval: C. Iocovozzi corrected the title contract assessor to be contract appraiser on page 2 of the March 10 minutes. **C. Iocovozzi moved to approve the minutes of March 10, 2013 with the correction noted. J. Stuart seconded this with all in favor.**

Manifest Approval: C. Iocovozzi moved to approve Manifests dated: March 4, 2014 for \$241,458, March 11, 2014 for \$37,678.69, March 18, 2014 for \$42,447.98. J. Stuart seconded this and all were in favor.

Election of Officers: C. Iocovozzi moved to appoint Jan Stuart as Chair. R. Stern seconded this with two in favor and one abstention by J. Stuart.

Emergency Management Co-Director: C. Iocovozzi moved to appoint Fire Chief Andy Head to the position of Co-Emergency Management Director. J. Stuart seconded this and all were in favor.

Ambulance Purchase Discussion: The Board requested A. Head give a copy of the new ambulance purchase and sales agreement to them for review. They will have it reviewed by legal counsel and then sign.

Gate Clicker Requests: The Board discussed the policy that gate clickers should be given to residents for a \$30. deposit fee until such time as the residents leave the town and further that there is a one gate clicker per household limit. They requested M. Roy have the new language in the agreement for approval at the next meeting. **C. Iocovozzi moved to approve clickers for the Hiatt household and the Mary Crossley household. J. Stuart seconded this and all were in favor.**

Zoning Board Appointment: Jim Weiner volunteered to continue as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Board expressed their appreciation for Jim's willingness to continue volunteering in this capacity. **J. Stuart moved to appoint J. Weiner to the position of Zoning Board member. C. Iocovozzi seconded this with all in favor.**

Treasurer Resignation: C. Iocovozzi announced that Luanne O'Reilly had resigned from the position of Treasurer. He publicly expressed his thanks to the Treasurer for all she had done for the town and the training she was providing to

the Deputy to insure a smooth transition. J. Stuart also expressed her thanks to L. O'Reilly for her kind service. **C. Iocovozzi moved to accept the resignation with regret. J. Stuart seconded this with all in favor.**

Treasurer Appointment: C. Iocovozzi moved to appoint Deputy Treasurer Susan Philbrick to the position of Treasurer. J. Stuart seconded this motion with all in favor.

New Business:

Fox Point Easement Discussion: Jane Hislop and Jim Weiner of the Conservation Commission stated that they would like to be placed on the Board's agenda to discuss Fox Point and how to protect it in the future. Potential methods of protection are:

1. Development of a "Friends of Fox Point" Committee made up of a member from each land use Board as well as a Selectman to safeguard the town property.
2. Put a Third Party Easement Holder in place .
3. Altering the current deed to require Town Meeting vote.

They explained that the management plan includes keeping the property for Newington residents only and to keep it as a conservation area.

C. Iocovozzi requested that M. Roy review the State form MS 7 and determine the value of the Fox Point property and what affect the value of the 110 acres has on loans the town requests. The Board consensus was to allow Attorneys Justin Richardson (also Conservation Commission member) and FX Brouton to develop a plan for Conservation Commission review and recommendation followed by Selectmen review of the final product at a future meeting.

Volunteers for Town Boards: The Board asked M. Roy to have a notice placed on the Sign Board indicating the need for volunteers to serve on the various Town Boards.

Road Status:

Fox Point Road Wash Out: J. Stuart notified the Board that the road had been washed out just beyond Clam Shell Pond. C. Iocovozzi noted the need for cross drainage and repaving to occur on that section of road.

C. Iocovozzi stated that Altus Engineering should review Fox Point Road to determine work needed. Little Bay Road was noted as a road that needed to have repaving finished from Fox Point to the point where the new paving of 2013 ends. This should include where rip-rap and swail work are needed.

Miscellaneous Items:

C. Iocovozzi requested M. Roy review Town projects, that need to be completed in 2014, with the Building Inspector and develop a timeline for completion of all for presentation to the Board at a future meeting.

C. Iocovozzi also discussed new federal regulations that were about to be imposed which would require installation of concrete pads at the Highway Garage gas pumps to catch any spills.

Adjournment: J. Stuart moved to adjourn at 7:31pm. C. Iocovozzi seconded this motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy
Town Administrator