

Pownal Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting
November 7th, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7 pm. All members present. Also present was AA Scott Seaver, Road Commissioner, Fire Chief Jesse Peters.

Payroll Warrant #33 - Motion by Jon Morris, 2nd by Tim Giddinge to approve. SO VOTED.

Acct. Payable Warrant 34 – Motion by Jon Morris, 2nd by Mr. Fauver to approve. SO VOTED

Additional invoice – Motion by Mr. Fauver, 2nd by Mr. Giddinge to approve payment to Dalmatian Fire Equipment to be written and placed on the next warrant. SO VOTED

Public Comment –

Jim Boyles - noted that the grounds committee had met and chosen Tri-State Flag to install the flagpole in May of 2012. He also noted that flags should be budgeted to be replaced each year. They are in hopes of dedicating the flag pole Memorial Day. Mr. Giddinge noted that a letter would be signed later in the evening as a thank you to the Historical Society for their timely donation of \$500 to the Mallett Hall account.

David Marstaller was present along with his surveyor Wayne Wood showing their survey which they claim shows that land that the town feels was foreclosed on and now is town property is actually land owned now by Mr. Marstaller. Mr. Giddinge noted that he was leaning toward the fact that the land does belong to the heirs of Ernest Marstaller and that he recommended assessing the property back 3 years. Mr. Giddinge felt the Board may need more advice from MMA legal staff and possibly the Town Attorney. Mr. Wood offered to leave copies of all his material for the Board's consideration. The Board will advise Mr. Marstaller when the item will be discussed again.

Jim Briggs was present as member of the Ordinance Review committee.. He noted wanting to have some items by Town Meeting 2012. Discussion ensued regarding a lighting ordinance and how it might be affected by the new building code.

Dept. Head Reports

Fire Chief Jesse Peters – Wellness calls – he noted that 1 person had signed up previously but has since withdrawn from the program. He noted that he has been having people show up at his home on Sundays for fire permits. He also inquired as to whether anyone knew when the Fire Station gas conversion would be done. Both Mr. Giddinge and Seaver will try to gather more information.

Road Commissioner Shawn Bennett – Advised the Board that culvert legislation had arisen again and he will be attending the first task force meeting on the subject. He noted that he was not on any standing committees, however would like to attend occasionally to remain in the loop. He noted that employee Don Randall had broken his foot and would be out of work for some time. He noted that the PCWA system needed to be marked better and had spoken to Yarmouth Water District about how to do this. Mr. Giddinge noted that the PCWA should be holding a meeting soon.

Administrative Assistant Scott Seaver – Noted the election to be held November 8th from 8am to 8pm. Also noted that auditors would be in the office on November 14th. Seaver will be out of the office on November 15th at an MMA training seminar. He noted that he is working on making sure that Kim Best is adequately trained in accounts payable and payroll. He will be distributing trio based budget worksheets to department heads by December 1st.

Correspondence - On motion by Mr. Giddinge, 2nd by Mr. Morris, the board signed a thank you letter to the Pownal Scenic and Historical Society regarding their generous contribution to the maintenance of Mallett Hall.

The Board acknowledged the receipt of a thank you letter from Freeport Fire and Rescue regarding the assistance rendered by Pownal Fire recently.

The board acknowledged and edited the Key List provided by the Town Office.

Mr. Giddinge noted that he had received a complaint from G. Rines regarding the use of a town vehicle.

Mr. Morris noted that he has completed a GA refresher course at Human Services offices in Augusta.

Unfinished business – 1. Gas Conversion – line has been run to town office and public works garage, not to fire station yet.

2. Mailer – will be ready about December 1st.

Animal Control Officer – Dick Hogue has offered to be interim ACO.

New Business –

Marstaller Property – Mr. Giddinge will be contacting MMA Legal.

Ballot Clerks – On motion by Mr. Fauver, 2nd by Mr. Giddinge the following people were appointed as ballot clerks:

Kathy Hogue, Lorelei Lowell, Linda Rowbottom, Marie Wendt

Other business – Mr. Giddinge felt that a revisit of the Compensation Policy may be necessary to clarify how overtime is calculated when there is sick time or holiday time or other PTO during the week the overtime occurs. Mr. Morris suggested that a workshop may be necessary to clarify this. A workshop on the matter was scheduled for November 21st at 630pm prior to the regular meeting.

GPCOG – representatives from GPCOG will be attending the meeting on November 21st.

Tax Map Updates – When are they scheduled.

On motion by Mr. Giddinge, 2nd by Mr. Fauver, meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

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SCOTT W. SEAVER, TOWN CLERK