

North Berwick Board of Selectmen's Minutes: May 5, 2009

NORTH BERWICK BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES MAY 5, 2009

Present: Chairman Folsom, Selectman Bourbon, Selectman MacDougall and Selectman Drew.

Absent: Selectman Danforth

Also Present: Michael Johnson Jr., Anne Whitten, Sharon Litvinchyk, Michael Johnson Sr., Carl Works, Kristie Michaud, Larry Straffin, Nancy Guptill, Jim Keohan, Obie Robbins, Frank Hall, Kenneth Dutch, Glen Johnson, Dave Peterson, Donna Decato, Jack Keohan, Paul Rollins, Royal Cloyd, Erine Houle, Jeff Holshouser, Travis Rice, Lincoln Harrison, Karen Saracina, Betty Hall, Daniel Hickey, Rebekah Yonan, Dale A. Clock, Amelia Small, Tim Small, Dianna Cole, Julie Alexander, Todd Hoffman, Matthew Pomerleau and Dwayne Morin.

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review and Approve Minutes of April 21, 2009 & April 28, 2009

Selectman Drew moved to accept the Minutes of April 28, 2009 as corrected, Selectman Bourbon seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

Selectman Bourbon moved to accept the Minutes of April 21, 2009 as corrected, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 3-1-1

3. Public Input: No Public Input

4. Unfinished Business:

A Dispatch: Discussion on Dispatch Services

Dwayne updated the Board on the agreement between the Town of Sanford and the Town of North Berwick.

The Fire Department and the Rescue Department dispatch has been accomplished

The Town is still waiting for the PUC to provide the town with PSAP hearing date.

IMC has will honor their verbal agreement.

The shed to house the equipment will be delivered by Sheds USA on May 6, 2009.

B. Ice Storm: Tree Debris Clean Up

Dwayne updated the Board on the Ice Storm tree debris clean up.

A newsletter will be sent out to the citizen informing them when to place brush from the ice storm on road sides.

C. Me. Community Foundation: Review Project Ideas for Grant Submission

Dwayne updated the Board on the proposed projects for grant review to date.

- Elroy Day Memorial Garden
- the sidewalk and lights in the Mill Field
- the trail at the Community Center

Reminders: Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting – May 19, 2009-6:30 p.m. Municipal Building

5. New Business:

A. Mill Field Committee: (moved) Discussion on 2009 Mill Field Festival

Selectman Bourbon spoke that he would be willing to make motion to retain the Mill Field Festival in the Mill Field and work out construction issues, when that occurs. This was the voice of the people at town meeting

Dwayne discussed the plan for Canal Street is to start construction by mid-June and the majority of the road completed by the start of August. There may be some conflict regarding the festival which will be planned around, if the Board decides to hold the festival in this location.

Betty Hall spoke that she is very appreciative of the Board's effort in helping us have the festival at the Mill Field. It is called the Mill Field Festival and should be held at the Mill Field.

Mill Field Festival Chairman Kristie Michaud spoke that we will set up the festival where ever the Board decides.

Selectmen Bourbon spoke that it was certainly the voice of the people at town meeting that the people of the town want the festival in the Mill Field., and by goodness it will happen at the Mill Field.

Selectman Bourbon moved to have the 2009 Mill Field Festival in the Mill Field, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

B. Farmer's Market: (moved) Discussion on the proposed North Berwick Farmer's Market

Rebekah Yonan updated the Board of Selectmen on the progress on the upcoming Farmer's Market.

North Berwick's Farmers Market will be held at the Municipal Building stating Friday June 12th, 2009 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Selectman Drew moved to enter to a lease agreement with the Farmer's Market Association for a Farmer's Market on Fridays from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; from June 12 through the end of November, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

C. Cemetery Trustees: (moved) Discussion on the proposed Easement for Crematorium

Dwayne discussed with the Board that Mike Johnson, Jr. is creating a non profit corporation called the Great Works Crematory.

Mike Johnson, Jr. would like an easement for a 1.9 acre lot on the Hillside Cemetery property off of Staples Drive for the proposed Crematory.

Under State Law in order for a Crematory to be established in the State Maine it must be placed on a cemetery that has at least 20 acres in size and is active.

Michael Johnson, Jr. presented to the Cemetery Trustees a proposal to locate a crematory on the Hillside Cemetery Property. The Cemetery Trustees are interested in pursuing the proposed crematory.

In order for the proposed crematory to move forward the Board of Selectmen would need to give their approval for the easement. A Town Meeting would then be held to grant an easement from the Hillside Cemetery property off of Staples Drive. Approval from the Planning Board would also be needed under the Town Zoning Ordinance for the crematory use.

Dale Clock spoke that when Mike Johnson, Jr. brought the proposal before the Cemetery Trustees the vote was unanimous with one abstention.

The Board asked that Dwayne send the lease agreement to the Town Attorney for review.

D. Board Application: Planning Board

Christopher Karcher has applied to become a Planning Board member.

Christopher Karcher will be invited to meet with the Board at the May 19, 2009 meeting.

E. Mass Gathering Application: Porter/Kearns Wedding and Farmers Market

Selectman MacDougall moved to approve the mass gathering permit for the Porter/Kerns wedding for June 27, 2009, Selectman Drew seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

Selectman Bourbon moved to approve the Farmers Market gathering permit to begin on June 12, 2009 and hours of operation are 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Selectman Drew seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

6. Other Business:

Dwayne discussed with the Board transfer station stickers for the citizens of North Berwick with license plate numbers on the stickers instead of pre-printed numbers. This will allow the town to better track Transfer Station stickers.

7. Executive Session – 1 MRSA 405(6)(A) Personnel

Selectman Bourbon moved to go into Executive Session - 1 MRSA 405(6)(A) Personnel at 9:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m., Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

8. Review and Approve Warrants and Correspondence:

Warrant: April 28, 2009 - \$10,764.36

Warrant: May 5, 2009 - \$45,974.10

Selectman Bourbon moved to accept the Warrants of April 28, 2009 for \$10,764.36 and May 5, 2009 for \$45,974.10, Selectman Drew seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

9. Adjournment:

Selectman MacDougall moved to adjourn at 9:15 p.m., Selectman Drew seconded a motion.
Vote, 4-0

Respectively Submitted:
Anita Lambert, Stenographer

Original to Town Clerk

Chairman: Elaine Folsom

Selectman: Paul Danforth

Selectman: Anthony Bourbon

Selectman: Gregg Drew

Selectman: Jay MacDougall