



TOWN OF ORRINGTON Selectmen's Meeting Minutes February 13, 2012

1. Call Selectmen's Meeting to Order: The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 PM. Those present were; Chairman, Kevin Allcroft, Christine Lavoie, Howard Grover, James Goody, Terrence Bladen; Town Manager, Paul White; Town Clerk, Susan Carson; Police Supervisor, Jon Carson; Public Works Foreman, John Hodgins; ACO, Carla Brown; 8 citizens; 6 boy scouts.

2. Adjustments To the Agenda: None.

3. Public Comments: None.

4. Approve: Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for January 23, 2012. Lavoie moved to approve the minutes. Grover seconded. Goody stated that in paragraph 7, beaver "receivers" needs to be changed to "deceivers". Allcroft asked that in the same paragraph, the wording changed to say that "a meeting will be scheduled between" Tom Schaefer from IFW and the landowners. Changes made. **Vote: Yes-5.**

5. Awards & Recognition: None.

6. Appointments & Resignations: None.

Old Business:

7. Swetts Pond Road Beaver Flowage: White has been notified that the individuals with Inland Fisheries and Wildlife are trying to put a meeting together late this week or early next.

8. Town Gravel Pit on the Grant Road: White stated that he is working with K&K excavation from Rt 15 to the site. White has applied to the state for a permit by rule in order to operate in shoreland zone.

New Business :

9. Department and committee reports:

A. Fire/Rescue Monthly Report: Presented in writing.

B. ACO Monthly Report: Presented in writing.

10. Benny Veenhof request to purchase Town property parcel: Benny Veenhof was present. White stated that Veenhof is looking to purchase a small piece of land in order to allow him to build a structure without interfering with his septic system. White looked into the road frontage and there is 1000 feet. Veenhof would only need 20 feet. Grover is concerned regarding the lot being part of the business park. Grover moved to put a proposal to SEAC committee to approve. Veenhof is offering \$500. He was told he would need to purchase rather than get an easement or variance. He would do whatever is approved by the Board. Lavoie seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**

11. Municipal Budget Discussion with Animal Control, Public Works, and Policing. White noted during ACO budget discussion that Bucksport was not going to renew the animal

shelter contract. Public Works was discussed next. Allcroft suggested White look into consolidating the phone items. He also suggested the furnace replacement be changed to a more energy efficient alternative. Policing budget discussed next.

12. Treasurer's Warrants and Budget Summary: Passed around and signed.

13. Report Folder: Passed around.

14. Town Manager's Report: White commented on the meeting with the Governor that he attended with Allcroft and Bearor regarding the former HoltraChem site. He felt it was productive. Spring Cleanup, White looking for opinions of the Board on how to conduct the event. Fall cleanup was a one day event. Lavoie stated that spring is busier than fall. If we had it for one day only then she suggested the hours be extended. 2014 Time Warner franchise contract with Orrington will expire. White will be looking into consolidating with other towns to create a new contract. White asked who did the veterans memorial project and Grover said Chip Haskell. White said the wall needs some attention and he will be working on that in the near future.

15. Board Comments: Bladen would like to meet with Paul to look at some of the Town buildings since this is his first budget cycle on the Board. Goody asked what budget will be discussed at the next meeting and Paul said he hadn't decided yet. White said he was going to send flowers to the memorial service for Center Drive School Librarian, Terry Ring who passed away recently. White asked how much the selectmen wanted to spend for a donation to the library books in her memory. The Board agreed that \$100 was to be donated. The Board agreed on the same amount to the Maine State Troopers Foundation in memory of former selectman, Ralph Holmes. Lavoie wondered if White had made any progress on the Boston Post Cane. White has not but will do soon. Grover asked if it was possible to get a dollar amount of what goes back into surplus every year. White stated that it will show on the year end report. Allcroft noted that the school budget hearing is set for tomorrow evening.

16. Adjourn: Lavoie moved to adjourn at 8:40. Grover seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan L. Carson, Town Clerk

Chairman

Manager

Clerk