

Pownal Board of Selectmen  
Minutes of Meeting  
July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7 PM. All members were present.

Payroll Warrant #6 – Motion by Jon Morris, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Anderson to approve as presented. SO VOTED.

AP Warrant # 7 – Motion by Mr. Morris, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Anderson to approve as presented. SO VOTED.

Minutes of July 13, 2015 – Motion by Mr. Morris to approve as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Anderson. SO VOTED.

Public Comments – Mark Sheldon of Poland Range Road was present to let the Board know about shooting on the town owned property there. He feels it has escalated a lot in the recent past. It sometimes last 3-4 days in a row. He does not feel the participants are from Pownal. The Board agreed to investigate further, and to discuss the possible need for a firearms policy in the near future.

Department Head Reports – Seaver noted vacation as of Thursday. He also noted that all tax map revisions had been taken to map maker. The reval company will meet with the Board on August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Generator should be installed on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Contractors looking at furnace in Public works this week. 30 day lien notices have been sent. New computer set up for DEO.

Road Commissioner noted that chip seal is completed on Verrill Rd. Fickett Road is coming along after having rented a hammer hoe to remove ledge. Drainage is being installed and they will be careful not to go too deep. Flaggers have been hard to find. Mr. Morris noted that he had spoken with some folks along the work area, and they seemed quite happy with the work.

CEO contract with North Yarmouth. Motion by Mr. Giddinge to approve the 1-year contract, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Morris. SO VOTED.

Tax Rate – Seaver reviewed the worksheets and the amount of overlay each would provide. After some discussion regarding fund balance and the rate increase, it was moved by Mr. Giddinge, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Anderson to set the mill rate at \$35.75 per thousand value for the 15-16 fiscal year. SO VOTED.

Local Road Assistance Program – Mr. Giddinge moved that the certification for this program be signed. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Morris. SO VOTED.


Carryover Funds – Seaver reviewed the carryover funds as they exist at this point and their suggested uses. Motion by Mr. Giddinge, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Morris to approve of said funds and to sign document for the Auditor. SO VOTED.

Maine Municipal Bond Bank – it was noted that a substantial savings had been realized by the refunding of one of the bonds, which results in an interest savings over the next several years.

Jensen Baird Seminar – it was noted the law firm was holding a seminar for its clients on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8:30 pm.

County Finance Committee – it was noted a vacancy exists.

Planning Board Appointments – Motion by Mr. Giddinge to appoint Shawn Bennett as an Alternate on the Planning Board. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Anderson. SO VOTED.



Mr. Morris hoped that as people asked questions regarding the revaluation process that the Board speaks with one voice, forwarding questions to the Town Office and the contractor.

Mr. Giddinge suggested some seminars with Jeremy Shultz regarding tree growth and open space opportunities for tax payers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM



AA Report – July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Vacation – July 30<sup>th</sup> through August 9<sup>th</sup>

Available via email---will check it 3 times a day

All Tax map revisions checked back to 2012 (last revision) All changes indexed and forwarded to Judy Colby-George. Should be available prior to start of Reval.

Reval company to meet with board on August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00

Fire Chief on vacation this week.

All land and building changes done in trio – all town meeting items listed and matched – suggestions made for tax rate on sample tax rate calculation sheets. Hope to print bills on Wednesday for mailing as soon as back from vacation.

Have ordered State Bureau of Revenue Services Revaluation pamphlet – will be available to do mailer in mid August.

Generator should be installed August 7<sup>th</sup>, need to arrange for gas line

Contractors looking at furnace in PWD this week...hope for firm prices when I get back from vacation.

30 day lien notices are out, due Monday August 10<sup>th</sup>.....many have been paid.

New computer purchased and installed for CEO....small desktop-well within budget. Will use laptop for Reval folks....will hold off on buying new laptop until reval project is about done.