## Town of Newington, NH Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes Monday, July 21, 2014 Town Hall 6:30pm

# Chair Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:28pm followed by the Pledge.

**Present:** Chair Jan Stuart, Selectman Rick Stern and Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi. Also present were Fire Engineers, Chair Ruth Fletcher, Engineers Darin Sabine and John Klanchesser as well as Fire Chief, Andy Head; Craig Downing, Executive Director of State of NH Deferred Compensation Plan; Great Bay Marine legal counsel and owner and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

<u>Minutes Approval</u>: **R. Stern moved to approve the minutes of July 7, 2014, with the amendment to correct J. Stuart's name spelling. C. Iocovozzi seconded with all in favor.** 

**R.** Stern moved to approve the minutes of June 18, 2014. This was seconded by C. Iocovozzi with all in favor.

<u>Manifest Approval</u>: C. Iocovozzi moved to approve all manifests as follows: Manifests for \$222,917.36 dated 7/8/14 and \$40,544.37 dated 7/15/14 and correction to manifest, listed on 7/7/14 agenda, dated 7/1/14 from vote of \$127,374.48 to \$217,374.48. R. Stern approved the motion with all in favor.

**David Brown-Great Bay Marine – House construction on private road**: Great Bay Marine appeared before the Board, requesting that they accept the proposed waiver of a private road pursuant to RSA 674:41 for the construction of a singlefamily residence on Tax Map 6, Lot 5. **C. Iocovozzi moved to allow the exception to have a single family residence at the above location with the following conditions: 1. Single family home in compliance with all building regulations** 

- 2. The lot will not be subdivided again
- 3. The lot will receive limited town services due to placement on a private road.

This was seconded by R Stern with all in favor.

<u>State of NH 457 Voluntary Deferred Compensation Plan Discussion</u>- The Board met with Craig Downing regarding the State's 457 plan. They requested that all employees receive a copy of the Great West informational packet and they will determine what the interest level is for this product.

J. Stuart notified the Board that the Fish & Game paperwork was for their information.

**Fire Ordinance- Draft Changes:** J. Stuart explained to the Fire Engineers that there were some items that the Board was in favor of and some that they were not. She stated that the Board would like to move to mediation. D. Sabine asked about the changes the Selectmen did approve of. A discussion was held about the Mission Statement. R. Fletcher stated that the Mission Statement was not part of the Ordinance.

J. Stuart responded to Darin's question stating that under Section 1, Article 1 the Board should be listed as the Public Employer. D. Sabine asked what responsibilities fell under Public Employer that the Board wanted in the Ordinance. Discussion between the Boards ensued. R. Stern discussed the importance of the language proposed by the Board of Selectmen about Engineers not working as fire fighters and also the Personnel Policies issues. D. Sabine mentioned the differences in the earned time policy that need to be revised.

R. Fletcher gave the Selectmen a June 1981 Fire Ordinance amendment document for their records.

The Board of Fire Engineers agreed with the Selectmen's proposal that a mediator be retained.

The Engineers asked the Board of Selectmen to pay their legal bill for the law suit filed in Superior Court against the Selectmen. It was the consensus of the Board of Selectmen to decline payment.

# Oil/Propane bids:

C. Iocovozzi moved to award the oil, propane, gas and diesel to Hartmann Oil & Propane at the following rates: prepay oil at \$3.27 per gallon, prepay propane at \$ 1.79 per gallon, gas & diesel at \$.23 above margin. Further to check with tenant about these rates and give them the option to switch from current vendor to Hartmann.

#### **Appointments:**

The Board discussed the appointment requests. R. Stern expressed concern regarding appointing new residents to Committees. C. Iocovozzi moved to table these items. This was seconded by R. Stern with all in favor.

### Facilities Usage Requests:

R. Stern moved to approve the application of Wendy Sweeny-TH-7/27/14, 11am-4pm-Celebration of Life with the payment of \$150. for the hall and kitchen. This was seconded by C. Iocovozzi with all in favor.

R. Stern moved to approve the following applications: Dick Spinney-Picnic Grove-8/16/14 12-5 HDC-Town Wide Yard Sale-9/20/14 6am-3pm HDC-Pow Wow-May 15-17, 2015, OTH and field C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.

### New Business:

<u>Sea-3</u>: C. Iocovozzi moved to have a letter of support regarding the Sea 3 expansion drafted. J. Stuart seconded the motion with a vote of 2-0-1. R. Stern abstained.

<u>Fox Point Non-Resident Access</u>: The Board discussed the number of nonresidents that are frequenting Fox Point without a resident present. The resident would have to sign for the guest. Notes on cars have never been allowed. Two passes per household were to be given out to residents annually. They discussed notifying the Police Department what was allowed to access the Point and assistance with enforcement of the Ordinance. The Board stated that this should be printed on the website also.

<u>Water Tank</u>: C. Iocovozzi notified the Board that a large plastic water tank was being purchased from CAB Services to water the various Town flower gardens. This would be placed in the back of a town truck when needed.

D. Sabine delivered a letter to the Board from the Fire Engineers.

C. Iocovozzi moved to adjourn at 7:42p.m. This was seconded by R. Stern with all in favor.

<u>Fire Engineer's Request</u>: The Board read the letter that they had just received from D. Sabine while continuing to sit in the Selectmen's deRochemont meeting room. The letter stated that the Fire Engineers requested a copy of that evening's Selectmens' meeting tape recording.

The Board commented that they did not realize the Engineers were officially meeting or had posted the meeting.

J. Stuart reopened the Selectmen's meeting. C. Iocovozzi moved to have a letter drafted requesting the tape recording, minutes and posting of the Fire Engineer's meeting that evening. R. Stern seconded the motion and all were in favor.

R. Stern moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:43p.m. This was seconded by C. Iocovozzi with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy, Town Administrator