

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
December 8, 2009
10:00 A.M.

BOS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT:

John Crocker, Public Works
R. Gloria Mansir Fitzherbert
Ron Cunningham, Fire Chief
Janet M. Richards, Treasurer
Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
Michael T. Smith, Director Somerset Regional Communications Center
Michael & Allison Smith

Meeting was called to order at 10:03 A.M.

Ed Gorham made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 24, 2009 meeting. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Al Seymour expressed concerns about parking at the T.C. Hamlin School. John Crocker stated that there were no parking signs. John also stated that the only way to have these cars towed away was to contact Greg Lumbert.

At 10:15 Mike & Allison Chase entered the meeting. Mr. & Mrs. Chase were on the Randolph Fire Department. They requested that the Board call an executive session as this was a personnel matter.

Ed Gorham made a motion to go into executive session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A). Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** Board went into executive session at 10:15 a.m.

At 10:32 a.m the Board returned from Executive Session. Ed Gorham made a motion to end the executive session. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

John Crocker reported to the Board that he is going to have the elevator unhooked and left at the bottom of the pump station. John said this will be taken care of shortly and that he will be contacting Mike Sirois to do the electrical part of this. Sonny stated that Mike will hook it up just for the purpose of lowering the elevator and then it will be unhooked. Al Seymour made a motion to accept John's recommendation that this be accomplished. Ed Gorham seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

At 10:40 a.m. the Board recognized **Michael Smith from Somerset County Dispatch** who was at the meeting to give a presentation regarding using them for Dispatch services. They handle approximately 20 municipalities in Maine and do a variety of services. Most of these are call transfers. He explained the services. He was at the meeting at the request of Michael Carrie of the Randolph Budget Committee.

Ron Cunningham entered the meeting and discussed the particulars with Mr. Smith and the Board. However, Ron feels that the town would be better served by going with Lincoln County for Dispatch Services. They would take care of the paperwork that will have to be done and submitted to the PUC. Ron also stated that this would keep the Mutual Aid Pact in place. This would save the Town approximately \$3,500.00 per year and keep the calls and dispatch together.

The Board asked for Ron's recommendation. He said that he would recommend that we go with Lincoln County. They thanked Mr. Smith for his presentation. Mr. Smith left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

There was discussion about the 90-day notice of pulling out of the State dispatching. Ron said that he had checked into this and was told that if Randolph, Pittston, Farmingdale and West Gardiner were leaving as a group, they would have to wait for 6 months. This will be checked into by Ron.

Ed Gorham made a motion to sign the intent with **Lincoln County Dispatch**. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS**. Letter of intent was signed by all 3 Board Members. Ron also stated that Lincoln County will not start charging the Town until they actually start doing the actual dispatching.

Janet Richards was recognized by the Board. She informed the Board that she had talked with Dennis Beaulieu of the USDA regarding the sewer project. She was asking for permission for the Town to obtain a **\$25,000 Line of Credit** to be in place and only utilized after all the other monies. Ed Gorham made a motion to obtain a \$25,000 line of credit for this purpose. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS**.

Janet also asked for advisement as to how to make up for the difference in the Income Protection Plan insurance after the recent raise given to Raeleen York. The raise in pay will increase the cost of the premiums. The Board asked Janet for her recommendation as to where to get the extra funds. It was decided that the money will be taken out of the town contingency fund. Ed Gorham made a motion to take the excess funds out of Contingency. Al Seymour seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS**.

Sonny James completed the **Submerged Lands Lease** which will be filed with the State.

Al Seymour made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Gorham seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS**.

Next meeting will be **Tuesday, December 22, @ 10:00 a.m.** The board will come into the office early to go through the correspondence file (work session) for the purpose of cleaning it out. Regular meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Mealey, Town Clerk