

**ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORK SESSION
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY**

MINUTES

Chairman DeWolfe called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM with a roll call. Steve Felton, Fran Newton, Normand DeWolfe, Phil Preston, present. Leigh Sharps absent with notice.

Others Present: Paul Branscombe, Pat Crowell and members of the Public.

Chairman DeWolfe invited **Rick Alpers** to the table. Alpers works with **PRIMEX** and is here tonight to speak with the Selectmen and answer questions. Mr. Alpers explained what PRIMEX is and does and how it benefits the town. He answered several questions that the Board had. Newton motioned to accept the CAP agreements. Felton seconded. All in favor. When finished, the Chairman thanked Mr. Alpers for coming and the board signed the CAP agreements for Worker's Compensation and Property/Liability.

Chairman DeWolfe asked Tim Paquette to speak about the **Mini-Loader**. DeWolfe said that he was concerned that there was no bid process and Paquette couldn't get prices from other dealers because the dealers wouldn't step on each other's toes. The Hooksett dealer gave the best price and offered \$4000 trade in on the old equipment. DeWolfe said that other towns use a skid steer, which is less expensive than a mini loader. Paquette pointed out that visibility is a key issue with a skid steer and the mini loader has the visibility. The Board gave Paquette permission to call and get a copy of the lease for the mini-loader. DeWolfe asked Paquette about single stream recycling. Paquette said that there is not as much revenue from that.

Town Expenditures – The Chairman asked that the Board look at the spread sheets he handed out. Some discussion regarding some lines in the budget that were in danger of overspending.

Concerned Citizen Log – Nothing new. Going forward the Board would like a date on the log.

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Current Issue Log – When is DRED coming? Not sure. The Chairman requested that parking should be put on the next agenda. He would also like a copy of the parking lot lease at the Legion. A conversation started about the barrels of acid at the Mill. DES has been there.

Beach Sand Replacement – Jim Gleich will be meeting with DES. The Board thought that there should be a representative from the Selectboard and from the Conservation Commission.

The Chairman said that he would like Jim to come to the next meeting and talk about the beach fees and summer camp.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Part Time Police Officer – Cecil Cooper was originally hired as a part-time officer but never sworn in. **Full Time Police Officer** – William Ulwick – starting Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

Appointment of Planning Board Member – Carol Fucarile - Newton motioned to appoint Carol Fucarile to Planning Board. Felton seconded. All in favor.

Planning Board secretary – Paula Hancock will be the new secretary as Badger is a full time member now.

Appointment of ZBA member – Eli Badger – Newton motioned to appoint Eli Badger to the ZBA. Felton seconded. Preston opposed. In favor 3-1

GIS project update – Felton gave an overview of the project. Michelle Roberts will digitize the tax maps. Felton mentioned a GIS steering committee.

CIP – Felton said that the CIP Committee met last week with Public Works and Park & Recreation. This Wednesday they will be meeting with the school, electric department, and water/sewer.

New Building Inspector – Bob Flanders started in the position last week. He has met with the Fire Chief. His hours are 8:30 to 12:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Mardean Badger needs the cell phone number to put on the web site. It was noted that Bob will also be the Code Enforcement Officer, Electrical Inspector, and Plumbing Inspector.

Felton asked about **road projects**. He would like Tim Paquette to meet with the Board.

Preston motioned to go into **Non-Public** pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,II (c) at 8:14pm. Felton seconded. Roll Call: Steve Felton yes, Fran Newton yes, Normand DeWolfe yes, Phil Preston yes. **Others present:** Rusty Cross, Tony Randall, and Paul Branscombe. Mr. Cross has concerns about the lack of communication between himself and the Police Department. Police Chief Randall said that the procedures followed were correct. Discussion followed about improving communication. Motion to leave non-public session and return to public session by Newton and seconded by Preston. Public session reconvened at 8:47 pm.

There being no further business, Preston moved to adjourn at 8:48pm. Newton seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Crowell
April 22, 2015