



TOWN OF ORRINGTON

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

January 9, 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; 10 citizens including Henry Wiswell and Judith Gillis with the Historical Society.
 2. **Adjustments To the Agenda:** None
 3. **Public Comments:** None.
 4. **Approve: Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2011:** Grover moved to approve the minutes. Lavoie seconded. Grover asked that an item under public comment be changed that indicates the discussion was in regards to the swetts pond beaver flowage and the receiver is a "beaver deceiver". Goody asked that under Board Comments the line "Goody is looking for a contact person" in regards to the Boston Post Cane. **Vote: Yes-5.**
 5. **Awards & Recognition:** None
 6. **Appointments & Resignations:** None
- Old Business:**
7. **Status of 2009 Foreclosures Notices:** White mailed out 21-22 notices of impending foreclosure. At this time all of the accounts are resolved.
- New Business :**
8. **Department and committee reports:**

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

B. ACO Monthly Report: Presented in writing.

9. **Presentation of Goodale portraits by Historical Society:** Bruce Bowden spoke on behalf of the Historical Society and gave the Board the circumstances surrounding the donation of the portrait paintings by Major Goodale. The portraits are of Ephram and Prudence Goodale. As a descendent of the Goodales, Major Goodale wished to donate the portraits to the Town of Orrington, as an area in Town has been named Goodale Corner. Major Goodale is elderly and lives in Arizona. Judith Gillis then gave the history of the Goodales and their accomplishments and contribution to Orrington. White is working on finding a location to hang them at the office. Judith thanks the Board for allowing the Society to meet at the Town Office for their monthly meetings.

10. **Federal government excess equipment/vehicle grant:** The Fire-Rescue Department has potential opportunity to receive equipment from the government via a grant. There are Humvees that are available which are retired from military use and are being loaned to fire rescue departments for use in forest fires and off road situations. White will update the Board should this be offered to Orrington.

11. **Efficiency of Maine Pace Program:** This is a federal program that allows homeowners to get loans to make their homes more energy and heat efficient. In order for homeowners to participate, this program would need to be taken before the Town at Town Meeting. White advocates this. Bladen asked if code needs to be updated to meet the requirements of the program. White stated that it would not, but a separate ordinance would need to be drawn up for this program to be voted on at Town Meeting.

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

13. **Report Folder:** Passed around.

Town Manager's Report: An article will be coming out in the Weekly dealing with the Rt. 15 road project. White was interviewed for this article, giving an update and purpose for this project. K&K Excavation is the contractor for the Rt. 15 project. White will be negotiating on materials from excavation for recreational areas. White, Allcroft, and Attorney, Ed Bearor will be meeting with Gov. LePage regarding the Mallinckrodt remediation project. White presented a plaque given to Orrington from the senior league softball team that we sponsored.

14. **Board Comments:** Goody commented that the new Public Works truck looks nice. White said it came in on Friday. The plow that is currently on it is on loan to try as it is a new style of plow. He stated that the Christmas party was a fine time. Goody wanted to clear a rumor he heard that DOT was no longer going to plow Rt. 15. White confirmed that was a rumor as no one had heard of this. Grover asked if there was any action on the poles moved on Mill Creek Road. White stated that Hydro had set the poles, but the lines have not been run yet. Grover brought a report from SW Cole regarding recommendations for roads, for information only. He feels that Snows Corner Road needs a complete reconstruction. Snows Corner not been redone for over 20 years. White stated that several other roads needing reconstruction, budget will be impacted heavily. Lavoie was informed by a resident that they were walking down the driveway to the town garage, and the Disc Golf Course owner approached him and questioned this person as to what he was doing. It is believed that the owners of the Course were being precautionary as the land is private property and others have been seen walking out back.

White confirmed that it is posted. Allcroft thanked White for ordering the table curtains. Allcroft also thanked the Historical Society for the pictures, and stated that he felt a small description would be nice to put near the portraits. Bladen asked about jake brakes for trucks on Rt. 15, as he has heard complaints. White stated that it is posted, but the ordinance is not very strong. Much discussion. This may be revisited.

15. **Adjourn:** Lavoie moved to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Goody seconded. Vote: Yes-5.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan L. Carson, Town Clerk

Chairman

Manager

Clerk