

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2010  
HOPE TOWN OFFICE  
6:30 P.M.**

*Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen.*

**Board Members Present:** Barbara Bentley, Mike Ames, Tim Pearse, Kathleen Hastings, Eric Campbell

**Others Present:** Jon Duke, Janice Campbell, Jack Drew – Clear View Tower

**I. Call the Meeting to Order**

Barbara Bentley called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

**II. Minutes**

**a. Minutes of the June 28 meeting of the Board of Selectmen**

Tim Pearse moved, and Mike Ames seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Selectmen as modified. **Motion passed 3-0-2 (Hastings and Campbell abstained)**

**III. Election of Officers**

**a. Election of Chairman**

Tim Pearse moved, and Mike Ames seconded, a motion to nominate Barbara Bentley as chair. **Motion passed 5-0**

**b. Election of Vice Chairman**

Mike Ames moved, and Barbara Bentley seconded, a motion to nominate Tim Pearse as vice chair. **Motion passed 5-0**

**IV. Selectmen's Roundtable**

- Next regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen is Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM at the Town Office.
- Janice Campbell spoke to the Board regarding the increasing amount of horse manure and horses riding side by side on town roads from Alford Lake Camp. The Board asked the Town Administrator to contact the camp and inform them of this issue.

**V. Town Administrator's Report**

- Work has begun on the RFP for the design of the ADA enhancements and Town Office modifications.
- The new Union 69 Superintendent Judy Harvey started work this week, while Five Towns CSD Superintendent Pat Hopkins announced her resignation to take a job in Gardiner.
- One of the maple trees in the front of the Town Office is failing and will likely need to come down this fall. Jon received a quote from Farley and Son to cut the tree and the

price seems very reasonable. The Town will get more prices before having the work done.

- The Town will be filing the lien within the week on the outstanding personal property due to the town from Leslie Robinson and Bruce Melanson dating back to 2003. While personal property liens do not have the same force as they do on real property liens, the Town stands in the primary position to receive funds should they become available.
- The Town received a complaint regarding the construction of a rockpile off the shore of the boat ramp on Hobbs Pond. While the matter has been reviewed by the Inland Harbormaster, DEP, and myself, there are no violations to be found. However there may be a concern of creating a navigational hazard that the Game Warden may need to be made aware of.
- The Planning Board elected Martie Cooper as Chair and “Tug” Kellough as Vice Chair at their first meeting of the new fiscal year, and approved a Site Plan Review application for Pine Ridge Carpentry proposed second floor addition.
- Amy Root and Andrew Stewart have expressed interest in joining the Town’s Recreation Committee in conjunction with their goals to pursue grant funding for a pathway running from Pond Road to True Park. Their applications should be present for the next meeting so that they can be appointed at that time.

## **VI. Old Business**

### **a. Fire Station Completion**

Eric Campbell made a motion to authorize a payment of \$44,480.68 to cover construction to date on the new Hope Corner Fire Station project. The remaining \$5,000 will be held until the bottom of the phosphorous drainage ponds have been removed of the large bark material. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion approved 5-0.**

### **b. Flood Map Review**

The Board asked the Administrator to inform the various lake and pond associations in Hope of the possibility of having the flood zones re-mapped this fall and ask if they wish to support the just under \$7,000 cost of mapping these zones.

## **VII. New Business**

### **a. South Hope Wireless Communication Tower Site discussion**

Jack Drew of Clear View Communications spoke with the Board regarding his company’s interest in locating a wireless communication tower in South Hope. The town owned property adjacent to All Directions Towing and the Union Chemical property is considered to be a desirable site for a tower in conjunction with another site in West Rockport. The existing tower on Ragged Mountain is full, and therefore no other wireless transponders can be placed on the tower there and it is cost prohibitive to add a second tower there. The town would have the choice of a solid monopole tower or a three legged lattice tower, and there are no differences in the service provided by the tower chosen. The town would need to lease a 100 x 100 fenced in space for a length of 50 years with an option out of the contract in 5 years.

### **b. Hope Grove Cemetery Rules amendments – Janice Campbell**

Tim Pearse made a motion to amend the Hope Grove Cemetery Rules as presented by the Cemetery Committee with corrections. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion approved 5-0.**

**c. Online Boat Registration**

Tim Pearse made a motion to endorse the online boat registration proposal as presented. Eric Campbell seconded. **Motion approved 5-0.**

**d. Approval of Warrants**

Eric Campbell moved, and Tim Pearse seconded, a motion to approve warrants 1-3. **Motion approved 5-0.**

**VIII. Adjournment**

Tim Pearse moved to adjourn at 9:15 pm. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion passed 5-0.**