

North Berwick Board of Selectmen's Minutes: April 2, 2013

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Present: Chairman Hart, Selectman Galemmo, Selectman Danforth, Selectman Folsom and Selectman Drew.

Also Present: Dwayne Morin.

Chairman Hart opened the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review and Approve Minutes of March 26, 2013

Selectman Folsom moved to approve the minutes of March 26, 2013, Selectman Drew seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0 in Favor.

3. Public Input:

No Public Input

4. Unfinished Business:

A. FY14: Town Meeting

Dwayne presented the Board of Selectmen with the Maine Moderators manual as they had requested in previous meetings. All things are set for Town Meeting and it is hoped that many residents will vote on the referendum questions and attend the Town Meeting afternoon session.

Dwayne presented to the Board a copy of the Grant Application submitted to the Maine Community Foundation on the proposed Elroy Day Canoe Launch. The grant seeks funding in the amount of \$24,000.00 from the Foundation to assist in the acquisition and development of the Canoe Launch contingent on the Town has completing the land swap with Pratt and Whitney.

B. Foreclosures

Dwayne stated that at previous Board meeting, the Board requested Dwayne to contact the individuals whose properties had been foreclosed upon for lack of payment of taxes to see if they would like to enter into a Land Purchase Installment contract to pay the taxes and fees on the property.

Dwayne informed the Board that Mr. Lynn Day, representative of the Barbara Day property, has stated that he could have the taxes paid on the property located off Company woods Road by June 15, 2013. Dwayne stated that since this is such a short time frame that the Board should consider not entering into a Land Installment payment plan and just move to allow for the payment of the back taxes by the June 15, 2013 date. This would save Mr. Day the funds that would be required to enter into the contract and the registration costs. It was moved by Selectman Drew and seconded by Selectman Galemme to allow Mr. Day until June 15, 2013 to make payment on the property identified as Map 1, Lot 5 on all taxes, fees and interest bringing the account current. Vote 5-0 in favor.

**Reminders: Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting – April 16, 2013 - 6:30 p.m. Municipal Building
Town Meeting – April 6, 2013 – Noble High School**

5. New Business:

A. Insurance – Liberty Mutual Opportunity for Employees

Dwayne has been approached by Liberty Mutual to offer a group discount to North Berwick employees for auto and home insurance. There is no cost to the town other than a little coordination from staff. Liberty will hold information meetings and give individual quotes for employees interested. The standard deduction would be 10% off their best rates. Dwayne presented the Board with the copy of the agreement between Liberty Mutual and the Town to offer this voluntary opportunity. Dwayne stated that anytime the town can offer benefits to the employees to save them money in their daily lives has benefit. This proposal would have no direct cost to the taxpayers.

It was moved by Selectman Galemme and seconded by Selectmen Folsom to enter into the contract with Liberty Mutual for the Group Savings Plus Program. Vote 5-0 in favor.

B. Parks and Recreation: Activities Booklet 2013

Dwayne presented the Board with the recently completed Parks and Recreation activities booklet for 2013. The 28 page booklet printing will be completed prior to Town Meeting so that we can begin distribution. Due to the size of the booklet, we have opted to not mail out the booklet but instead make it available around town. We will also be sending a copy home with all the elementary students at North Berwick Elementary and Mary Hurd Schools. We will have them available at the different signups held throughout the year.

It is planned to have the booklet available earlier in the year next year. With this being the inaugural booklet, it took longer to assemble all the information to be printed.

6. Other Business:

This being Larry Hart's last meeting as a Selectman since he is not seeking election at this Town Meeting, the Board thanked Larry for his service on the Board of Selectman, especially in his role of Chairman of the Board for the past year..

7. Review and Approve Warrants and Correspondence:

Warrant: April 2, 2013 - \$ 59,945.43

Selectman Galemme moved to accept the Warrant of April 2, 2013 for \$59,945.43. Selectman Danforth seconded the motion. Vote, 5-0 in favor.

8. Adjournment:

Selectman Galemmo moved to adjourn at 7:20 p.m., Selectman Drew seconded the motion.
Vote, 5-0 in favor.

Respectively Submitted:
Dwayne Morin, Town Manager

Original to Town Clerk

Chairman: Larry Hart

Selectman: Charles Galemmo

Selectman: Paul Danforth

Selectman: Elaine Folsom

Selectman: Gregg Drew