



TOWN OF ORRINGTON

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2012

*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; Attorney, Ed Bearor; 2 citizens.

1. *Adjustments To the Agenda:* None.
2. *Public Comments:* None.
3. *Approve:* A. *Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for May 29, 2012:* Lavoie moved to approve the minutes as presented. Grover seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**  
B. *Approve Minute for Annual Town Meeting June 4, 2012:* Lavoie moved to approve the minutes as presented. Grover seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**
4. *Awards & Recognition:* None
5. *Appointments & Resignations:* None

*Old Business:*

- A. *Update on Grant Road Recreational Area:* Right-of-way passage has been built to gravel pit and the pit has been cleared of trees. Allcroft asked if paperwork has been signed for the right-of-way, White said it has not yet. Much discussion regarding the history of the right-of-way.
- B. *Swetts Pond Road Beaver Flowage update (Attorney Bearor):* White has nothing new to add as there has been nothing going on in there. Attorney Bearor informed the Board they would need to file a civil action in order to attempt to recover the costs of rebuilding Swetts Pond Road last spring. An agreement could be established between the Town and the Pelletier's to be able to access the dam and maintain. Taking it by eminent domain would be another option but would require a Town Meeting vote and it is felt that an agreement with the Pelletier's would be the best option. Grover moved to go forward with the civil action against identified landowner as recommended by the Town Attorney and try to collect damages. Lavoie seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**

*New Business:*

6. *Department and Committee Reports:*
  - A. *Fire/Rescue Department Monthly Report:* Presented in writing.
  - B. *ACO Monthly Report:* Presented in writing.
7. *Appointment Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for 2012-2013.* Lavoie moved to nominate Kevin. Grover seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**

**Kevin M. Allcroft, Chairman**

8. *Annual Appointments and Boards/Committee Re-Appointments for 2012-2013*: Lavoie moved to approve all of the annual appointments as noted. Grover seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**
9. *Approve General Assistance Amendment for 2012-2013 as mandated*: Legislature mandated changes and it reduces the level of assistance on a monthly basis to eligible recipients. Lavoie moved to accept the new amendments. Bladen seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**
10. *Approve Town Manager's Contract for 2012-2013*: White submitted two contracts with noted changes. The second of two is adding a benefit for him to have life insurance provided by the town as other employees currently are. Grover moved to table. Town Charter says one month prior to contract renewal an evaluation needs to be done. Allcroft said he was under the impression that the executive session was the evaluation. Much discussion. Several of the selectmen voiced that the last executive session was discussion of the contract and not an evaluation. Grover reads the section on the charter that states the requirement for the Town Manager's evaluation. Bladen stated that he felt the contract was agreed upon. Allcroft stated that if an evaluation would be desired we can still do one. Lavoie seconded Grover's motion to table. **Vote: 0. All opposed.** Lavoie moved to approve the contract with the life insurance. And then have an executive session at the next meeting to do a performance evaluation. Goody seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**
11. *Treasurer's Warrants and Budget Summary*: Passed around and signed.
12. *Report Folder*: Passed around.
13. *Town Manager's Report*: Dam Road gate will get installed in the next couple of weeks. Next Tuesday at the Eddington Fire Dept there will be a NIMS training that all Selectmen are required to attend to be in compliance. Members of BACTS, Ron Harriman and White met on Snows Corner intersection discussing widening the intersection. DOT responded that a pole will need to be moved and there may be issues with right-of-ways. Priscilla Stover is back for the summer working on her assessing project. Ben Birch will be working with Dick Harriman and preparing for the tax commitment coming in July. Richard is doing some work during the week as he can. Bids will be received for paving soon.
14. *Board Comments*: Bladen asked if Mrs. Cox on Settler's Way was requesting help with the flooding from the beaver dam breach. White said that fill has been brought in and Larry Pelletier has done some work there leveling off the gravel. Goody asked who his daughter could approach to use the Center Drive School ball field to use for a fund raiser walk. He was told to contact the school. Grover asked about the turn around on Mill Creek Rd. White hasn't looked closely at the survey, but it appears that the town owns half of it. He also asked where we were with Snows Corner Road. White hasn't received the rfp's yet but should be getting them soon. He also mentioned that it had been a while since we have done crack sealing. Lavoie asked about the Swetts Pond Dam. Said someone told her more water was coming out of it than should be.
- White said rfp's had been put out for this dam project and the Town received no bids. Olver and White will meet with HDR to request a bid from them and plan a time frame for the dam replacement. Not sure when the dam will be replaced but most likely will be next spring/summer. Allcroft noted the email in the packet regarding Mallinckrodt deed restriction.
15. *Adjourn*: Lavoie moved to adjourn at 9:00. Bladen seconded. **Vote: Yes-5.**

Respectfully Submitted,

***Kevin M. Allcroft, Chairman***

Susan L. Carson, Town Clerk

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*Manager*

*Clerk*

*Kevin M. Allcroft, Chairman*