

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
November 18, 2014
5:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Mark E. Roberts
Robert Henderson
Aaron W. Cosand

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
Janet M. Richards, Tax Collector/Treasurer
Arthur Forand, Public Works

Meeting was called to order at 5:00.

Bob Henderson made a motion to accept all **annual appointments** presented by the Town Clerk. Aaron Cosand seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** Appointments are as follows:

ROBERT HENDERSON – GARDINER AMBULANCE COMMITTEE
ARTHUR FORAND – PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
GLENDON “SONNY” JAMES – PUMP STATION SUPERINTENDENT
GREGORY LUMBERT – HARBORMASTER/POLICE CHIEF (WITH ARREST POWERS) & CONSTABLE
RAELEN M. YORK – GENERAL ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR
ROBERT ST.PIERRE – CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/HEALTH OFFICER/PLUMBING INSPECTOR
RONALD CUNNINGHAM – EMA DIRECTOR
JANET RICHARDS – PUBLIC ACCESS OFFICER/TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR
LYNN R. MEALEY – TOWN CLERK/OFFICE SUPERVISOR

Board was presented with a **resignation letter** from Aaron Cosand resigning from the Randolph Planning Board. Mark Roberts made a motion to accept the resignation. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Email from Frank O’Hara regarding the possible **merger of the Gardiner and Hallowell Water Districts**. He would like to come and speak to the Board about this. He will be placed on the Agenda for Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 5:15. The Town Clerk will advise Mr. O’Hara of the date.

Aaron Cosand made a motion to accept the **minutes of the November 12, 2014 meeting**. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Mark read a memo from Bob St.Pierre regarding a **dispute** between **Randolph Hardware and Trussell’s Garage**. The memo stated that Bob had visited the site and spoke with someone from Peachey Builders and feels that in his opinion, this is a dispute between two property owners and

does not involve the Town of Randolph. Bob Henderson expressed that he still felt that Trussell was parking vehicles blocking the site line when taking a left off Windsor Street. Bob asked someone from DOT to look at it and they supposedly did but did not get back to Bob about it.

Board members signed payroll and accounts payable warrants.

Mark reported that he had met on Monday evening with two students and their professor who are going to do drawings of the future fire station on Kinderhook Street. They came in to ask some questions and to go and see the lot.

Mark also mentioned a meeting of the **Small Town Committee** which took place this week. Peter Coughlan attended this one. This committee was formed to investigate the possibility of “sharing” services among the surrounding towns. The next meeting will be on December 15, 2014 at Chelsea Town Office. It was suggested that at least one of the members of the Board attend the next meeting. Peter Coughlan sent a memo to the Board summarizing the meeting. Pittston has advertised for an ACO on the Maine Municipal Website and had no response. Mark is going to talk with Gardiner about possibility of “sharing” this service with them.

The Town Clerk reported on the search for a **cleaning service for the Town Office**. Gary Mills, from Millsy’s Cleaning Services in Augusta came down, did a walk-through and provided a quote for monthly services and extra quotes for shampooing carpets and stripping and waxing the floor. MOCA – Maine Office Cleaning Associates will be coming down to the office on Wednesday to appraise the job and will also provide a quote. The Board will look at the quotes and possibly make a decision at the next meeting. References will be contacted when they are closer to a decision.

Bob Henderson said that Fowler’s will begin doing the roof on the 24th of November. They have a new machine and will be using it here.

The deadline for the purchase of the Boucher property was discussed. The deadline given to Joshua Mason was Friday, November 21, 2014. This will be on the agenda for next week’s meeting.

Also on the agenda for next week may be having Mike Carrie come to the meeting to talk about his research on replacing **street light bulbs** with more efficient LED lights. Bob Henderson said he believes there may be a bill in the legislature proposing that the municipalities take over ownership of the street lights. Mark will contact Mike Carrie and ask if he can come into the next meeting.

Art Forand was recognized. He told the Board that they discovered that the sewer manhole at the corner of School Street and Quigley Lane has eroded into the basin and will need to be repaired ASAP. Hot top plants are closing the day before Thanksgiving. Art has already contacted “Dig Safe”. Bob asked that there be pictures of before and after taken on these projects for display at Town Meeting in July.

He stated that the 3 areas that were mentioned by the snowplow drivers as being too high have been taken care of, in that they shimmed around them the best they could.

On Monday they will be taking care of the issue on **McKenna Drive** where the sewer line has a dip in it. Any future issues with brush being put in the town's right of way by the landowner will be addressed. They can take a chipper in and clear everything out. This would probably take a couple of man hours. Art said they are trying to get everything "buttoned up" before winter.

Art said that he is under the understanding that the town does not own that but has a right of way on it for maintenance of the sewer line. Bob said that it is no different than any other right of way and we have a right to go in and maintain. Curbings on School Street were discussed. They are mostly hot top but should be replaced with granite which will last for many more years.

Both Ron Cunningham and Art received **the grants** they had applied for. Art will use the money for signs etc.

Snowplowing was discussed. The Board decided that they will not "micro-manage" the plowing and will give the company a chance and see how they do. So far they have not really received any complaints. Mark will talk to Ellis and tell them that we did what we could with the manholes they complained about.

Bob mentioned asking Ellis to give the town a **print-out on how much sand and salt is used**. Mark will talk to them about getting this info.

Quigley Lane and School Street – the treasurer was asked about what accounts they could be taken out of. Capital Improvement is for major repair to make something last. The manhole on Quigley is definitely a capital improvement. The work on McKenna is also a capital improvement.

There is approximately \$8700 left in the TIF fund.

Bob Henderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Aaron Cosand seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS**. Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk