

TOWN OF ORRINGTON
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2016

Call Selectmen's Meeting to Order: The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman, Kevin Allcroft. Board members also in attendance were; Charlie Green, Christopher Robison, Keith Bowden; Town Manager, Paul White; Town Clerk, Susan Carson; Police Supervisor, Jon Carson; State Rep. to the Legislature, Dick Campbell; 9 citizens. Board member Allan Snell was absent from this meeting and was excused. Chairman, Allcroft stated that there were 2 items that needed to be added to this agenda and the item for Adjustments to the Agenda needs to be added as it was missed. Under New Business, A. Opening of Bids for Police Cruiser. New Business, B. Old Home Week Events Discussion.

- 1. Public Comment:** Resident, Sharon Caron asked why former Selectman, Jim Goody did not attend the last meeting to say goodbye. Goody did not win his seat at the election in June, and Allcroft stated he did not know of a reason for his absence other than it has been common practice for the newly elected board member to take their seat at the meeting following the election. Resident, Aleita Burman addressed the Board regarding the Boy Scouts. She asked if there is a liaison between the Scouts and the Board to keep up to date regarding potential projects for the boys. Would the Board like to see the Scout members attend the Board meetings? The Board and White agreed that they would love to have them attend any meeting. Discussion between the Board and Burman occurred regarding potential community projects for the Scouts. Cemetery clean-up would be a good project, especially the older cemeteries such as First Settlers Cemetery. Burman will reach out to Troop and Pack leaders to let them know the Board supports community projects. Robison stated he would also attend the next scout meeting to discuss possible cemetery clean-up.

Resident, John Cunningham inquired about when road-side mowing will occur this year, and also the status of snow plowing contract with the current contractor going out of business. White informed him that road-side mowing will begin this week, and the request for bids for snow plowing is out now.

- 2. Approve: Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes for June 27, 2016:** Robison moved to approve the minutes for June 27th. Green seconded. Bowden noted several items to be corrected. Item 3, Appoint Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year ~ it should be noted that a motion was made by Bowden and seconded by Robison to nominate Green prior to Bowden’s comment that he feels Green should have a chance to lead the Board. Item 4, Approve Penobscot County Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2016 ~ after Bowden seconded the motion, it should be noted that Bowden also stated that corrections need to be made to the 2016-2017 draft plan. Item 19, Board Comments ~ Bowden’s comment as written “Fiberight meeting on 7/5” should be changed to DEP Comment Draft, as opposed to Fiberight meeting. Allcroft noted a revision to be made to item 7, Update on Meadow Brook Beaver Dam IE: Swetts Pond Beaver Dam ~ the sentence “Allcroft stated there is not a need for a public hearing unless the town planned to do something to change the dam or land around it” should state that Allcroft “believed” there is not a need for a public hearing.... **Vote to approve June 27th minutes as amended: Yes-4.**

3. Appointments & Resignations: None

Old Business: None

4. New Business:

A. Opening of Police Cruiser Bids: Bids were opened following the Old Home Week Events Discussion. 2 bid packets were submitted. Allcroft proceeded to open them and read aloud as follows:

- 1. Quirk: 2016 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle: \$27,545.00
- 2016 Ford Interceptor Sedan: \$26,117.00
- 2016 Cevrolet Caprice Sedan: \$26,662.00
- 2016 Dodge Charger Sedan: \$24,118.00

2. Darlings: 2016 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle: \$29,910.00

Items noted during the bid reading: Quirk stated the Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle would need to be ordered, and available in base specs. Darlings stated their Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle was in stock and fully equipped, meaning pre-wired for equipment. The Board asked what the Interceptor Utility vehicle is. Sgt. Carson answered it is the same SUV that we currently have 2 of. The Sheriff's Dept. has changed over to primarily these same vehicles. Green made a motion to allow White and Sgt. Carson to take the bids, review them at a later date and move forward with their purchase decision. Robison seconded. Bowden asked Sgt. Carson several questions: how many cruisers do we currently have? Carson stated 3. What is the approximate mileage on the vehicle being retired? Carson answered just over 100,000. What types of transmission are in the vehicles bid? Carson answered the Interceptor vehicles (both Utility and Sedan) are AWD, Caprice Sedan and Charger are both RWD. Discussion occurred also around putting the retiring vehicle out for bid or possibly trading in. White and Carson to consider these options. **Note: Yes-4.**

B. Old Home Week Events Discussion: This item was discussed directly after approving the June 27th minutes. Allcroft confirmed with the Board that the photo contest on Thursday the 14th is from 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM. The Board is to judge the winners. Dick Campbell addressed the Board at this time. He informed them the organization of events is moving along smoothly. Maps for the endless yard sale event will be available on July 21st. The Northeastern Primitive Rendezvous participants are traveling to Orrington from all over the country and are very pleased with what Orrington is offering for their location. Parking plans discussed and the site plan for the Rendezvous. Parking will be along the entrance to Rocky Knoll Country Club with shuttle to the Wiswell Farm available. Parking will also be offered at Calvary Chapel during their non-business hours and

around church service times. Allcroft pointed out that they should consider that the grass area behind the Wiswell Farm may cause difficulty in parking should there be a rainfall. This will depend on if there are areas of incline or sloping. The cannon firing and rifle range events discussed. The Rendezvous organization has insurance for all of these events, and a notice to the public will go out when events will occur to forewarn of the noise.

C. Signing of Business MasterCard Resolution: Following item 6 on the agenda, Allcroft informed the Board that he had been presented with a form, by White, which needed a Town Official's signature. White informed them that Peoples United Bank discovered they did not have one on file for us, and they requested it as a standard procedure for them. The resolution lists Paul White and Susan Carson as the individuals authorized to make changes to, or order new Mastercards for the Town. Currently all department heads hold a card. Green moved to approve Allcroft signing the resolution. Robison seconded. **Vote: Yes-4.** Allcroft signed and submitted the form to White to return to the bank.

5. Department and Committee Reports:

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

6. Approve Carry Forward Balances for Road Projects and for Salt and

Sand to 16-17 Budget Year: White informed the Board that it is common practice for him to request carrying forward balances between the fiscal years when possible. Funds available to carry forward in the paving budget are \$17,594.98, sand \$35,489.10, and salt \$20,724.92. These funds if carried forward will be added to the appropriation for the 16-17 approved budgets. Bowden moved to allow White to carry the requested funds forward. Robison seconded. White stated the reason he chooses to practice carry forwards is to avoid having to schedule a Special Town Meeting to request additional funds that it is quite possible we may need. The prices for salt/sand are better this time of year and the quality is better than it would be in the fall. Bowden asked how we are doing in the

budget for these items as compared to last year. White replied that it is looking the same if not, better. **Vote: Yes-4.** At this time Allcroft discovered the Business Card Resolution that needed to be signed and added it as item 4C to this agenda.

- 7. Report Folder:** Passed around.
- 8. Treasurer's Warrants and Budget Summary:** Passed around and signed.
- 9. Town Manager's Report:** 1.) White informed the Board that roadside mowing is underway this week. DOT maintained roads were not done very well. White will address DOT regarding this. 2.) Reminded the Board that the annual picnic at PERC will be tomorrow at noon. 3.) Public Works began working four 10 hour days this week. These hours will remain in effect through the summer until around the start of the new school year. They will be working Monday – Thursday from 6:30 AM – 5:00 PM. 4.) Fields Pond Road culvert is being reviewed by the Town's engineer. We will likely begin some asphalt work around it this fall, and will be preparing to replace the culvert next year.
- 10. Board Comments:** Bowden: Attended a meeting in Orono this morning held by MRC, reaching out to towns that have either not had town meeting yet, or vote to stay with MRC was a tie. Fiberight has said they will move forward with the project once they reach 125,000 tons from municipalities and other sources. Currently they have approximately 97,000. Bowden stated that it is his view our Selectmen should submit a letter to DEP stating what Orrington's position will be. With PERC located in Orrington, such a letter would hold impact. Bowden requested this discussion to be placed on a future agenda. Bowden also inquired to White as to the need for re-surfacing the Fowler Rd. He stated he is trying to learn how the research is done for determining priority roads in the road project schedule. White answered the Fowler Rd. had overlay done. Binder has a life expectancy of approximately 5 years without overlay. Fowler Rd. and Long Hill Rd. are a priority for overlay. It should be done the same year as binder is laid, or the next year.

Robison: Will try to speak to the Boy Scouts next Monday at their meeting regarding possible project for them at First Settlers Cemetery.

Green: Do we have the funds for asphalt sealing? Is that part of the funds for paving? White confirmed.

Allcroft: Opened various pieces of mail: letter from the Town of Bucksport which stated Orrington's allocation of funds for the animal shelter contract.

Card from Librarian, Audrey Snowden. Letter from our Auditor, Foster & Company regarding upcoming audit services. Copy of letter to DEP written by Legislative Natural Resource Committee regarding the Fiberight project.

Survey received from Maine Municipal Association.

11. Adjourn: Bowden moved to adjourn at 8:30 PM. Robison seconded. **Vote: Yes-4.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan L. Carson, Town Clerk

Chairman

Manager

Clerk