

Pownal Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting
May 19th, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm. All members were present.

Payroll Warrant # 81 – Motion by Mr. Fauver, 2nd by Mr. Morris, to approve as presented. SO VOTED

AP Warrant # 82 – Motion by Mr. Morris, 2nd by Mr. Fauver to approve as presented. SO VOTED.

Minutes of May 5, 2014 – Motion to approve as presented by Mr. Morris, 2nd by Mr. Fauver. SO VOTED

Public Comment – NONE

Public Hearing – sale of town land – Mr. Giddinge read the proposed article with deed restrictions. Questions by George Anderson, Teresa Kelly and Jim Boyles. Mr. Giddinge noted that the board had not yet decided if there would be a minimum bid amount. With no other questions or comments, the public hearing was closed.

Public Hearing – Off Premises catering Permit – Knights of Columbus - Mr. Giddings read the application for an event at 284 Allen Road. Mr. Giddinge noted that the stop signs should be installed before any events are scheduled. Mr. Fauver felt the permit for catering had nothing to do with the stop sign issued. After some discussion, motion by Mr. Morris to issue, with a letter reminding the Curry's of the stop sign issue, 2nd by Mr. Fauver. SO VOTED.

Department Head Reports – Mr. Bennett noted that he would like to work with H. Crooker again for paving. There was a line in last year's contract that held the price per ton, with a cost escalator, for this year also. The consensus of the board was that this was fine as it had been discussed and approved last year. Mr. Bennett also talked about dollar amount for new plow truck for town meeting. It was agreed that the warrant article would be for "up to \$150,000". He noted the Elmwood Road/Allen Road stop sign project and that he was in the process of locating a vendor for the solar powered stop signals.

Fire Chief Peters noted that an online electronic burning permit had been developed. Cost is \$75.00 per year, with a 6 month trial period free. The Board approved the trial period.

AA Scott Seaver noted that he was working on printable version of the budget for town warrant, and the town report. The credit card processing was active and ready to go. He felt he will need to replace the Deputy Clerks desk with an ergonomically correct one.

Recreation Committee Brochure – Board noted the request to print some, and noted the Committee had no budget. Seaver said getting 75-100 printed was not a big deal, and could be accommodated. The board noted a few issues with the content, and questions whether some of the businesses would contribute to the expense of the brochure. Those issues and questions will be forwarded back to Kathy Hogue.

John Carpenter- was present at the board's request to discuss the CEO's letter to comply with the town and state ordinances. Mr. Carpenter's lawyer Matthew Kamwitt was present and spoke for his client. He felt there had been a lack of communication in both directions on the matter. Mr. Carpenter wanted

some sort of assurance from the town that if he executes the plan that he proposed to the board a year ago, that it would be accepted. Mr. Giddinge noted the next move must be Carpenters as the CEO had issued a directive. Mr. Fauver noted that this was a case of a citizen not feeling a town official was being communicative. Mr. Kamwitt noted that his client did not want the expense of litigation. It was the consensus of the board to give Mr. Carpenter until the end of July to satisfy the requirements of the CEO and put the matter to rest.

Mallett Hall and Grounds Committee – Jim Boyles was present to give the Board a list of items from the committee's inspection of the building. Some items had been on last year's list. He also mentioned the ramp and the possibility of applying for another grant in the future. He noted that they would like to be consulted prior to paint colors being picked for the office interior areas.

RSU #5 Warrant – The Board executed the RSU #5 referendum warrant.

Town State Election Warrant – The Board voted to execute the election warrant for the Town and State, and will all stop in this week to sign.

Budget Committee report – was being edited to change road commissioner co-operation to be for one more year. The Cemetery budget was present to the Budget Committee for an additional \$1000. The board was fine with this.

Seaver was reminded that an article was needed to re-authorize the sharing of the Road Commissioner with the Town of Durham.

Mr. Giddinge moved to enter executive session to discuss a legal matter at 9:00 pm. 2nd by Mr. Fauver. Executive session exited at 9:25 pm.

Meeting adjourned.