



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

**PLAISTOW BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES:**

**DATE:** May 04, 2015

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:30 PM

**SELECTMEN:**

Selectman, Steve Ranlett, Chairman  
Selectman, Joyce Ingerson  
Selectman, Julian Kiszka

John Sherman Vice Chairman,  
Selectman, Tammy Bergeron  
Town Manager, Sean Fitzgerald

**AGENDA:**

**MINUTES:**

*J. Ingerson asks that her comments and suggestions be captured in the minutes. On Page 2 insert the question to J. Senter regarding the risks involved in the investment firms and her response.*

*Deferred to next week*

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Kimberly J. Raymond, 7 Linwood Street, she asks that her address be corrected in prior minutes for the record. She comes before the Board to follow up on the letter she had sent S. Fitzgerald about a number of things. She thanks M. Curran for the request to get the documents for her the night she was here. She states that some of the responses were inaccurate.

S. Ranlett notes that Public Comment is for comments that generally take 5-10 minutes. If she needs more time than she can request to be added to a future agenda.

She states there are just a few things. She states that She and S. Fitzgerald did not meet other than her speaking with him at a different meeting and she did not ask for a legal opinion though she received one. The information she requested was regarding the audit resulting from the theft of Town funds and the Citizens Petition relating to the commuter rail.

Discussion ensues regarding the Citizens Petition in relation to binding the Board of Selectman and all other elected and hired officials in stopping the layover station in Plaistow.

K. Raymond reads a citation that states “ In New England Town Meetings, the voters are the sovereigns and their will when duly expressed is supreme. Citizens have the right to supersede and direct the action of the Selectman.

She states that she does not know that the commuter rail issue is over.

J. Sherman states that a letter has been sent with the exact wording requested to the people requested.

She asks if the states and revisit the commuter rail again.

J. Sherman states that he is almost certain the state will not revisit the issue again.

K. Raymond states point is that citizens can bind Selectman on certain issues.

J. Sherman notes that the commuter rail project has been cancelled.

K. Raymond states there are other projects moving forward in the town.

S. Ranlett stops discussion and request this be put on a future agenda.

J. Sherman requests to know the items to be discussed.

K. Raymond's responds it will be S. Fitzgerald response to her requests and issues dealt with a few meeting ago. She has requested documents regarding audits and it took several months. Responses in the document she claims are inaccurate and for clarifying about moving forward whatever issue it is, it is important to know what citizen's authority is, what selectman's authority is and some of the responses in here.

S. Ranlett suggests K. Raymond contact G. Hamel to set a date on a future agenda.

### **JILL SENTER ARBOR DAY UPDATE**

The winners of the Arbor Day poem and poster contests are announced.

S. Ranlett begins with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Poem contest winners:

4<sup>th</sup> place winner- Lauren Hayes

3<sup>rd</sup> place winner- Kendall Morrill

2<sup>nd</sup> place winner- Lexi Wagnitz

1<sup>st</sup> place winner- Akella Brianna Mysliwy

J. Senter present Akella with a t-shirt for her first place poem and thanks her for poem.

### **Poster Contest winners:**

1<sup>st</sup> grade poster winner- Kyleigh Callery

2<sup>nd</sup> grade poster winner- Spencer Brien

3<sup>rd</sup> grade poster winner- Emma Sharp

4<sup>th</sup> grade poster winner- Emma Soucy

5<sup>th</sup> grade poster winner- Trysta Winkowski

J. Senter reminds the public that the Conservation Committee will be planting trees at the Library on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be planting the trees. She would love to have all join in the Arbor Day celebration.

### **GASB 45**

Topic is deferred until next week.

S Ranlett requests the Board members bring the packets handed out tonight when this topic is rescheduled to save some trees.

### **RENEWABLE COMMITTEE REVIEW**

J. Kiszka reviews the Charter for the Renewables Committee. The changes discussed last week were made.

This is a new Ad Hoc committee to review the current energy operations relative to costs and the delivery of services to the residents, for a minimum of 12 months.

