

SELECTMENS MEETING

May 27th, 2014

6:00 P.M.

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE: Called to order by Joan Brooks, at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Selectmen present.

MINUTES: Meeting of April 15th, 2014. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes. **P. Lyford / C. Baker, Jr. Vote 5-0.**

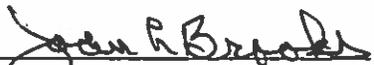
PUBLIC ACCESS: No questions asked.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Fire: Chief Ellis reviewed his April report. Ellis noted it had been a very wet month, which cut down on any grass fire related issues.

The department took delivery of a thermal imaging camera, provided by funds from the Stephen King Foundation. Kudos goes to Lt. Craig Russell, for securing the \$6000.00 grant. Bureau of Labor Standards, which is a required training, has been completed by all but one on the department. The spring CPR Class hosted by our department was a great success, about 30 people in attendance. The Easter Egg Hunt was another big hit, with approximately 250 kids. Chief Ellis reported that the current live-in student, Becky Kendrick, has taken a summer job in Bar Harbor and will be back for her second year in mid August. Todd Daley, from MDI, will join the department as a live-in on the department and he will be here in mid August as well. The Department started a day program recently, providing coverage on weekends, and has been a great success so far.

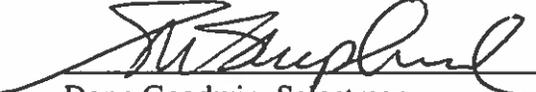
Police: April report copies were given to the board members. Coverage is still being provided by the part time deputies. Deputy Amanda Smith has left the department completely; Deputy Matheson is still providing coverage. Russell will speak to Troy Morton to get an update on Deputy Mason's return.


Joan Brooks, Chairman


Charles Baker, Jr., Selectmen


Peter Lyford, Selectmen


Charles Grover Jr., Vice-Chairman


Donn Goodwin, Selectmen

MICHAEL SHEPHERD

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT: April report copies were given to board

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Rusty Gagnon reported that the proposed Budget for 2014-2015 resulted in an increase of \$12,449.10 for Eddington's share.

(Estimated \$7.50 per registered voter.)

A reconfiguration on how the schools operate K-12 will be done in the fall of 2015. Areas of discussion include combining classes and reducing teaching positions. The reconfiguring will affect elementary schools only, not Holbrook. There will be a task force formed to handle the transition.

Gagnon spoke respectfully about how the teachers and administrators "held the line" and agreed to a pay freeze, including those with contractual increases. The Business Manager, Kelly Theriault, has been a great asset and is doing a great job; everyone is pitching in and working well together. Gagnon touched on the fact that another voice from Eddington would be very helpful.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Snow Plow Bids – Russell informed the Board that no bids have come in at this time and it will be re-advertised.

Clewley Farm Liquor License – A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the license.

P. Lyford / C. Grover, Jr. Vote 5-0.

Sign the warrant for the School Budget Validation Referendum – A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the warrant. **C. Baker, Jr. / C. Grover, Jr. Vote 5-0.**

OTHER BUSINESS: 2014 -2015 Budget – Russell reported that he is still waiting on figures from the bank for rates and info regarding refinancing the building and fire truck. The board will meet on June 2nd to finalize budget figures.

Selectmen Lyford asked about the status of the sign issue with Wilbur Libby and if it hasn't been done, can his license be revoked. Yes, it can be revoked; Russell will instruct the C.E.O. to check on this, ASAP.

Selectmen Baker asked about the vacant property next to the office. Russell told him he has been in touch with a Glen Blair from USDA.

It was also noted that the Historical Society would love to look into purchasing it and making it their building. More information will be shared when available.



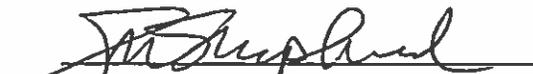
Joan Brooks, Chairman



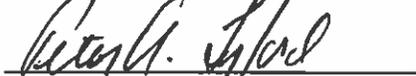
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WARRANTS: Sign warrants for May 2014 – Motion made, seconded and passed to sign warrants
C. Grover, Jr. / D. Goodwin Vote 5-0.

PUBLIC ACCESS: Sue Shane asked if the paving of the Hatcase Pond road was going to happen this summer. Yes, Russell answered, and Hill St as well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to enter into Executive session, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) Town Manager Evaluation at 6:55 p.m.

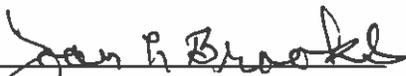
C. Grover, Jr. / P. Lyford Vote 5-0.

Motion made, seconded and passed, to go back into regular session at 7:22 p.m.

C. Baker, Jr. / C Grover, Jr. Vote 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

C. Grover, Jr. / P. Lyford Vote 5-0.


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