

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes 02-23-2015

Present: 1st Selectman Galen Larrabee, 2nd Selectman Jeffrey Stevens, 3rd Selectman William Ingraham, Town Clerk Carol Wentworth, Treasurer Dorrit Emerson, Planning Board Chair Mark Chadwick, Planning Board member Jacob Bryant, Code Enforcement Officer David Schofield and Tom Berry

Meeting called to order by Galen at 6:05PM.

The minutes of the February 10, 2015 were accepted as written by a vote of 3-0.

The Public Hearing on proposed ordinances was opened for discussion. David Schofield, CEO, reviewed the Floodplain Management Ordinance for those present. Upon his recommendation, the Board of Selectmen voted 3 -0 to implement a \$50.00 fee for Article IV. According to David, there are no changes in the maps except they now have more clarification than the previous ones. The ordinance will be certified by the selectman with the town meeting warrant and then posted with the warrant.

Mark Chadwick and Jacob Bryant presented the proposed changes to the Building Ordinance. The Board of Selectman voted 3-0 to have four separate articles for changes on Accessory buildings, Setbacks to be 15' on both sides of the road, Quorum and removing "Building Inspector" from the description. There was discussion on the Permit tracking Process Form. Carol stated that the current form was cumbersome to work with and needed to be simplified. Dorrit suggested it be simplified to a two-step process for the town office staff. When an application is filed with the town office, the applicant's name, the date and assigned number will be put on a Master List of Building Permit Applications. The Planning Board and or CEO would then deal with the application. The second step for the town office staff would be to log in the completed paperwork with any accompanying fees.

The auditor is scheduled to be at the office on March 9 & 10 at 9AM.

The Board voted 3-0 to set prices for cemetery double lots @ \$500, single lots @ \$250 and urn lots @ \$100 with 30% of all sales to go to perpetual care. Dorrit will do further research on the investment of cemetery funds.

Carol gave the Board a listing of all properties foreclosed on through the tax lien process. The Board voted 3-0 to send a letter to all the named parties with a deadline of March 31, 2015 for payment of taxes. The town will put properties up for bid after this date.

Absentee ballots are now available for the town election on March 20, 2015.

Willie has not been able to connect with Ron Valles about replacing the front door of the town office. Ryan Herz, electrician, has not returned to finish the needed electrical work. A call needs to be made to him to set a date for completion.

The Board voted 3-0 to have "Go Daddy" host our website at \$3.99/month for a five year contract. The domain name will expire at the same time in the year 2020.

The Animal Welfare Program sent information on cat complaints. This packet will be given to the ACO Scott Holmes. The DEP Solid Waste/Recycle report needs to be completed and returned. MMA Risk Management sent a memo warning towns about potential roof collapses due to snow weight. Maine

Audubon is offering Stream Smart workshops. Waldo County Commissioners sent a notice of a free showing of "How County Government Works." The County of Waldo sent a County Tax Comparison FY2014 and FY2015.

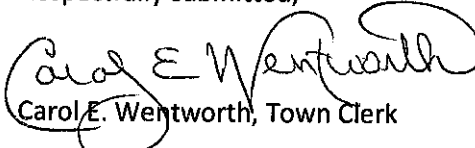
The mail carrier suggested that we attach our mailbox to the office and she will then be able to do an official dismount for our mail. The board also had a discussion on the winter sand pile.

The Board members reviewed the town meeting warrant articles. They will meet to sign the warrant and certify the ordinances on Saturday, March 28 at noon. Carol & Dorrit hope to start printing town reports next week.

The Treasurer's warrant was reviewed and signed by the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Carol E. Wentworth, Town Clerk