Energy costs are only going up. Looking for volunteers from Plaistow to join this committee if they have experience with renewable energy.

Discussion ensues regarding members, guest speakers and the mission of the group.

**J Sherman motions to approve the Charter for the 2015 Town of Plaistow Renewable Committee as presented May 4, 2015.**

**J. Ingerson 2nds**

**Vote 5-0-0**

**Motion passes**

Next step to post and solicit members.

J. Kiszka would like to get the committee meeting within 3 weeks.

Each Board member will appoint a member.

J. Kiszka notes that not all watch channel 17 and request this be posted in the Carriage Town news and post to Facebook and the Plaistow Community page

### **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

GASB 45- Deferred though there are packets of information in your folders to review.

Communication Tower

Congressman Guinta- Congressional Projects- MPO projects on a 10 year plan

J. Sherman inquires as to how projects get on the MPO and if Plaistow has a process.

Plaistow projects begin at the Rockingham Planning Committee to get on MPO list.

S. Fitzgerald suggest a feeder list to the MPO through the CIP.

J Sherman recommends it going through the CIP process, a credentialed plan. Transportation was added to the CIP last year- a broader role. J. Sherman questions the 10 year plan.

Discussion ensues regarding funding and planning priorities. Strategic plans are discussed.

Hazardous mitigation, flooding. It is important to document any issues or problems that have been identified. J Ingerson inquires how Historical preservation applies to these environmental needs. S. Fitzgerald refers to the Cox Farm or agricultural investments the town has invested in is an environmental historic purpose. Historic uses of property.

Comcast Negotiations- Proof of performance (Ascertainment) on May 18<sup>th</sup>- Post

NHDES- Drinking Water Source Protection Conference

Methuen Construction-

Building Facilities Supervisor

Dog Licenses

Westville Road Design- The red list is being pushed out. J Ingerson inquires as to who is responsible to repair these bridges. S. Fitzgerald states it is the Town's responsibility.

MS-4 Report J. Sherman notes to minimize the amount of time water travels down the road the more it is picking up chemicals along the way, which cause more problems.

T. Bergeron states that some businesses are parking their cars on the grass-that is not acceptable- they should be held accountable. We all play a part in protecting the watershed.

Assessing Credit/Exemptions/Abatements

Sandown withdrawal feasibility study

Plaistow Pride- May 16th and May 17<sup>th</sup>

Women in Leadership

Memorial Day

Town Wide Yard Sale

Spaghetti Dinner

Carleton Path Reminder

Public Safety Complex Meeting

American Diabetes Ride

Household Hazardous Waste Day

Source Water Protection

Timberlane Regional High School Graduation

### **ACTION ITEM REVIEW**

The items are reviewed.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Memorandum of understanding- One change on page two- Change Operations Lt to Chief of Police or his/her designee. It is the consensus of the Board the Memorandum if fine with that one change and will sign the document into policy.

J. Sherman request to get the exact feet/yard from a dwelling that firearms can be discharge

T. Bergeron states there were a lot of trash issues last week that were commented on online.

S. Fitzgerald states that any resident having trash issues should call Town Hall. If we don't have their address we cannot address the issue with JRM and follow up.

### **SIGNATURE FOLDER**

S. Ranlett states the manifest and signature folder are going around.

### **SELECTMENS REPORTS**

J. Sherman-

No Meetings though mentions the training requested by the Budget Committee by NHMA will not be scheduled at Town hall. They won't schedule training seminars 30 days before or 30

days after their scheduled seminars in September. NHMA suggests attending their seminars. We will get exact dates and times of those meetings to the Budget Committee members.

J. Kiszka-

Thanks all poem and poster contest participants.

Will be attending the Water Conference on Wednesday.

T. Bergeron-

Nothing to report.

J. Ingerson-

Nothing to report, though Thanks all the participants in the poem and poster contest.

S. Ranlett-

Nothing to report

J. Ingerson notes that all public meeting are open to the public and are open to any citizens.

Public Session adjourned at 7:58 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Hamel

Recording Secretary