

**Town of Plaistow & Board of Selectmen** 145 Main Street **\*** Plaistow **\*** NH **\***03865

## PLAISTOW BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES:

DATE: June 23, 2014

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:34 PM**

#### **SELECTMEN:**

Chairman, Daniel Poliquin Selectman, Michelle Curran Selectman, Steve Ranlett Vice Chairman, John Sherman - excused Selectman, Joyce Ingerson Town Manager, Sean Fitzgerald

AGENDA:

**MINUTES:** 

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

# PLAISTOW POLICE FIREARM TRADE IN - LT. WILLIAM BALDWIN

S. Fitzgerald states that he has spoken with Chief Savage regarding this firearm trade in and that this is the best way to replace these items.

Lt. Baldwin states that the need for this project became clear when the shotguns being used began falling apart. It is difficult to repair them in a timely manner due to the parts needing to be ordered. The current firearms are physically large which are cumbersome and difficult for some officers to use effectively. The newer items are smaller and better equipped. They will better suit all officers using them.

They can also be used for "less lethal" which is an option the Police Department has. Tonight we are looking for permission to trade in the old shotguns (7) in all, for (8) new ones. The funding is there and trading in the old firearms reduces the overall cost. Each officer will be trained on these new weapons.

D. Poliquin inquires if the vendor is willing to take the firearms in their current condition.

Lt. Baldwin states that they are. We are working with the distributor that supplies the other vendors we had requested quotes.

S. Ranlett inquires of the cost.

Lt. Baldwin produces the purchase order for consideration.

D. Poliquin states that the money is coming from the asset forfeiture funds.

M. Curran states that the credit doesn't seem very large for the older shotguns and inquires if the current order for parts for the older shotguns can be cancelled.

Lt. Baldwin responds that the condition is the issue regarding the credit and the parts order can be cancelled.

Discussion occurs.

Motion by S. Ranlett to follow the recommendation of the Police Chief and authorize the trading in of the Town's 7 old shotguns to Interstate Arms and purchasing 8 new shotguns from Interstate Arms through the Town's asset forfeiture account."  $2^{nd}$  J. Ingerson Vote:4-0-0 Motion carries:

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION LAND PURCHASE – JILL SENTER**

J. Senter hands out the Tax card and Map of the property that will be discussed. She continues that Conservation Commission has voted in favor of purchasing a piece of land that would be added to the Town Forest. Map 8 Lot 26 the parcel is available and the owner has agreed to sell it to us. This was recommended by Plaistow First Committee. A vote of the Board of Selectmen is required for the Conservation Commission to move forward for \$11,700.00 which is the assessed value in Hampstead. Hampstead worked to move this project forward with the property owner. I would like to propose a Public Hearing on July 17<sup>th</sup> so that the Conservation Commission can use funds that would purchase this land.

S. Fitzgerald states under 36A the Conservation Commission would be able to purchase this property but doing so prior to due diligence and before spending any amounts of money toward this end, the Board of Selectmen must give consensus.

D. Poliquin inquires of the purchase price and roll up costs.

J. Senter states the closing costs and attorney fees are unknown at this time.

Tim Lovell, Chair of the Conservation Commission with the Township of Hampstead, states that due to negotiations with the seller Hampstead and Plaistow are benefiting from the sale of this property to the towns. Hampstead is paying the additional fees to move the project forward. It is an attractive piece of property that abuts the wetlands that Plaistow owns. An attractive rock walls crisscross the property that was once it farm land in the same family for 4 generations spanning 100 years. It is very clean and beautiful.

S. Fitzgerald states that he and M. Dorman has walked the property, inspected a well that is located on the property. I would like Attorney Kalman to review the deed of the property. It is a great opportunity for us.

J. Ingerson states that the Conservation Committee members are all very excited about this and everyone is for it.

M. Curran states it can only benefit us as a Town.

S. Fitzgerald requests consensus of the board to move forward. We will schedule and post it for a public hearing on July 17, 2014.

Discussion occurs.

T. Lovell states Hampstead is paying an additional \$5,500.00 toward the cost of the parcel to move this forward to Plaistow's Conservation Commission and add it to the Town Forest.

Further discussion occurs.

D. Poliquin states that we can have consensus to move this forward without voting.

Consensus of the board is to move forward with the Public Hearing, to have the title search done and have Attorney Kalman estimate the closing figures.

J. Senter states that they will return on July 14, 2014 and will have all of the requested information so that the vote can occur.

S. Fitzgerald states the Conservation Commission can meet and vote to purchase. Then the Selectmen can vote to expend the money.

M. Curran states we are talking about 3 acres of picturesque farmland for \$11,500.00.

J. Senter states that she also wanted to mention that the Rockingham Planning Commission gave her an award for the Planning and Conservation of our Natural Resources. She continues that she could not have done all of the work associated with the Conservation Commission without the support of the Selectmen. Rockingham Planning recognizes what this Town is doing.

D. Poliquin states the Board of Selectmen may say yay or nay, but you, J. Senter do all of the legwork along with the other members of the Conservation Commission. You deserve the award.

## <u>FY 2014 ROADWAY RESURFACING CONTINENTAL PAVING, INC. – DAN</u> <u>GARLINGTON</u>

D. Garlington states he would like to extend Continental Paving's Contract from last year to this year. Based on the cost of liquid asphalt. It is a  $\pm$  6.2 % for liquid asphalt, it is generally regulated by the NH DOT, that portion of the mix will generally be the same. Last year cost per ton \$340.00 based on liquid asphalt.

M. Curran states that it is the variable in the cost of paving, labor and other factors are generally the same but the cost of liquid asphalt changes.

D. Garlington states that if Continental is doing a project on 125 and we ask for a paving project on Rose Ave. the price is fixed based on the cost of liquid asphalt. Generally most towns contract for 3 years and then they go out to bid again.

S. Ranlett inquires when was the last time we went out to bid.

D. Garlington states last year. I have always put it out to bid, this year we are going to try to stay with Continental since they are offering last year's pricing.

S. Ranlett states that next year we should get a comparison.

D. Garlington states that to that subject, one of the tires on the front end loader has a major slice in it. Unfortunately replacement of these types of tires requires that they all be replaced at the same time. The YMCA is interested in them.

Motion by S. Ranlettt to follow the recommendation of the Highway Supervisor and surplus the old tires. 2<sup>nd</sup> M. Curran Vote: 4-0-0 Motion carries

Motion by S. Ranlett to follow the Highway Supervisor to direct the Town Manager to extend the contract with Continental Paving for 1 year. 2<sup>nd</sup> J. Ingerson Vote: 4-0-0 Motion carries

S. Fitzgerald states that D. Garlington is also available to speak to the Board regarding the No Thru Trucking. The weight limit used to be 26,001 pounds.

J. Ingerson states she is voting no to re route the trucks. The activity and sound is getting worse.

D. Poliquin states that "No Thru Trucking" of old South Main Street coming north will require a conversation with Haverhill and give truckers notice before they get there. The weight limit is the CDL requirement. The GBW of my vehicles is over the limit that we are putting in place.

D. Garlington states that the consensus many years ago was to eliminate the landscapers.

S. Ranlett states that he saw 3 tractor trailers that went by on Forrest Street when he was there last week. The tractor trailers are the focus of his elimination, not the landscapers.

D. Garlington states that when they talked about 12,000 pounds they were talking about the roads they were using to cut through.

D. Poliquin states it is commercial vehicles trying to make up time. We are receiving complaints from residents. This is for commercial vehicles.

S. Ranlett states he would like a copy of the minutes from the Highway Safety Committee meetings and to put this on the Agenda in the future.

S. Fitzgerald suggests the Highway Safety Committee come to the Board meeting.

M. Curran suggests a representative from the committee not all of the members, and enforcement is the larger problem.

# **BOARD OF SELECTMEN GOAL REVIEW – SEAN FITZGERALD**

D. Poliquin states that we can have a brief review of the goals.

J. Ingerson states she would prefer to wait for J. Sherman.

M. Curran states this has been postponed for a long time and there is no guarantee when the review will occur.

S. Fitzgerald states that it is helpful to have a full board or a separate meeting.

D. Poliquin inquires if there is anything anyone would like to bring forward as an additional goal.

Discussion occurs.

S. Ranlett states that on July 14<sup>th</sup> the goals will be addressed with or without a full board.

Consensus of the Board to defer until July 14, 2014 for the goal review.

# TOWN MANAGER REPORT – SEAN FITZGERALD

S. Fitzgerald states that:

- Received a Cell Tower Notice to Terminate the Agreement effective 10/3/14, a loss of approximately \$16,000.00 annually.
- Public Safety Complex Committee discussions with Don Walter for a notice to proceed.
- NH DOT Service Road design plans.
- Pump and Pump House RFP's received, interview process will follow.
- David Nye Memorial Sign fund raising efforts and potential utilization of Rec. Impact Fees.
  Discussion occurs regarding using Impact Fees for this purpose.
- Testa Property potential investor delayed.
- Summer Concert Series Line Up.
- Street Sweeping is completed.
- J. Ingerson states that the catch basins need to be cleaned out.
- Dog License Deadline was June 20th.
- Safe Routes to School, 5 firms have submitted proposals.
  - M. Curran states that when the information was submitted for SRTS, inquiring when will we see what the proposals are offering.
  - S. Fitzgerald states that they will come before the Board to review the proposals.
    \$250,000.00 grant along with the Boards pledge of an additional \$100,000.00.
- Public Safety Complex apron reconstruction is in process.
- Annual Municipal Manager's Conference last week.
- Letter to US Senator Ayotte condolences.
- New Hampshire Boys State.
- Old Home Day Success.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

D. Poliquin states that he congratulates everyone involved in Old Home Day.

J. Ingerson states that at the end of Kingston Road before you turn left onto 125. She inquires whether Kingston is encroaching on Plaistow's land clear cutting.

S. Ranlett states it could be Landscapers Depot. The Planning Board will be discussing Kennels and the permitting of them.

J. Ingerson states there is a 5 dog limit.

S. Ranlett continues stating that M. Dorman looked into it. This should be referred to the Planning Board. It is a home occupation. They need a site plan for consideration of neighbors.

S. Fitzgerald states we should get a legal opinion on that.

M. Curran states she wants a follow up on the 14<sup>th</sup> for that issue.

D. Poliquin states there is still some clean up that needs to take place from Old Home Day. aka Sawdust, a sign regarding the Train and general debris. Handicap parking at the fireworks display seemed to have poor planning.

#### SIGNATURE FOLDER

D. Poliquin notes that the signature folder is going around.

#### SELECTMENS REPORTS

S. Ranlett:

- Missed last Planning Board Meeting
- Missed last Historical Society Meeting
- Old Home Day Committee Meeting upcoming to review this past year's events.
  - Online Flyer was great; they were not passed out and posted around town.
  - Vendors allocated to the sidewalk side didn't receive the foot traffic as the other vendors.
  - Some handicap persons had difficulty negotiating the grass areas.
  - The date change caused difficulty for some.
  - Shout out to Ronny, who watches the BOS meeting every week.
- J. Ingerson:
  - Conservation Commission Meeting.
  - Attended and participated in the Parade.
  - Congratulations to Sue Sherman for being the Grand Marshall.
  - The Lions Club did a great job.
  - Cable Committee meeting was cancelled last week.

D. Poliquin:

- Highway Safety Committee meeting regarding North Ave., No Thru Trucking, Reconfiguration of Palmer Ave. and Elm Street.
- REDC meeting last week was missed.
- HAZMAT district meeting tomorrow.

M. Curran:

• Reminded that she can attend the Planning Board as the Alternate.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO NONPUBLIC SESSION BY: S Ranlett under RSA 9-A:311 (a) Personnel, (c) Reputation, (d) Negotiations, (e)Legal 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Curran Board Polled: D. Poliquin = yes, M. Curran = yes, J. Ingerson = yes, S. Ranlett = yes.

Public meeting adjourned 8:23 pm

Respectfully Submitted Kerry Lee Noel