North Berwick Board of Selectmen's Minutes: October 18, 2011

NORTH BERWICK BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OCTOBER 18, 2011

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

Also Present: Brian Gosselin and Dwayne Morin.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Hearing - 6:35 PM -GENERAL ASSISTANCE APPENDICES

Chairman Folsom opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.

Dwayne explained changes to the General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-C 2011-2012: The allotments went up by approximately nine dollars across the board. There are no other changes for the General Assistance Ordinance. The State sets the fees.

Chairman Folsom closed the Public Hearing at 6:37 p.m.

Selectman Galemmo moved to adopt the General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-C 2011-2012, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

Chairman Folsom opened the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 6:33 p.m.

3. Review and Approve Minutes of October 4, 2011

Selectman Galemmo moved to approve the Minutes of October 4, 2011 as written, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

3. Public Input:

4. Unfinished Business:

A. Roads: Update on Road Projects

The Town Crew is working on winter sand.

The Town Crew has mowed down the sides of the roads.

Morrells Mill and Little River Road will be striped week ending October 28, 2011.

Low bidder for Town loader repair is Mick Body Work.

B. Fireworks: Continued Discussion

Brian Gosselin discussed with the Board of Selectmen the Town of North Berwick Fireworks Ordinance which would help put a control on fireworks.

The biggest problem would be the 4th of July; it is a dry time of year for fireworks in certain areas in Town.

Dwayne explained that if the Board would want to move forward, I suggest a draft Fireworks Ordinance that the Town's Legal Counsel would review.

Selectman Danforth moved to submit the Town of North Berwick Fireworks Ordinance to Bill Plouffe for his review, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

C. Parks and Rec: Update on Event Process

Dwayne explained that the Parks and Recreation Commission have taken over the upcoming events until the Parks and Recreation Director returns in approximately three weeks.

The Parks and Recreation Commission have raised approximately \$700.00 along with donations and gift certificates for the Halloween event.

Reminders: Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting – Nov. 1, 2011 - 6:30 p.m. Municipal building Candidates Night – October 27, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. Community Center

5. New Business

A. Audit: Update on Audit Process

Dwayne explained that RHR Smith Audit went very well. The report should be completed the beginning of December. RHR Smith will be presenting the Audit to the Board of Selectmen on January 3, 2012.

B. Newsletter: Review Election Newsletter

Dwayne discussed with the Board of Selectmen in great length the content of the North Berwick's November Election Newsletter.

The North Berwick's November Election Newsletter was mailed to residents on October 17, 2011.

C. Water District: Rate Increase for Hydrant Rental (Public Fire Protection)

Dwayne explained that the Water District will be holding a Public Hearing on a rate increase in the hydrant rental on November 1, 2011 at the Community Center. The Town had budgeted for the rate increase in 2010.

D. Committee Appreciation Dinner: Discussion Regarding Available Dates

Selectman Galemmo moved to hold the Committee Appreciation Dinner on March 23, 2011, Selectmen Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

6. Other Business:

7. Executive Session: Personnel

Selectman Danforth moved to go into Executive Session from 7:42 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Selectman Galemmo seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

8. Review and Approve Warrants and Correspondence:

Warrant: Oct. 11, 2011 - \$11,496.73 Warrant: Oct. 18, 2011 - \$860,461.97

Selectman Galemmo moved to accept the Warrants of October 11, 2011 for \$11,496.73 and October 18, 2011 for \$860,461.97, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

9. Adjournment:

Selectman Danforth moved to adjourn at 8:00 p.m., Selectman Galemmo seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

Respectively Submitted: Anita Lambert, Stenographer

Original to Town Clerk

Chairman: Elaine Folsom

Selectman: Paul Danforth

Selectman: Jay MacDougall

Selectman: Charles Galemmo