

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

January 26th, 2010

6:00 P.M.

Minutes

Public Hearing

Joan Brooks opened the public hearing at 6:00 p.m. Russell Smith spoke about how the Junkyard has been in business, without any problems or complaints. Last year, permission was granted to Mark Corey for auto recycling on the lot, which has since moved to Orrington. No questions or comments were made; the public hearing was closed at 6:02.

CALL TO ORDER: Regular meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by J. Brooks

ROLL CALL: Selectmen Present: Joan Brooks, Donn Goodwin & Charles Baker Jr.
A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the absences of Brian Glass and Charles Grover Jr. as excused. **C. Baker/ D. Goodwin** **Vote 3-0.**

MINUTES: Meeting of December 15th, 2009 – A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve as printed. **D. Goodwin/C. Baker**
Vote 3-0.

PUBLIC ACCESS: A resident, Rusty Gagnon, spoke about the RSU Meeting she had attended the night before the selectmen's meeting, she wanted to give Selectmen a heads up on her take of what went on, she also suggested that Eddington do what Clifton has decided to do, have the school board member elected in March instead of June. Russell told her that was on the agenda.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Fire: Chief Ellis gave his report, commenting on a structure fire in Clifton, that live in student Dale Wunder, and firefighter Craig Russell were on scene within ten minutes of the call. Ellis reported that the call volume is slightly down from last years, expecting it to increase with the cold weather.

Funds for Tower Study - The department is hoping to have a 100 watt repeater added to an existing tower on Chick Hill, which is owned by U.S. Cellular. Andy Emery explained that a New Hampshire Company will do the study for \$3000.00. U.S. Cellular will not allow the antenna unless the study is done first. Capital has been asked to contribute funds to the study but has not responded; therefore Emery is asking permission to spend \$1500.00, to match the \$1500.00 from Holden to fund the study. If Capital contributes, the amount from the towns would drop to \$1000.00. A motion was made, seconded and passed to award the Fire Department \$1500.00 for the study.

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Police: Deputy Mason gave his report, commented on how nice it was having Jim Ellis doing some extra coverage, which is made possible by grant money. Mason complimented the state and local crews for keeping the roads cleaned up during storms. Mason reported that he had covered 91 complaints, adding that the crime rate has dropped over the winter months.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORTS:

Karen Clark spoke about the towns of Orrington and Dedham not wanting to “Play with us” in the R.S.U. due to a public comment they had received. The State has required towns to be in an R.S.U. by June 2010, which gives the school a February 26th deadline to get things in order. Karen spoke about the Holden land deed issue, how there was a motion made to accept the deed, without any school board member’s reviewing the deed. According to Clark, the motion was removed and tabled until next month. A copy of the deed was given to Russell Smith on January 26th, 2010.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT:

Copies of report, included in packets

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

School Board Position – A decision was made to have the election as it would be in March. A motion was made, seconded and passed to rescind the extension of the school board position until June. **C. Baker, Jr./ D. Goodwin**

Vote 3-0.

Nomination Papers in February 12th – Information only

Sign Special Town Meeting Results – A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign results. **C. Baker, Jr. /D. Goodwin** **Vote 3-0.**

SAD #63 Land Transfer Deed – Ray Hart gave a copy to Russell, selectmen will review, to be on next Agenda.

Oak Grove Homeowner Assoc. vs. Town of Eddington – Results info. included in packets.

NEW BUSINESS: Sign Libby’s Junkyard Permit- A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign permit. **C. Baker, Jr. /D. Goodwin** **Vote 3-0.**

S.A.D. #63 Financial Advisory Committee – A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint Ralph Russell as resident and Chuck Baker as Selectmen.

J. Brooks / D. Goodwin **Vote 3-0.**

Penobscot County Recovery Zone Bonds – Info. in Packets

2010-2011 Budget – Copies passed out to board, reviewed current figures. More to follow.

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WARRANT: Sign warrant for January 5th & 19th, 2010. A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the warrant. **C. Baker, Jr./ D. Goodwin Vote 3-0.**

PUBLIC ACCESS: Resident, Rusty Gagnon, spoke about a luncheon she had attended regarding the state’s projected 1 billion dollar shortfall to be announced in November. Karen Clark asked permission to accept a free display case she had access to from UTC, and would like to donate it to the Historical Society. Russell questioned the size and space availability for the case. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. **C.Baker, Jr. / D. Goodwin Vote 3-0.**

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