

**Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2000**

ATTENDANCE: Michael McClellan, Acting Chairman; Ada Brown; Betty McDermott; Mark Acker; and Nathan Poore, Town Manager.

Call to order. Michael McClellan opened the meeting at 7:00 pm at the Town Office.

2. Consideration of pervious meeting minutes.

- a. January 4, 2000
- b. February 1, 2000

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Minutes of January 4 and February 1 as written. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

3. Consideration of several abatements and supplements.

- a. WBLM and Chipco International supplemental assessment C0075P for years 1996, 1997, and 1998 in the amount of \$10,120.86.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the supplemental tax to WBLM and ChipCo. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

- b. Abatement for The Bake Shop T0145P for 1999/2000 in the amount of \$28.40.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to grant the abatement. Seconded by Mark Acker.

VOTE: Unanimous.

- c. Abatement for Car Quest C0115P for 1999/2000 in the amount of \$71.00.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to grant the abatement. Seconded by Mark Acker.

VOTE: Unanimous.

- d. Abatement for Alan McGlory M1425R for 1999/2000 .

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to deny the abatement. Seconded by Mark Acker.

VOTE: Unanimous.

- e. Abatement for John M. Ward H1970R for 1999/2000 in the amount of \$203.53.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to grant the abatement. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

- f. Abatements for Peoples Heritage Bank P0183R for 1997, 1998, and 1999 in the amounts of \$354.65 for 1999, \$357.64 for 1998 and \$247.22 for 1997.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to grant the abatements. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

4. Consideration to make recommendations on all remaining warrant articles for the March 18,2 000 Town Meeting including articles for a proposed Cemetery Ordinance and Lease to Portland Cellular Partnership for a cell tower located on land owned by the Town, located off Patricia Avenue.

- a. Cemetery Ordinance

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore noted the changes made to the Cemetery Ordinance, which was defeated at the 1999 Annual Town Meeting.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to recommend the revised Cemetery Ordinance with the condition that the depth, which the headstone base must be, is determined. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

b. Tower Lease

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore explained that the lease would be to Bell Atlantic/Cell One.

They would like changes to the old lease which included the site being 100 feet by 150 feet; that the term be ten years and could renew up to 25 years and that either party could indicate that they did not want to renew giving the other party an 18 month notice. The cost would be \$800 per month with a 5% per year increase plus 20% to the Town of the subleasing revenues. That the lease would allow up to three buildings of 240 square feet each. The Town would be responsible for plowing the road to the site. Also the Town will keep the agreement that if the Town wants to move the tower site from its present location, that the Town would pay for this relocation to another part of the Town owned land. Mr. Acker asked if any of the subleases were to be merged with Bell Atlantic, would that part of the Town revenue for the sublease be reduced?

MOTION: Mark Acker motioned to recommend Article 23. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss #5,A,B, and C. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

RECESS: Michael McClellan recessed the meeting at 7:38 pm.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

RE-OPEN MEETING: Michael McClellan re-opened the meeting at 8:05 pm.

5. Executive Session:

A. Consideration of a proposal to purchase property owned by the Town, formally acquired by the Town as security interest in the Birchwood Subdivision.

No action taken.

B. Consideration to accept an offer from Mary Jane Karpoe for an option to accept a gift of land (with conditions) for a future Fire Station.

DISCUSSION: Mr. McClellan reviewed the proposal from Mrs. Karpoe saying that two conditions were attached that the fire station not be detrimental to the neighborhood and that the land be used in perpetuity for a fire station. Mr. McClellan and the Selectmen thanked Mrs. Karpoe for her interest and offer of the land.

MOTION: Mark Acker motioned not to accept the gift of land with the present conditions. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

C. Consideration to sell the Town's interest in a mobile home (Tax Map 46, Lot 27ONO), foreclosed on for non-payment of taxes.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to accept the offer of \$800.00 for the Town's interest in a mobile home. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

NOTE: Mr. Poore indicated that this property had gone through the public sale without a bidder. This buyer made the offer after the public sale.

VOTE: Unanimous. The Selectmen signed the Quit Claim Deed.

6. Consideration to table action against Mr. Savard, resident on Spiller Hill Road who placed a rock wall within the Town right of way, so that the Town may re-evaluate the situation this spring.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore said that he felt the Town would win this argument in court but that it would be expensive. He said that Mr. Savard said he would entertain a compromise in the spring.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to postpone any litigation until spring and try to negotiate with Mr. Savard at that

time. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

7. Communications and other business.

a. O'Donnell's Assessing contract for 1998-1999 and 1999-2000.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore said that last year's contract was late and this year's was early. He told O'Donnell that the \$400.00 increase was not possible because it had not been budgeted for. O'Donnell agreed to reduce the bill by the \$400.00 for this year but said to expect an increase next year.

b. Recycling.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore said that RWS was receptive to taking Raymond's recycling but that it would have to be voted on by their Board on March 27th. He said if they agreed we might have roll-offs by May. Mr. Poore encouraged a meeting between the Selectmen and the Recycling Committee to decide what direction Raymond would go in the future - curbside or roll-offs or a combination of each.

c. Jones' Beach parking.

NOTE: Mr. Poore noted his letter to the Maine Department of Transportation requesting that the parking lot across Route 302 from Jones' Beach be made into one of their official Park & Ride locations.

d. Lake Region Development Council Forum.

NOTE: Mr. Poore announced that there would be a Route 302 Development Forum on February 17th at Lake Region High School from 7 to 9 pm.

e. Cumberland County meeting.

NOTE: Mr. Poore announced that there would be a meeting for the Annual Employee Recognition Ceremony on February 23rd at the DoubleTree Hotel in Portland from 8 to 10 am.

f. Time Warner merger with AOL.

NOTE: Mr. Poore provided a letter explaining that the merger of Time Warner and AOL would not change anything in Raymond's contract for cable service.

g. Planning Board meeting on February 14th concerning Jones' Beach proposal.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore indicated that the changes the Planning Board wanted to the plan might be expensive to the Town. However he felt that the meeting had gone well.

h. Yusem abatement.

NOTE: Mr. Poore said that this issue was still being dealt with and would go to court.

i. MMWAC Budget.

NOTE: Mr. Poore indicated that he had a copy of the MMWAC Budget proposal if anyone wanted to look at it.

j. Mini-school bus.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore asked permission from the Selectmen to "junk" an old mini-bus which has been sitting at the Public Works garage for a long time and is no longer a viable vehicle. The Selectmen agreed.

k. Road Posting.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned that the Road Commissioner post the roads February 28, 2000. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

l. Maine Public Broadcasting budget request for \$100.00.

NOTE: Since the request was after the budget was voted upon, it was decided to tell them to submit a request earlier next year so that it can be included.

m. 1999 Town Report.

NOTE: Mr. Poore said that the 1999 Town Report was finished with no substantive changes from their last review.

n. Raymond Teens & Kids.

NOTE: Mr. McClellan announced that a new portion of the Raymond Website would go on line February 17th called Teens & Kids and would have among other things events of interest to youngsters as well as job offerings.

8. Review and authorize February 15, 2000 Treasurer's Warrant.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant in the amount of \$82,763.46.
Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

9. Adjourn.

MOTION: Mark Acker motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Michael McClellan adjourned the meeting at 8:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise H. Lester
Secretary