

Readfield Select Board

Regular Meeting Minutes – May 31, 2016

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

Others Attending: Eric Dyer (Town Manager), Robin Lint (Town Clerk), William Starret (Channel 7), Milton Wright, Sandra Rourke, Grace Keene, Ann Mitchell, Clifford Buuck, Lenny Reay Jr., Fran Zambella

Ms. Pomerleau called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

Regular Meeting

- **16-169 – Minutes: Select Board meeting minutes of May 16, 2016**
 - **Motion** made by Mrs. Sammons to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2016 meeting as amended, **second** by Mr. Dunham. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-170 – Warrant: #49 & #50**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to approve Warrant #49 & #50 in the amount of \$326,708.63, **second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

Communications

- **Select Board Communications**
 - Mr. Bourgoine made a **motion** to write a letter to RSU #38 to submit the final bills so they can be paid in this year's budget, **second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
 - Mrs. Sammons mentioned the Firemen's Breakfast being held this Saturday starting at 7:00 am.
- **Town Manager**
 - Mr. Dyer went over his Town Manager report dated for May 31, 2016.
 - Mr. Curtis made a **motion** to take the bottles collected at the Transfer Station and apply them to the Fuel Assistance Program, **second** by Mr. Dunham. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **Boards, Committees, Commissions & Departments**
 - **Appointments Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes of April 21, 2016**
 - Thank you all for submitting your minutes.
- **Public Communications - *Members of the public may address the Select Board on any topic***
 - Speaker Lenny Reay Jr.: Mr. Reay expressed that he felt like the Select Board lied to him and the voters of Readfield when the Board voted to repair the old maintenance truck and then two weeks later the Board voted to purchase a new truck for maintenance. Ms. Pomerleau and Mr. Dunham both explained why the vote changed to purchase the new truck.
 - Speaker Fran Zambella: Mr. Zambella asked if it was new that the town charges for clean wood. Mr. Zambella said he just noticed a sign for fees around the clean wood pile. The Town Manager explained

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that we have charged for years because the Town has to pay to have the clean wood ground-up and where the fees pay for the grinding. Mr. Zambella said he also thought we were fixing the old truck and asked where the money was coming from for the purchase of a new truck. The Town Manager explained the process and where the money was coming from.

- Speaker Lenny Reay Jr.: Mr. Reay asked why the Town office wasn't opened full time and said that a Town Meeting in the 1990's called for full time hours for the office and a full time CEO/LPI. The Town Manager explained the closure on Thursdays allow the employees to work uninterrupted and to make personal appointments. Mr. Dyer said the CEO/LPI's hours have been reduced for the last couple of years.

Appointments & Re-Appointments:

- **16-171 – Re-Appoint Jeanne Harris to the Trails Committee**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to re-appoint Jeanne Harris to the Trails Committee for the term of 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2018, **Second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-172 – Re-Appoint Robert Harris to the Trails Committee**
 - **Motion** made by Mrs. Sammons to re-appoint Robert Harris to the Trails Committee for the term of 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2019, **Second** by Mr. Bourgoine **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-173 – Re-Appoint Elisabeth (Betty) Peterson to the Library Board of Trustees**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to re-appoint Elisabeth Peterson to the Library Board of Trustees for the term of 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2019, **Second** by Mrs. Sammons. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

Unfinished Business:

- **16-166 – 1st Reading of the revised Procedures for Appointments and Reappointments**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to except the 1st reading of the revised" Procedures for Appointments and Re-appointments" as written, **second** Christine Sammons.
Discussion: Mr. Curtis said he would like to see clearer language in the document that new applications would be considered not just residents applying for reappointment. Mr. Dunham said that the committee reviewed the subject very thoroughly. Mr. Dunham went on to say that he felt that Mr. Curtis concerns are addressed in the document and in the end the Select Board would decide who best to appoint or reappoint after reviewing all the applications submitted. The Select Board complemented the committee for the diligent and professional work done on the document. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-167 – 2nd Reading of the Proposed Readfield Code of Public Conduct**
 - **Motion** made by Bruce Bourgoine moved to approve the 2nd reading of the "Readfield Code of Public Conduct" and have the Town Manager provide each committee with a copy and post it both in the downstairs and upstairs meeting rooms. **Second** by Christine Sammons.

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Discussion: The title of the document was discussed in length. Some did not like the word “Code” in the title. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

- **Motion** made by Mrs. Sammons to change the title of the “Readfield Code of Public Conduct” to “Readfield’s Standards of Conduct for Public Meetings”, **second** by Allen Curtis. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

New Business:

- **16-174 – Consider a construction agreement with the Maine DOT for work on Rt. 17**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Dunham to enter into a construction agreement with Maine DOT for work on Rt. 17, **second** by Mr. Curtis. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-175 – Consider a purchase and sale agreement for the tax acquired property at Readfield Tax Map 102, Lot 042 and Readfield Tax Map 119, Lot 024**
 - **Motion** made by Mrs. Sammons to enter into a “Purchase and Sale Agreement: as written with a floating date and at least for the money in the agreement now, **second** by Mr. Bourgoine. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-17 – Recognize the Age Friendly Community Ad-hoc Committee**
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Bourgoine to have Eric sign for the grant, **second** by Mrs. Sammons.
Discussion: The grant is a planning grant from AARP. The 2 million required insurance will be covered by the Town’s current insurance policy for no extra charge. Mr. Bourgoine said the Committee is aware of the restrictions that were in the grant. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.
- **16-177 – Other**
 - A letter was received from Mr. Durgin and an e-mail was also received from Ms. Doten and Mr. Davis, all thanking the board and staff for the Volunteer Appreciation evening and how they thought it was a great success and appreciated the event.

Motion made by Mr. Bourgoine to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm, **Second** by Mr. Dunham. **Vote** 5-0 in favor.

Minutes recorded by Robin Lint, Town Clerk