



*Town of Plaistow ♦ Board of Selectmen*  
*145 Main Street ♦ Plaistow ♦ NH ♦ 03865*

**PLAISTOW BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES:**

**DATE:** February 29, 2016

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:31 PM by J. Sherman Vice Chairman and Cub Scout James Nicholas Deroche.

The Pledge of Allegiance is led by Cub Scout Owen Lee.

**SELECTMEN:**

Selectman, Steve Ranlett, Chairman-Excused	Selectman, John Sherman Vice Chairman
Selectman, Joyce Ingerson	Selectman, Tammy Bergeron
Selectman, Julian Kiszka	Town Manager, Sean Fitzgerald

**AGENDA**

**MINUTES**

*T. Bergeron motions to approve the minutes of 02-22-16. Second by J. Kiszka*

*Vote: 3-0-1.*

*Motion passes.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**CUB SCOUTS**

S. Fitzgerald begins by stating he gave the Scouts a tour of Town Hall. It helped them learn some Town History and some facts about Town Government.

Owen Lee's favorite part was viewing the old pictures. James Deroche liked the basement and the old jail cells. Nick Guide enjoyed the old stories and legends. His favorite was the one about the man who froze in a tree. S. Fitzgerald tells the legend and states this is how Brandy Brow Road got its name. S. Fitzgerald also mentions that Plaistow is distinguished because we had a Medal of Honor recipient from town. Plaistow had a brick industry years ago and many of the bricks made here were used in Town buildings. S. Fitzgerald commends the Scouts as instrumental citizens of Plaistow. They have worked hard on the Town Forest, Parks and environmental issues. Plaistow has more Eagle Scouts per capita than any other New Hampshire town. T. Bergeron calls out each Scouts name and presents each with a citation. S. Sherman calls for a break in the meeting for picture opportunities at 6:42.

The meeting is called back to order at 6:46

## **DAVE HANSBURY**

J. Sherman reads page 5 from the 2015 Annual Town Report. This page is a tribute to John E. “Jack” Hansbury, one of Plaistow’s most exemplary citizens. It highlights many of Jack’s qualities and the wonderful work he did for the Town. Jack’s son Dave is present. He thanks the Town for bestowing this honor on his father and he knows his father would be both surprised and humbled by the tribute. Dave knows his father enjoyed living in and contributing to the Town of Plaistow. S. Fitzgerald states he is truly sorry for the Hansbury Family’s loss. This tribute is a reminder of how much the Town respects and appreciates the family’s dedication to Plaistow.

## **TOWN MEETING ELECTIONS - MARYELLEN PELLETIER**

M. Pelletier would like to remind all residents that Town Meeting for voting is next Tuesday March 8<sup>th</sup> at Pollard School on Main Street from 7 am to 8 pm. She mentions tomorrow morning the ballot boxes will be tested and on Wednesday morning the ballots will be checked to make sure all the pages are intact and correctly numbered. There was a minor issue at the Primary Election with write in ballots but the ballot box company has corrected it.

## **TOWN REPORT DEDICATION**

C. Vinton, Library Director is present to acknowledge that Cathy Willis, a long time resident and Library Trustee was chosen for the 2015 Town Report dedication. He notes she was not able to attend tonight though has been notified that the Town report was dedicated to her.

C. Vinton mentions that C. Willis has a tremendous amount of knowledge about library issues, laws and management. Her dedication to the Library and Town is steadfast yet she is humble and prefers to stay out of the spotlight.

S. Fitzgerald reinforces C. Willis’s contributions to both the Town and Library. She is very deserving of this honor.

J. Sherman notes he is pleased to dedicate the Town Report to her.

J. Ingerson also states that she and Kevin appreciate all that she has done for the Library and Town of Plaistow.

## **TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT**

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Cub Scouts

Public Safety Complex Open Houses

Senator Kelly Ayotte

Atkinson Dispatch Contract- Recommends a future meeting with the Atkinson Selectman to discuss regional collaboration.

Highway Safety Grant

Assessing Abatements

EPA response on the Thermal Extraction System Removal

Right to Know Requests- Recommends number of hours of admin preparation be put on request

American Legion Oratorical Contest

LED Street Lights

2016 Values Anew and Cycled Inspections

Meals on Wheels - 14<sup>th</sup> Annual March for Meals

Capt Stevens last day as fulltime Plaistow Firefighter  
Computers at Library- Donations made to Library  
Town Hall Lock System  
Presidential Election Year  
Veterans Program at the Library  
Fire Suppression System  
Open Fire Position  
Regional BOS Meeting, tentative date April 14<sup>th</sup>  
Hale Spring Pump House/Deed

### **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION/RIGHT TO KNOW**

A template of a request for information form is discussed. Suggestions should be sent to the Town Manager. This will be revisited at a future meeting when the full board is present and all suggestions will be considered at that time.

### **ACTION ITEM REVIEW**

Reviewed

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **SIGNATURE FOLDER**

J. Sherman states the signature folder and manifest are going around.

### **SELECTMENS REPORTS**

J. Kiszka

- Wishes his comrades who are traveling overseas safe travels.

J. Sherman

- Hands out information about the CIP for the Cable Department.
- Discusses the tax assessment of 174 Main Street and explains why the taxes increased over the last two years.
- Discusses the Budget presentation that will be played on Channel 17.
- Mentions the “Water’s Worth It” seminar to be held on March 23.
- Roy Jeffrey says “hello to everyone”.

T. Bergeron

- Attended the Wake of Kathy Marino. She was the 1<sup>st</sup> female police officer in Newton, was Acting Chief twice, and a valuable member of Family Mediation. She will be greatly missed.
- Speaks of Shem Kellogg’s illness.

J. Ingerson- Nothing to report

Meeting Adjourned at 8:07 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Hamel  
Recording Secretary