

Pownal Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting – March 19th, 2012

Meeting called to order by Mr. Fauver at 7:00 pm.

Payroll Warrant #66 – Motion by Mr. Morris to approve Warrant 66 as presented. 2nd by Mr. Fauver. SO VOTED.

Accounts Payable Warrant #67 – Motion by Mr. Morris to approve Warrant 67 as presented. 2nd by Mr. Fauver. SO VOTED.

Minutes of March 5th, 2012 – Motion by Mr. Morris, 2nd by Mr. Fauver to approve. SO VOTED.

Public Comment – Christopher Hyde, Judy Hopkins and Melissa McCrea were present to request that the speed limit on the gravel portion of Poland Range Road be reviewed. Their request was to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph. After much discussion, motion by Mr. Morris to forward the request to MDOT for review, 2nd by Mr. Fauver. SO VOTED.

Dept Head Reports – None presented.

Old Business –

Outstanding Zoning Issues – Carpenter Volvo Garage – Craig Vosmus was present to discuss the ongoing issue. He felt the plan presented by the owner was sufficient with the exception of the need for a pad to contain fluids when dismantling a vehicle. He will be issuing a written opinion on the plan to the owner.

Amanda Dyer request to purchase piece of Town Property – The board will be requesting that the Conservation Commission in inventory and provide guidance on the usability of all town parcels, along with a recommendation on whether to dispose of any pieces. A member of the Board will communicate this to Ms. Dyer.

Volunteers Insurance – It was noted that funds had been approved for Volunteers Insurance and not yet purchased. Cost is \$2.50 per volunteer for fiscal year. Motion by Mr. Giddinge, 2nd by Mr. Morris to approve enrollment in this 11-12 fiscal year. SO VOTED (2-1, Fauver)

Ongoing Budget Discussions – Seaver will get maintenance quotes on computers. Consensus was to continue GA budget at \$4500... Discussion was held regarding cleaning services. Seaver will continue to look for alternative methods. He will check Compensation Policy for method of amendments.

ACO Training – Seaver noted that mandatory ACO training was for 3 full consecutive days, and the ACO had noted that it would be difficult to attend. Seaver noted he had been told there was no alternative to the 3 consecutive days. He will continue to try to arrange other times for training.

PCWA- discussion of developing a “sinking fund” as established in the original documents. Seaver will review the establishing documents and report back to the Board.

Custodial Services – Seaver will review remaining funding. Mr. Morris noted that he would be suggesting that the Scouts do some deep cleaning and sprucing up of rooms at the town office.

Painting – Seaver noted he had not yet heard from the painters as to when they would be painting.

Floor in Dewitt Room – Seaver will get pricing on sanding and finishing the floor.

CIP Committee – Will be meeting prior to the Budget Committee meeting on Wednesday March 28th at 6 pm...Budget committee will meet at 7 pm. The Selectmen will meet in workshop session with the CIP Committee.

Marstaller Property - Seaver will contact Donna Hays regarding pricing of the assessment on the Marstaller property.

Excise Tax Exemption – motion by Mr. Giddinge to place ordinance for excise exemption for active military on Town Meeting warrant. 2nd by Mr. Morris. SO VOTED (2-1, Fauver)

Fireworks Ordinance – Motion by Mr. Giddinge to develop a fireworks ordinance for placement on the Town Meeting warrant. Motion failed for lack of 2nd.

Direct Mail Program – Seaver noted to the board that a new postal service program could provide substantial savings in the town’s mailings to box holders.

Map changes - Mr. Fauver noted that he had received specifications for files for survey work that would make changing the tax maps much easier and efficient. The specifications will be forwarded to the Planning Board, and Code Officer.

Mr. Morris noted he had received correspondence from an individual interested in the town succeeding from RSU 5.

Mr. Giddinge reported on the joint RSU, Freeport Council, Pownal and Durham selectmen meeting held in Freeport

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

