

North Berwick Board of Selectmen's Minutes: August 19, 2008

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Present: Chairman Danforth, Selectman Whitten, Selectman Folsom, Selectman Bourbon and Selectman Drew.

Also Present: Steven Vincent (Fire Department), Jason Langelier (Fire Department), Richard Reynolds (Comprehensive Plan Committee), Ann Stevenson (Comprehensive Plan Committee), Cheryl Hoffman (Comprehensive Plan Committee).

Selectman Bourbon arrived at 8:55 p.m.

Chairman Danforth opened the Board of Selectmen Meeting at 6:35 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review and Approve the Minutes of July 29, 2008

Selectman Drew moved to accept the minutes of July 29, 2008 as amended, Selectman Folsom seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

3. Public Input

The was no Public Input

4. Unfinished Business:

A. Roads: Update on Progress, Asphalt Prices

Beech Ridge Road is done and has been paved; the shoulders were installed on August 18th. Valley Road has been paved. Stumping will begin August 25th on Linscott Road. Pike Inc. will give us a time when they can reclaim the Linscott Road and add the speed hump on Madison Street. Dwayne will be meeting with the State on what were going to do with Canal Street.

Pike Inc. came to the Town to ask if we would reconsider the paving contract. Dwayne informed Pike Inc. that he would bring it to the Board.

Selectman Whitten moved to deny Pike Inc. additional funds for our paving, Selectman Drew seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

B. Comprehensive Plan: (moved) Review Policies and Implementation Strategies w/Committee

The Comprehensive Committee came to the meeting to review the changes recommended by the Board of Selectmen. The Comprehensive Members were in agreement with the changes to the Comprehensive Plan.

The Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan September 2, 2008- 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

C. Public Works: Update on Replacement of Diesel Tank

The Town is still waiting for the Permit from the Fire Marshall to replace the Diesel Tank.

D. Cemetery Trustee: Michael Johnson Sr. Application

The Board of Selectmen asked that Michael Johnson Sr. be invited to the September 2nd meeting.

E. Mack Truck: (moved) William Hill Firefighters Association Presentation

Steven Vincent stated that the Association met on August 2nd and they are in favor of putting the addition on the sub-station at an estimated cost is \$25,000.00. There is a question of the integrity of the roof. The Association likes the idea of tying the two roofs together. There is no time line on when this will be done.

Dwayne explained that originally we were going to just replace the screws. After closer inspection of the roof, it appears it needs to be replaced. The budget was just for the screws, now it is going to cost substantially more than what we appropriated.

Chairman Danforth asked why the whole roof needed to be replaced.

Dwayne answered that the work was all done by volunteer labor. And it was done right in the beginning when metal roofing was starting to come out. When screwing down a metal roof, you screw it down every third rib and every 18 inches, they screwed it every rib and every 12 inches. Back then they didn't have clutches on the drills, and the drills compressed the rubber washers and the water got in behind the rubber washer and when down to the screw and rotted the plywood.

What we know is that at least the edge pieces of plywood are rotted, we don't know how far the rotting goes up. If we were to just remove the metal roofing and fix the plywood and put the metal roofing back on the holes are still throughout the metal roofing. On some sections of the roof they ran black tar paper underneath that will hold moisture.

Steven Vincent asked if shingles or metal roofing would be used on the new roof. Dwayne replied that we haven't even talked about that. This year we do not have the funds.

Dwayne will get cost on replacing the roof at the substation on Morrill Mills Road.

Steven Vincent informed the Board that the Association asked the Sentinel to run an article about the Mack Truck, to see if someone would have storage available until a new space could be built to house the Mack Truck.

F. Appreciation Dinner: Discussion

Selectman Drew updated the Board on the Volunteers Appreciation Dinner.

Reminders: Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting-September 2, 2008 - 6:30 pm Municipal Building
Public Hearing- September 9, 2008-6:30 pm Community Center
Area Selectmen's Meeting – September 11, 2008 – 6:00 pm South Berwick

5. New Business:

A. Commitment FY09: Preview of Tax Rate and Commitment

Dwayne and the Board of Selectmen discussed the Tax Rate and Commitment for FY09.

Selectman Bourbon moved to set the Tax Rate at 10.9%, Selectman Drew seconded a motion.
Vote, 4-1

B. Mass Gathering: Permits: Reynolds and Koelker

Selectman Folsom moved to approve the Reynolds Mass Gathering and the Koelker Mass Gathering, Selectman Drew seconded a motion. Vote, 4-0

C. November Election: Closing of Town Office

Dwayne discussed with the Board that the November Election is expected to be very demanding and the staff in the Town Office will be needed.

Selectman Drew moved to close the Town Office on November 4th, Selectman Whitten seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

6. Other Business:

Dwayne discussed with the Board the fuel prices are varying right now and he is trying to lock in at a best fuel price for the Town.

Selectman Drew moved to allow Dwayne to look for the best fuel prices, Selectmen Folsom seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

Dwayne will set up a meeting with Pratt & Whitney.

7. Review and Approve Warrants and Correspondence:

Warrant: July 29, 2008 - \$35,378.51 \$125.00

Warrant: August 5, 2008 - \$10,313.80

Warrant: August 12, 2008 - \$17,492.16

Warrant: August 19, 2008 - \$488,075.33

Selectman Drew moved to accept the Warrants of July 29, 2008 for \$35,378.51 & \$125.00, August 5, 2008 - \$10,313.80, August 12, 2008 - \$17,492.16 and August 19, 2008 - \$488,075.33. Selectman Bourbon seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

8. Adjournment:

Selectman Folsom moved to adjourn at 9:46 p.m., Selectman Whitten seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

Respectively Submitted:
Anita Lambert, Stenographer

Original to Town Clerk

Chairman: Paul Danforth

Selectman: Anne Whitten

Selectman: Anthony Bourbon

Selectman: Elaine Folsom

Selectman: Gregg Drew

