

Selectmen's Minutes

September 23, 2014

Present: Jim Trudell, Bruce Beane, Steve Moscicki, Donna Clark-AA

Chairman Trudell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Manifests & Invoices:

The manifests for Sept 15th and Sept 22nd were authorized and new invoices for future payment were reviewed and initialed.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was read showing a balance of \$65,086.28 in the WGSB checking account, \$15,086.27 in the WGSB Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) account, and \$225,000.00 in the tax anticipation note (TAN). Trudell motioned to approve the Treasurer's report as given, 2nd by Beane, all voted in favor.

Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for Sept 9th were reviewed. Trudell motioned to approve the minutes as written, 2nd by Moscicki, all voted in favor.

Committee/Department Reports & Needs:

- Clark updated the Board on highway department matters on Tom Smith's behalf. He and Scott are working on winter preparation of roads and equipment until this year's crushing begins. Scott's request for vacation time was approved.
- Trustees of the Trust Funds bookkeeper Lisa Linowes advised that Selectmen should not be signers on trust fund accounts per Terry Knowles of the Attorney General's Charitable Trust Unit. Lisa requested that a letter be sent to Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank confirming Sandra Moscicki as a new Trustee and removing James Trudell from the signature card.
- A timber tax warrant and certification were signed.
- Revised signage for the Dodge Pond boat ramp was discussed.

Public Matters:

Lisbon Regional School principal Steve Sexton and Lyman school board members Beth Hubbard and Steve Sherry met with the Selectmen. Most of the discussion centered on the new Standards-Based Assessment System implemented this fall. It is a system of reporting student proficiency in a number of specific learning competencies (or standards). Although it seemed to be a sudden change to many, LRS has been working towards this goal for six years. The State of NH is requiring that all high schools start using competency-based grading by July 1, 2015. Since LRS is a K-12 school, it was decided to use the program in the elementary and middle school grades as well. Written information and videos are available on the school's website at www.lisbon.k12.nh.us. The Selectmen also indicated that they would like to have one member included in the LRS budget committee as was the case last year. The request will be addressed at the next school board meeting. The

Selectmen thanked the group for coming and explaining the new grading system.

Jerry Landry addressed the Board on behalf of the Lyman Community Group. The Selectmen approved his request to place a Christmas tree near the front of the Town Hall. An outdoor outlet will be installed when wiring is done for the new addition. The LCG would also like to purchase some new tables for the Town Hall which all agreed was a great idea. The Board asked Jerry to represent them at the Sept 30th Lisbon Main Street, Inc. community meeting as he will be attending as a Lyman Community Group member and none of them are available that evening.

Correspondence:

The following were received:

- Sept/Oct 2014 NH Town & City magazine
- Lisbon Main Street, Inc. - Invitation to Sept 30th community meeting
- Webster NH Selectman Bruce Johnson - Request for Selectmen to include a 2015 warrant article to reform state funding for education
- NH Dept of Safety - Discontinuing Emergency Stand-Alone (ESA) functionality for the entire state
- NH Association of Assessing Officials - Ballot for 2015 slate of officers
- Property-Liability Trust, Inc. - Oct 2nd public hearings on proposed rate setting
- HealthTrust - Oct 1st public hearing on proposed changes to bylaws
- HealthTrust - Oct 9th public hearing on proposed rate setting
- HealthTrust - Notice of Dec 10th Annual Meeting
- Primex - Sept 30th public hearings on proposed rate setting
- PSNH - Notice that Lyman's new Community Relations Specialist is Roy Duddy
- Lyman Community Group - Aug 2014 meeting minutes
- North Country Council - Educational primer on broadband in the region

Old Business:

- Beane gave an update on the Town Hall addition. The building is being closed in and roofed. Duane Glidden of Uppanotch Electric will start wiring the first week of October. Options are still being considered for traditional and spray foam insulation. Capitol Alarm and Carpet Barn will be onsite soon to provide quotes.
- The Town received a check in the amount of \$960.00 to cover the cost of replacing a span of guardrail on Pettyboro Rd damaged in a vehicle accident. Beane motioned to accept the funds as unanticipated revenue and to expend them this year on the guardrail replacement, 2nd by Moscicki, all voted in favor. Clark will advise Road Agent Tom Smith to proceed with the project.
- Lisbon Fire Chief George Stevens reviewed the recently constructed turn-around at the end of Mountain Meadows properties on Langway Rd and confirmed in writing that it meets the fire department's needs. The Board of Selectmen will meet Phil Clark, Mountain Meadows Road Committee member, at that location on Oct 6th at 5:30 pm to inspect the improved road and turn-around relative to issuance of building permits.
- The Town is still awaiting the NH DRA utility values necessary to complete the MS-1 form.

New Business:

- The Esri ArcGIS annual software maintenance quotation for \$400 was approved and signed by the Board. This system is required for the CAI mapping program.
- The quarterly Safety Committee meeting will be held on Sept 24th at noon.
- Bill Callendar provided a list of questions people asked about the Town of Lyman at the Lisbon Information Booth in 2014.
- Health Officer Stan Borkowski sent a letter to the bank that now owns a recently foreclosed property about its condition.

Beane motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm, 2nd by Moscicki, all voted in favor.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct 6th, at 6:00 pm.