

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
July 6, 2010
10:00 a.m.
Regular Meeting & Budget Session

BOS PRESENT:

Edward F. Gorham, Chair
Alfred A. Seymour, Jr.
Peter K. Hanley

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
Janet M. Richards
John Crocker, Public Works
Mark Turek, Resident

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Al Seymour made a motion to accept the minute of the July 1, 2010 meeting. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. VOTE – UNANIMOUS.

Ed Gorham made a motion to go into executive session per 1 MRSA § 405(6)(a) for a personnel matter. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. VOTE – UNANIMOUS. Board went into executive session @ 10:10 a.m.

At 10:25 a.m the Board returned from executive session with no vote taken and no decisions made.

Ed Gorham asked for the Board's permission to hire Tom Staples to install a new bathroom light at a cost lower than the previously quoted price by Sirois Electric. Ed Gorham made a motion to hire Tom Staples to install the light and do the required wiring. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** Ed stated that Tom will be available to do the work on Wednesday, July 7, 2010.

Board went in recess while waiting for Mark Turek who was on the agenda for 10:30 to arrive at the meeting.

Board returned from recess at 10:31 and recognized Mr. Turek.

Mr. Turek had a list of issues. He asked for a copy of the Income Protection Plan policy. This insurance is provided to all 3 office staff members.

He asked about town policies regarding use of town equipment for personal use by town employees. He also asked if the Board had approved the purchase of 50 traffic safety cones by the Public Works Department. These were split evenly between Public Works and the Fire Department and were purchased through a State of Maine vendor. John is not required to receive permission for all purchases that are within his budget.

Selectman Peter Hanley defended the town's management and the Board's handling of the town finances. Mr. Turek stated that he felt there was poor management going on in the town.

Mr. Turek also asked questions on time sheets of Public Works employees and why John attended an American Public Works Association seminar and whether or not other employees of Public Works

attended the same seminar. Delani Thurston also attended. Did Stephen Thurston also attend? Why did they need to attend? Mr. Gorham stated that there are seminars etc., that are requirements.

Mr. Turek asked why Mr. Gorham faxed copies of the signed Resolutions on Tabor II and the Excise Tax Resolutions to the Maine Municipal Association. Mr. Gorham stated that he would not answer any more questions on these two issues.

E-mails that were sent to Janet Richards, Town Treasurer were discussed. Mr. Turek asked questions and she checked with Maine Municipal Legal and was advised that she did not have to answer these questions.

Mr. Gorham stated that Janet Richards could choose to answer these questions or not. Janet felt that these were more personnel issues and not facts and figures and that she was not required to answer them and would or would not do that on her own time.

Ed reported to Mr. Turek that the Budget Committee had cut contracted services by \$11,000.00, \$5,000.00 out of Buildings & Land and \$2,000.00 from cemeteries.

Mr. Turek left the meeting.

Policy for making phone calls to MMA was discussed. The only policy the town ever had was regarding the Town Attorney but it was later rescinded. All Department Heads are allowed to call MMA.

Janet Richards entered the meeting. She presented the Board with a "draft" of the town meeting warrant. The Board needs to decide how much money will come out of the General Fund to offset property taxes. There is \$324,175.32 at the present time. It was close to the same amount last year.

Peter Hanley made a motion to use \$300,000.00 from the General Fund to offset property taxes. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

There will be two articles in the warrant regarding two changes to the **Land Use Ordinance** which will be provided by Peter Coughlan, Chairman of the Planning Board.

Peter Hanley made a motion to accept the changes to the Land Use Ordinance for (Verhille/Randolph Take-Out) Kinderhook/Windsor Streets. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Peter Hanley made a motion to accept the newsletter as drafted. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Al Seymour made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Next meeting is **Friday, July 9, 2010 @ 10:00** for the execution of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

The meeting was adjourned at **11:20 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk