

**Readfield Select Board
Regular Meeting Minutes – April 4, 2016**

Select Board Members Present: Valarie Pomerleau, Thomas Dunham, Christine Sammons, Bruce Bourgoine, and Allen Curtis

Others Attending: Eric Dyer (Town Manager), Kristin Parks (Board Secretary), William Starret (Channel 7), David Hepfner, Peter Barengo, Jerry Bley, Deb Doten, Greg Durgin, Grace Keene, John Parent, Robert Harris, Milton Wright, Sandra Rourke

Ms. Pomerleau called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

Regular Meeting

- **16-121 - Minutes:** Select Board meeting minutes of March 21, 2016
 - **Motion** made by Mrs. Sammons to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2016 meeting as amended, **second** by Ms. Pomerleau. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-122 - Warrant: #41 & #42**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to approve Warrant #41 & #42 in the amount of \$361,413.99, **second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

Communications

- **Select Board Communications**
 - Mr. Curtis spoke regarding an article in the Community Advertiser that misquoted the Select Board. Wanted to clarify that this statement was untrue.
 - Ms. Pomerleau spoke regarding Select Board meetings and proper etiquette.
 - Mr. Bourgoine reported that he and Ms. Pomerleau have met on their number one goal on trying to bring the community together. Still a work in progress with more to come.
 - Mr. Bourgoine mentioned that on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 7:15 am there is a Winthrop Chamber Breakfast meeting on the opiate addiction problem in the Winthrop Lakes Region and if anyone wanted to attend he is willing to share a ride.
- **Town Manager**
 - Mr. Dyer went over his Town Manager report dated April 4, 2016.
- **Boards, Committees, Commissions & Departments**
 - **Approved Board Minutes received: Conservation Commission 01/12 & 02/09 and Trails Committee 01/26 & 02/23**
 - Thank you for submitting your minutes.
 - **Conservation Commission Mill Stream Proposal**
 - Mr. Bley, Mr. Durgin and Mr. Harris spoke regarding the Mill Stream Dam Project and went over the information presented in the packet. Discussion amongst the Select Board, community members and committee presenters regarding the next steps of the project.
 - **Motion** made by Ms. Pomerleau to give the conservation commission and other parties involved permission to move forward with the Mill Stream Project, making sure that all abutters and neighbors are treated with curtesy and that it is paid for through donations and fundraising, not tax dollars. **Second** by Mr. Dunham. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

- **Public Communications - *Members of the public may address the Select Board on any topic***
 - Mr. Moran spoke regarding the speed limit on Harmony Hills Road and the dangerous situations he has encountered. Look into speed limit signs and spotter lines on Readfield roads. Also breaking signs on Route 17 coming from Kent's Hill.
 - Mr. Hepfner spoke regarding his concerns with the current budget issues. Went over information he submitted for the packet.

Appointments & Re-Appointments :

- **16-123 – Appointment of Darlene McMahon to the Age Fridley Adhoc Committee**
 - Tabled until April 19, 2016 meeting.
- **16-124 – Accept the resignation of Bruce Hunter from the Planning Board**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine that we regretfully accept Bruce Hunters resignation and move forward with filling the position. **Second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Discussion:** Mr. Dyer to post vacancy for Planning Board. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-125 – Consider the process for board, committee and commission re-appointments**
 - **Motion** made by Ms. Pomerleau to have the re-appointment applications that have been submitted up to the close of business day of April 13th put on the April 19th Select Board meeting. **Second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Discussion:** Brief discussion amongst the Select Board if they have to be posted before re-appointments can be voted on. **Vote** 4-1, opposed by Mr. Curtis due to automatic re-appointments, doesn't give other town members an opportunity to submit their appointment interests.

Unfinished Business:

- **16-117 – Solid Waste Proposal for Fayette**
 - Discussion amongst the Select Board regarding the next steps of the solid waste proposal for Fayette and information presented in the packet.
 - Mr. Dyer went over the breakdown of the proposal and expressed that option 3 seems to be the best way to proceed.
 - Concerns from Mr. Hepfner regarding the dirt road to the transfer station and the wear and tear on it by adding more traffic. Mr. Dyer explained they did a complete capital analysis for all different areas of concerns/maintenance that may arise.
 - Suggested to proceed with caution and make sure all homework is done before any final decisions are made.
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to proceed with negotiating with the Town of Fayette, presenting them with the proposal to be included in the Readfield/Wayne Transfer Station with the plan that is modeled in the draft submitted at tonight's meeting. **Second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Vote** 4-1, opposed by Mr. Dunham.
- **16-119 – Spirit of America Awards**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Curtis that we accept the six nominations for Spirit of America/Unsung Hero Awards. **Second** by Mr. Bourgoine. **Discussion:** Not enough money set aside for all six awards. Mr. Dyer to look into areas where he can come up with funds to cover all the awards. Present at the Volunteer Appreciation event in May. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

New Business:

Consensus amongst the Select Board to skip over 16-126 and go back to after all other items discussed.

- **16-127 – Consideration of Administrative Ordinance Amendment**
 - Mr. Dyer went over the amendment to the Administrative Ordinance under Section 1.4: Acceptance of Gifts and Donations to the Town.
 - **Motion** made by Bourgoine that we move the first reading so that it proceeds to a second and final reading and adoption at the next scheduled meeting of the Administrative Ordinance as presented and amended. **Second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-128 – Consider the disposition of Tax Acquired Property**
 - There are two parcels, undeveloped land, with no issues. Same owner for both properties. Suggested by Mr. Dyer for the town to hold on to these two properties. Have contacted legal on this matter. Contract with the heirs of the land owner prior to end of current physical year. Lengthy discussion amongst the Select Board regarding the next steps to handling the tax acquired property.
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to authorize the Town Manager to pursue an agreement with the heirs to the tax payer, with the discussion of tonight's meeting, and to include the current taxes and any legal costs. **Second** by Mr. Dunham. **Discussion:** Mr. Dyer to report back to the Select Board. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-129 – Weathervane Liquor License**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine the approval of the liquor license for the Weathervane Restaurant be accepted and waive the Public Hearing. **Second** by Mr. Dunham. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-126 – Draft Town Meeting Warrant Review**
 - Mr. Dyer went over the information presented in the packet and the draft town meeting warrant. Discussion regarding the upcoming meetings and timeline dates for the upcoming process.
 - Changes to the upcoming meetings to make more sense for the town and residents. April 19th – Informational meeting, April 25th – Final meeting.
 - Ideas on ways to get the information available to the town residents.
 - Discussion amongst the Select Board on changes to the articles.

Motion made by Mr. Dunham to extend the meeting until 9:15pm, **Second** by Mr. Bourgoine. **Vote** 4-1 opposed by Mr. Curtis.

- **16-130 – Other**
 - Mr. Bourgoine spoke that the Age Friendly Community Adhoc Committee would like to apply for a grant of \$8,000 through AARP that will be used to do professional surveying of the needs for the community.
Motion made by Mr. Bourgoine that the grant application be reviewed by the Town Manager before being submitted to AARP. **Second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Discussion:** Select board will have to accept the grant when the money comes in. **Vote** 5-0 in favor

Motion made by Mrs. Sammons to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 pm, **Second** by Mr. Dunham. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

Minutes recorded by Kristin Parks, Board Secretary