

**TOWN OF RANDOLPH**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**January 20, 2009**  
**3:00 p.m.**

***BOS PRESENT:***

**Robert B. Davis**  
**Peter K. Hanley**

***OTHERS PRESENT:***

*Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk*  
*Janet Richards, Tax Collector/Treasurer*  
*John Crocker, Public Works*

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Bob Davis made mention of the fact that at noon today, January 20, 2009, Barack Obama was sworn in as President of the United States of America.

Peter Hanley made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 6, 2009 meeting. Bob Davis seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

A thank you note addressed to the Town from Janice Kincaid of Janices' Community Food Pantry was read by Bob Davis. She was thanking the Town of Randolph for their donation to the food pantry.

John Crocker asked the Board for permission to buy foul weather gear for Steve Thurston for working on the loader. John had thought about purchasing some kind of cab for the loader but it was too expensive. He would like to go to EJP in Gardiner and get a coat, gloves and pants for approximately \$170. Peter Hanley made a motion to give John permission to purchase these items. Bob Davis seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

John also reported that he had been in touch with CMP regarding replacement of some poles around town. CMP is doing this as part of their maintenance program and they had contacted the town in regard to where some of the lines were located. John has taken care of discussing this with them.

Bob Davis asked John about the letter from Mr. Roger Doyle on Lincoln Street. Mr. Doyle was complaining about damage done to his property by the snowplow. It was determined that this was done by the Gardiner Water District's plow truck and John said that he called Mr. Doyle and left a message on his answering machine giving him the correct information.

Before today's meeting Mr. Bernard "Buddy" Kidder of Clark Street spoke with Bob regarding an issue with a paper street adjacent to his property. Mr. Kidder gave Bob paperwork that he had received from Bob St. Pierre back in 2005 regarding the procedure to take over such paper street. Mr. Kidder is now having problems with snowmobiles cutting through this area. Bob Davis

asked Lynn to give this information to Bob St. Pierre and to have him get in touch with Bob Davis to discuss this issue.

Bob Davis discussed the upcoming “work session” scheduled for next week, January 28, 2009 @ 1:00 p.m. with Dennis Beaulieu from the USDA. Bob had a letter from Aubrey Strause of Earth Tech regarding the costs of redoing the pump station. Peter Hanley asked if this included the costs of fixing the infiltration problems. Bob Davis said he will contact Aubrey regarding this.

Bob reported that he had attended a Wastewater Advisory Committee meeting as a representative for the Town of Randolph. It was the general consensus that the State of Maine is supposed to get 50 million dollars or so from the stimulus plan and the people in charge seem to be leaning more towards this money being given out in the form of grants as opposed to loans.

There was discussion about the City of Gardiner still having CSO's into the river and the possibility that there will be some kind of reservoir built under a parking lot (perhaps in the Gardiner Feed building area) as holding tank for these overflows. Bob said that it was also conveyed that cities should have projects planned on a constant basis to keep the money flowing.

Bob reported that he had received a phone call at home regarding Gloria Fitzherbert. This call came from a woman regarding her daughter. Her daughter had been in the office to see Gloria and had felt that she was treated unfairly and insulted. Bob talked with Gloria and it was felt that she followed all the rules and regulations. Bob stated that some of the questions that must be asked could be interpreted as insulting and probing.

Bob mentioned that the Annual CSO report had been turned over to Chuck Applebee for completion.

Also Bob said that he had not heard anything from Bill VanTuinen regarding the property on Water Street. He said that he will confer with Janet about sending a certified letter to Mr. VanTuinen.

Janet Richards entered the meeting to discuss a letter from MMA regarding a “Fleet Policy”. MMA said that they highly recommend that the Town re-do the personnel policy it has in place now so that it covers all employees and not just the office staff. Doing Driver License checks was also suggested. Lynn or Janet will get a sample Fleet Policy and give it to the Board at the next regular meeting.

Lynn gave the Board a copy of a medical note from a staff member who will be out for a period of one week due to a medical issue.

Census Bureau paperwork was given to Lynn to fill out and return.

MMA dues for the upcoming year were discussed. They were going to be \$2,154 which is in line with last year.

Peter Hanley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Davis seconded the motion. VOTE – UNANIMOUS.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 @ 1:00 which is a work session with Dennis Beaulieu of USDA regarding funding for the sewer project.

Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, February 3, 2009 @ 3:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk