

North Berwick Board of Selectmen's Minutes: August 16, 2011

NORTH BERWICK BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES AUGUST 16, 2011

Present: Chairman Folsom, Selectman Danforth, Selectman MacDougall, Selectman, and Selectman Galemmo.

Also Present: Mark Cahoon, Todd Hoffman, Jack Murray, Jeanne Provencher and Dwayne Morin.

Chairman Folsom opened the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 6:35 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review and Approve Minutes of August 2, 2011

Selectman Galemmo moved to approve the Minutes of August 2, 2011, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0-1

3. Public Input:

Chairman Folsom opened Public Input at 6:37 p.m.

Planning Board Chairman Todd Hoffman and Planning Board Member Mark Cahoon met with the Board of Selectmen to discuss an Economic Development Committee for North Berwick.

Mark Cahoon asked the Board of Selectmen about the development of an Economic Development and a Conservation Committee that is in the Comprehensive Plan in order for the Planning Board to make decisions and provide us with input.

Todd Hoffman explained that we are looking at our responsibilities as a Planning Board at two areas: One the development of the downtown area and the other the protection of open space in Farm and Forest.

The Planning Board developed two committees:

Village Center: Barry Chase, Shaun DeWolf, Patrick Raftery and Mark Cahoon.

Farm and Forest: Julie Fernee, Rick Reynolds and Todd Hoffman.

Dwayne explained that the Comprehensive Plan says explore the creation of an Economic Development Committee. The Board of Selectmen would create a Board and appoint members who would want to serve on the Economic Development Committee and Conservation Committee.

Selectman Galemme explained I think that looking at the zoning and simplifying it that is a necessary first step before anything else, in my opinion. I think that as a first step for an Economic Development Committee that would be a good task for them to review zoning and to make recommendation.

Selectman Danforth asked to place the Planning Board on the next agenda to discuss details. Dwayne will provide the Board of Selectmen with information regarding Economic Development and Conservation Development to review.

Dwayne asked Mark Cahoon and Todd Hoffman if they would attend the September 6, 2011 Board of Selectmen's meeting to discuss creation and goals.

Chairman Folsom closed Public Input at 7:45 p.m.

4. Unfinished Business:

A. Roads: Update on Road Projects

Bauneg Beg and Fox Farm trenches need to be paved.

Prospect Street needs surface pavement.

Maple Street needs surface pavement.

Town Pizza's sidewalk needs surface pavement.

Chairman Folsom asked for a railing in the middle of the steps at Town Pizza.

The next project is Little River Road in early fall.

B. Summer Camp: Update

Dwayne updated the Board that the North Berwick's Summer Camp that closed on August 12, 2011. The Children at Summer Camp had a great summer. The Town has received positive comments from parents from the returned survey.

Selectman Glemmo moved to allow Kristie Michaud 40 hours comp time, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

C. 9-11 Remembrance: Update on Proposed Service

Dwayne discussed with the Board ideas for the 9-11 Remembrance Day Service that include cleaning up around the Community Center, the Library, roadside cleanup, and repainting of the Town's welcome sign posts.

D. Solar Panels: Continued Discussion on Installation of Solar Panels

Dwayne informed the Board that Solar Panel Company will visit North Berwick to look all Town buildings that would benefit from the Solar Panels.

I do not anticipate any problems with the Library (I met with the Library Trustees Chairman and Librarian and they are enthused with the program), Central Fire Station, Transfer Station, Highway/Rescue facility. I will keep the board informed as to progress

Reminders: Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting – Sept 6, 2011 - 6:30 pm Municipal building
Mill Field Festival – August 20, 2011 – Mill Field

5. New Business:

A. FY12 Commitment: Established Tax Rate and Commitment

Selectman Danforth moved to approve the 11.40 Tax Rate with a \$144,099.44 Overlay, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

Selectman Danforth moved to hold Town Meeting on March 31st, 2012, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

B. Fuel Fund: Review Fuel Fund for Ensuing Year

Selectman Glemmo moved to maintain status quo on the Fuel Fund, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

C. Liquor License: Johnson Seafood and Steak

Selectman Glemmo moved to approve Johnson Seafood and Steak liquor license, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

6. Other Business:

7. Executive Session: Poverty Abatement

Selectman Galemmo to go into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. to 8:35 p.m., Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

Selectman Danforth moved to approve poverty abatement number 3 for \$639.44, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

8. Review and Approve Warrants and Correspondence:

Warrant: August 9, 2011 - \$19,335.79

Warrant: August 16, 2011 - \$463,792.32

Selectman Galemmo moved to accept the Warrants of August 9, 2011 for \$19,335.79 and August 16, 2011 for \$463,792.32, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

9. Adjournment:

Selectman MacDougall moved to adjourn at 8:38 p.m., Selectman Galemmo seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

Respectively Submitted:
Anita Lambert, Stenographer

Original to Town Clerk

Chairman: Elaine Folsom

Selectman: Paul Danforth

Selectman: Jay MacDougall

Selectman: Charles Galemmo