

**Alton Board of Selectmen  
Public Session I  
November 1, 2010  
Alton Town Hall**

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At 6:00pm the Chairman convened the Selectmen's Meeting and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence, those present included the following members of the Board and staff:

David Hussey, Chairman  
Peter Bolster, Selectman  
R. Loring Carr, Selectman  
E. Russell Bailey, Town Administrator

**Approval of the Agenda** – R. Bailey announced a change to the Agenda, that the Board of Health for the Kennedy Property has been postponed and only the New Ordinance will be discussed. P. Bolster motioned to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by L. Carr and passed with all in favor.

**Appointment** – DOT Representatives from the Traffic Bureau advised they had reviewed issues at the Busy Corner Intersection of Route 11 and Rand Hill Road, including traffic signs and lighting on Rte 11, at both east and west locations. They also looked at the possibility of installation of stop signs and the history of crashes. They noted issues with parked vehicles at the Post office and store. Vehicles exiting Rand Hill Road, have to pull out into the intersection. And to enter Rand Hill Road, vehicles have to wait for oncoming traffic eastbound. In a discussion, The Board reviewed issues of persons turning left at the Bay Post Office, vehicles coming to a stop at the post office, drivers not paying attention to warning signs, the mail truck parked on the corner, making visibility and turning more difficult, even though "No Parking" signs have been installed, a main issue to having drivers come to a stop before going onto Rand Hill Road, a one way road would be solution but that would mean driving 2 miles, installing different lighting might be helpful, such as a strobe light. Multi-way stops were also discussed as a solution, especially for large trucks turning left onto Rte. 11, or to make it a T. Painting the word STOP in the road, using flashing beacon, a left lane stop sign., caution or stop sign under the blinking light and looking at clearance, which is now 16-17', flashing arrow, maybe use a flashing red arrow, making Rand Hill the State highway, removing buildings, leaving a section of Rte 11 for local traffic only, the impact on business and the campground. Following their review of suggestions and ideas, and similar situations in other Towns, using paved striping, discussion also involved the 28A intersection and island. It was noted there is no easy solutions, a suggestion was made about using rumble strips. It was agreed a one-way loop was not feasible. The DOT representatives stated they would take these ideas and come back to the Board again.

**Board of Health New Ordinance –**

It was noted only three Selectmen were present but R. Bailey advised the Board could meet as Board of Health to review a policy, but they did not have to make a decision or vote tonight. D. Hussey motioned to recess as Board of Selectmen and to convene as Board of Health the motion was seconded and passed with all in favor. The Board met with John Dever, III Health Officer and reviewed the existing regulations for sewage disposal systems and the proposed sewage disposal systems as presented (see attached). They reviewed the DES consolidated list of water bodies in the Shoreland Protection but noted Coffin Brook and Mill Pond, and seasonal brooks were not recognized and if the Board wanted to add them to the list. Following a discussion, it was agreed to address any issues not covered in the policy, to redo the language in workshop session and finalize the policy at the next regular meeting.

J. Dever stated that he will be updating the Board on high risk systems and those would include septic systems over 20 years old.

D. Hussey motioned to adjourn as Board of Health and reconvene as Board of Selectmen, the motion was seconded and passed with all in favor.

Selectmen's Committee Reports were waived.

**Town Administrator's Report**

R. Bailey presented the Board with Workers Comp Agreement LGC-PLIP will be on for the next agenda.

He is still looking for more information on Health Insurance.

He noted T. Sargent had presented a Town Equalization Report, for the Board's signature

He noted the Fire Chief has put together a draft bid for the roof and paving the apron at the CFS. L. Carr questioned specifications about the 6" thickness of the apron. Standards were discussed, including the engineer's recommendations. Also J. Dever advised he would come back to the Board with his opinion on the psi for the specifications as submitted; 80x30x6 The Board also discussed the roof specifications and life-time warranty on the shingles.

R. Bailey advised the State has notified the Town they will be making repairs to the Dam on Merry Meeting River at Letter S. Road.

R. Bailey continued K. Roberts had some figures as requested for improvements at Echo Point Road. Costs could amount to over \$4000. However certain residents do not want a change. It was recommended that

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K. Roberts talk to the State about safety regulations and to conduct a public hearing giving residents there the opportunity to speak.

**Public Input I**

Barbara Howard – B. Howard spoke about preserving the lake and trash/garbage left on the ice after winter activities. To be sure trash receptacles were available. She was advised there are trash barrels in place.

Raymond Howard – R. Howard commented on the fire station apron and the size. He stated 6” should be fine as proposed. A 3’ apron may be sufficient in his opinion.

**Selectmen's Minutes**

L. Carr moved to table a vote on the minutes of 10-18-2010, seconded by P. Bolster and passed with all in favor.

**Old Business**

1. R. Bailey noted he had a copy of the building projects made by Selectmen Carr. Also the Board would need to review Town property sales and non-profit appropriations. The Board may have to consider the use of the Cemetery Worker working for the Highway Department, his time and overhead costs (benefits). He would be hourly for the Highway, but he is a salaried worker for the Cemetery. He noted CIP will be meeting soon, that consideration has to be given to potential warrant articles and building projects. He asked about a workshop, it was agreed to meet on Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. L. Carr asked about a Police Car and if the vehicle could be inspected on Thursday.

**New Business**

1. Vote on recommendations of the Assessing Agent – D. Hussey motioned to approve the recommendation as submitted, seconded by L. Carr and passed with all in favor.

**Public Input II**

None

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**Non-Public Session** – D. Hussey motioned to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA91-A;3 II

(a) (c) and (e) the motion was seconded and the Chairman then polled the members who each voted in the affirmative and the motion passed, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia A. Rockwood, Secretary

Minutes Approved: November 15, 2010