

**North Berwick Board of Selectmen's Minutes: December 15, 2009**

**NORTH BERWICK BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES DECEMBER 15, 2009**

**Present:** Chairman Drew, Selectman Danforth, Selectman MacDougall and Selectman Drew.

**Absent:** Selectman Folsom and Selectman Bourbon.

**Also Present:** Brenda Moore, Brian Gosselin, Jim Moore, Dave Dutch, Thomas Cashell, Jeff Fournier, Amber Fournier and Dwayne Morin.

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

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Review and Approve Minutes of September 15, 2009 & December 1, 2009**

Tabled: September 15, 2009 Minutes

Selectman Danforth moved to accept the Minutes of December 1, 2009 as amended, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

**3. Public Input:** No Public Input

**4. Unfinished Business:**

**A. Roads and Maine Community Foundation Grant:** Update

Dwayne updated the Board of Selectman on the Community Foundation Grant.

Holophane will pay for the cost of the light photo sensor for the light pole due to order error.

The arms to hold the light fixtures on the pole will arrive on December 16, 2009.

The light fixtures for the Mill Field will arrive the week of December 21, 2009.

The beginning of January CMP will place in the new light poles.

The budget for the projects on the Garden Island and the Mill Field are doing well.

The sewage problem has been taken care of at the Transfer Station.

#### **B. Budget Committee: (moved) Interview Thomas Cashell**

Tom Cashell explained to the Board that he is from Massachusetts and lived in Wells for several years before becoming a resident in North Berwick. He has a daughter at the Elementary School and his other daughter will be attending school next year.

Mr. Cashell spoke that the longer my wife and I are here we want to become more involved. I'm the assistant coach for Tee Ball and Soccer and have prepared pancakes for the Santa breakfast. I went on the Town's Web site and saw a volunteer position for the Budget Committee. I have no experience but I do have a Business Degree and a minor in accounting. I work at Southern Maine Medical in the inventory department. If the Town needs the help I'm more than willing to serve.

Selectman MacDougall moved to appoint Tom Cashell for the remainder of this budget season, Selectmen Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

#### **C. Budget FY11: Discuss Budget**

Dwayne explained that there have been significant savings as it relates to energy. The electrical cost is down by 23%, the Transfer Station cost is estimated to be down by 17% and Dispatch cost is also down this year.

The Town will be creating a responsible budget.

**Reminders:** Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting – Jan. 5, 2010 - 6:30 pm Municipal Building

### **5. New Business:**

#### **A. Library Trustees: (moved) Discuss FY11 Budget Submission**

David Dutch explained that the Library is doing well. The patrons are up, the library cards are up, circulation is up and the use of the computers is taxing. The library is a real live viable place and we are doing our best to keep it running. The Board has 12 members: David Dutch, Jeff Fournier, Amber Fournier, Stacy Bradburn, Margaret Allaire, Deb Jalbert, Kathy Paradis, Nancy Cotty, Mary Muthig, Virginia Reusch, Alice Purington, Martha Roberts and Steve Purington. The Board

members are committed to the expansion of the library. We want to expand to meet our programs to have the children out of the basement and to restore the front room to be used for lectures, concert and children's movies and related events.

The Library Board temporary budget thus far is the oil is locked in at \$3.00 a gallon, we paid for outside help for taxes and for maintenance. The other item was that our boiler goes back to 1984 and it is on its way out. If the boiler goes out tomorrow what do we do about it and the issue of if we expand were going to need to replace it anyway. We have an architect that has been working with us and tailor a reasonable budget for these times.

The Mechanical Systems Engineers that has been recommended by the architect has worked up the figures and the square footage for the present and the additional space. The removal of the existing oil tank and boiler, new pumps, new PVC vents (chimney) and PVC combustion air, reconnect electrical wiring and piping and new hot water heater. The estimated cost \$16,000.00.

Dwayne suggested quotes from different installers for the heating system at the library.

Dwayne advised that when the library prepares the budget and presents the budget that they do so under two budget items: operation budget and capital.

**B. Fire Department: (moved)** Discuss Need for Additional Hose, Appointment of Firefighter Roy

Dwayne explained that the Fire Department is in need of replacing 1200 feet of fire hose.

Chief Jim Moore asked to explore putting hose bed covers on the three engines due to liability issues.

Selectman Danforth moved to authorize Dwayne Morin and Jim Moore to expend \$4,512.00 on the length of hose that they need and take it from the Emergency Equipment Fund, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

Selectman Danforth moved to approve Brian Roy to be a fire fighter, Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

**6. Other Business:**

Dwayne discussed with the Board Town Report Cover and dedications.

**7. Review and Approve Warrants and Correspondence:**

Warrant: December 8, 2009 - \$11,333.61

Warrant: December 15, 2009 - \$550,783.60

Selectman Danforth moved to accept the Warrants of December 8, 2009 for \$11,333.61 and December 15, 2009 for \$550,783.60, MacDougall Selectman seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

**8. Executive Session: Personnel 1 MRSA 405(6)(E)**

Selectman Danforth moved to go into Executive Session at 8:20 to 8:45 p.m., Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

**9. Adjournment:**

Selectman Danforth moved to adjourn at 8:45 p.m., Selectman MacDougall seconded a motion. Vote, 3-0

Respectively Submitted:  
Anita Lambert, Stenographer

Original to Town Clerk

Chairman: Gregg Drew

Selectman: Paul Danforth

Selectman: Anthony Bourbon

Selectman: Elaine Folsom

Selectman: Jay MacDougall