

ALTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes
Public Session I
December 3, 2012
ALTON TOWN HALL

The meeting was convened at 6:00pm those members and staff present included the following:

R. Loring Carr, Vice Chair
Peter Bolster, Member
Marc DeCoff, Member
E. Russell Bailey, Town Administrator
Note: Selectmen Hussey and Johnson absent

L. Carr led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence.

Approval of the Agenda

R. Bailey recommended tabling Item #5 in New Business and to add Item #7 – Annual Ground Monitoring Report. M. DeCoff motioned to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by L. Carr and passed with all in favor.

Selectmen's Committee Reports

Peter Bolster updated the Board on the status of the fundraiser efforts for the Senior Center. Donations are coming in and volunteers have offered their services towards finishing the second phase of the project.

Marc DeCoff noted the Budget Committee had met yesterday and that Mr. Ingolsby has resigned. They are looking for an individual to fill the vacancy.

Town Administrator's Verbal Report & Update

1) Town Generators - R. Bailey provided a draft bid for one contractor to service the Town's generators (5) as it would be more effective rather than individual service contracts. He recommended putting this matter out to bid and he will also check with the school to see if they want to participate. L. Carr motioned to put a service contract out to bid within five days, (depending on the school) seconded by M. DeCoff and passed with all in favor.

2) Worker's Compensation Coverage - R. Bailey and the Board reviewed the independent contractor (non-employee) work agreement and waivers, it was agreed to have R. Bailey come back with a list of contractors for the Board's review based on staff recommendations as required.

- 3) Equalization Report – R. Bailey noted this is an annual data report from the Assessor, M. DeCoff motioned to approve and sign the report, seconded by L. Carr and passed with all in favor.
- 4) County Commissioners Hearing – R. Bailey noted the County Commissioners are conducting a Public Hearing for their budget on December 10, 2012.
- 5) Places Mill Bridge – R. Bailey advised that the Town has filed for final reimbursement from the State on the Places Mill Bridge project for the amount of \$213,560.57. Total costs for all the work was approximately \$538,122.41.

Public Input – None

Vote to Approve Selectmen's Minutes:

L. Carr motioned to approve the minutes of November 5, 2012, Public Session I & II and the (sealed) Non-Public Session minutes releasing # 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7, the motion was seconded by M. DeCoff and passed with all in favor.

L. Carr motioned to approve the Workshop minutes of November 14, 2012 as submitted, seconded by M. DeCoff for discussion. It was suggested that members of the Milfoil Committee who attended the meeting be identified, following their review it was agreed to have members of the Milfoil Committee identified in the minutes, for the record, the motion passed with all in favor.

L. Carr motioned to approve the Workshop minutes, Public Session I & II and Sealed Minutes of November 26, 2012, seconded by M. DeCoff and passed with all in favor.

Old Business

- 1) 2013 Budget/Warrant - R. Bailey noted the Budget Committee has requested the warrant and the CIP. R. Bailey explained the warrant is in draft format and the Board reviewed the CIP items. It was agreed to send the warrant in draft format to the budget committee.
- 2) Town Hall Project Status – R. Bailey and the Board reviewed the project underway to replace windows (60), quotes for lighting, chimney work (liner) removing old insulation, staining and other upgrades including fans and carpeting. R. Bailey stated he expects more quotes on the chimney.
- 3) Transfer Station – R. Bailey advised that the frame work is up, waiting for the roof and trim panels and the project should be completed by the 14th of December.

New Business

- 1) Speed Limit Request – this request was that Roger Street speed limit be lowered. Following their discussion, L. Carr motioned to put up a “Slow Curve/Congested Area” sign seconded by M. Decoff and passed. It was suggested that the Police monitor the road.
- 2) Paving Request – It was noted this request is for an area in the vicinity of Sunset Lake. This item was tabled until a site visit can be completed by the Board.
- 3) Public Service of NH – Pole Petition – M. Decoff motioned to approve the Pole petition request for Project # 41-398 on Hollywood Beach Road., seconded by L. Carr and passed with all in favor.
- 4) Vote to Approve Land Use items submitted by the Town Assessor – L. Carr read the items as presented and motioned to approve the recommendations of the Town Assessor, seconded by M. Decoff and passed with all in favor.
- 5) Milfoil Bids - This item was withdrawn from the Agenda.
- 6) Castleberry Fair – Request to utilize the Bay in July and August – R. Bailey noted this is an annual request, there have been no issues in the past three years, they pay for a police officer to be in attendance. M. Decoff motioned to approve the request to include that Castelberry Fairs pay for septic pumping and there is no exclusivity, the motion was seconded by L. Carr and passed with all in favor.

P Bolster noted that in regards to a milfoil contract, the issue of using herbicides would be important considering the area is in close proximity to Town wells which need to be protected. These wells are not deep. The Board reviewed the possibility of meeting with other Towns to review this situation and perhaps work on legislation to protect against milfoil. More on this matter will be brought up at a future meeting.

- 7) Annual Ground Water Monitoring Report - R. Bailey presented the report to the members. R. Bailey advised this is an analysis of testing that has been done. A workshop will be scheduled with the engineer within a couple of weeks for further review.

Public Input II

None

R. Bailey noted that two weeks ago the walking path was completed from Ginny Douglas Path to Route 28.

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Non-Public Session – L. Carr motioned to enter into Non-public session pursuant to RSA91-A:3,II, seconded by M. Decoff, L. Carr polled the members who each voted in the affirmative and the motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Rockwood, Secretary

Minutes Approved: January 7, 2013
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