

TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. Selectmen present were James McIlroy, Janet Smith and Roberta Gerkin. Others present were Budget Advisory Committee members Jamie Thompson, Jackie Horgan, Gregg Corson, Win Fream, John Hayden and Michael Sununu, Wolfe Tone and Wendy Chase.

Payroll and accounts payable checks were reviewed and signed.

The MS5 document completed by Plodzik and Sanderson was reviewed and signed. Wendy will send a copy to NH Dept. of Revenue.

A report of a pot hole on River Road was received by the Board. Wendy will let Brian Knipstein know.

The members of the Budget Advisory Committee came in to discuss the upcoming budget year. The Selectmen advised the members that if anyone wished to resign to please do so in writing.

The Budget Advisory members expressed their opinions on what would make the budget process run more smoothly. They would like to have better communication with the Board of Selectmen. The members would like a detailed charter from the Board explaining what they expect from the Budget Committee members. The Committee members would like the Board to be more involved in informing each Department what is expected of them when working with the Budget Advisory Committee. The members would like current budget reports from Treasurer Don Doane to see where each Department is at on their budgets. Mike Sununu explained that they would like each Department to provide a Capital Improvement Plan. James explained that Reuben Hull and the Planning Board are working on retrieving CIPs from each Department. James also explained that the Buildings Advisory Committee is currently taking an inventory of town owned buildings and collecting input on future space needs from each Department.

The Budget Advisory Committee decided to hold their first meeting on Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. It was suggested to have them hold their meetings on Tuesdays when the Selectmen meet so there is always someone there to let them in the building. They would like a copy of the June 2005 budgets for each Department at their first meeting. Wendy will contact Don Doane and have him email each member a copy before July 12<sup>th</sup>. She will also request he email copies of the budgets to the Selectmen.

A motion was made and seconded to go into non public session pursuant to RSA 91A:3II(d) and all were in favor. The Selectmen met with Wolfe Tone and discussed the following on the Piscassic Greenway Project:

- CELP money looks good.
- Need 4 Million Dollars in non Federal funds for the matching funds.
- Snowmobiling on the property was discussed.
- Easement currently in the works, Melissa in Burlington, VT should have it by the middle of next week.
- Rockingham Land Trust and Newfields will review the easement and make any necessary modifications the lawyers will then review. Should have a general agreement by the end of September and a final agreement by October.
- Future potential Wells were discussed.
- Easement Holder was discussed.
- Meet with Wolfe Tone and Brian Hart on July 26<sup>th</sup> to discuss easement.

The correspondence from Fran Lane to the Planning Board was reviewed. He advised the Planning Board to deny acceptance of the subdivision application from Les Case until the Grist Mill property's ownership was solved.

Dottie Dawson called to let the Selectmen know that she will have her annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Supervised children will walk along Piscassic, Nelson and Dixon Ave. Wendy informed the Police Department.

Janet made a motion to approve the minutes of June 21, 2005, Roberta seconded and all were in favor.

The upcoming 5k road race run by Larry Arend was discussed. The issue of liability insurance is a main concern. Proceeds from the race will be donated to the Friends of the Library and the Girls on the Run. The Selectmen are concerned that if it is not a town sponsored event than it should not be covered by town liability insurance. A note from Larry Arend stating the race was sponsored by the Newfields Library was reviewed. Roberta will call Larry and ask for a copy of the Library minutes regarding this topic.

The Selectmen reviewed the proposal for the Library expansion plans. The Library Trustees and Reuben Hull will be at next week's Selectmen's meeting to discuss this topic further.

The Selectmen will also discuss the following with Reuben at next week's meeting: ADA compliancy, GASBE 34 and cul-de-sacs.

Roberta updated the Board on the June Planning Board meeting.

Roberta made a motion to adjourn at 10:45pm, James seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy V. Chase