

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, May 8, 2012
4:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Edward F. Gorham, Chair
Peter K. Hanley
Bob Henderson

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
John E. Larouche, Town Attorney
Howard Morang, Animal Control Officer
John Crocker, Public Works
Ronald Cunningham & Doug Ebert, Randolph Fire Department
Douglas & Delsa Mock, Residents
Gloria Fitzherbert, Resident

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Peter Hanley made a motion to go into executive session with Howard Morang per 1 MRSA §405(6)(A) for a personnel issue. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Executive Session began at 4:03 p.m. with Howard Morang and John E. Larouche (town attorney). At 4:17 p.m. the Board returned from executive session. Peter Hanley made a motion to come out of executive session, Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Chairman Edward Gorham recognized Delsa Mock who expressed her problems with the Animal Control Officer in the past.

Bob Henderson made a motion to terminate the services of Howard Morang. Ed Gorham seconded the motion. **VOTE – Mr. Gorham and Mr. Henderson for – Mr. Hanley against. Motion carried 2 – 1.** At 4:25 Howard Morang left the meeting. Mr. & Mrs. Mock also left the meeting.

Attorney Larouche reminded the Board that they must appoint an animal control officer immediately and must inform the Department of Animal Welfare that Mr. Morang is no longer our ACO. The town can appoint a temporary ACO and then advertise the position to the public.

Bob Henderson stated that the Fire Chief from Gardiner who was on the agenda was not going to be present at the meeting. Ron Cunningham and Doug Ebert left the meeting and asked to be called back when the town received a proposal from the City of Gardiner. Mr. Henderson asked that it be stated in the record that the Fire Chief from the City of Gardiner contacted him about a proposal.

John Crocker was recognized by the Board. John spoke with Ted Berry from Lisbon regarding the sewer lines on Meadowview. Berry will look at the lines with a camera before anything is done or decided.

He also stated that he has been dealing with DOT and DEP on the drain at the Sun Sun Restaurant, the State is coming down on Friday and they are considering eliminating the drain back to the park and ride and out into the river. John wants to see something in writing from them the DEP and the Federal Government regarding this.

The Board recognized Michael Carrie from the Randolph Budget Committee. He would like to suggest that the Town change their municipal elections again, this time from June to November. This would be better for the new person on board to get up to speed and be able to work better with the Budget Committee.

Michael Carrie left the meeting.

Bob Henderson made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 24, 2012 meeting. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Chris Martinez, the Animal Control Officer from Chelsea called and said that he would accept the position of “acting” Animal Control Officer for the Town of Randolph as long as necessary. Bob Henderson made a motion to appoint Chris Martinez as acting Animal Control Officer. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

The Board discussed meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2012. The Board agreed to meet on May 15, 2012 @ 4:00 p.m.. for a budget meeting only.

Peter Hanley asked if we had gotten new numbers from the Census Bureau as to the population in Randolph. The new number is 1772.

Peter stated that he understood that the Boys & Girls Club was supposed to be self-sufficient and they were given the Pray Street School for their operation. People have expressed concern about the fact that the Club charges extra for activities on top of the sum that is given by each municipality. Ingrid Stanchfield will be contacted to come in and talk to the Board during the budgeting season. Ed said that he would try to get her to come to the May 22nd meeting for discussion.

The Board members signed letters going out with regard to the ambulance uncollectibles. These will be sent to the parties concerned to try and collect payment from these individuals. Otherwise, this is absorbed by the taxpayers of the Town of Randolph.

The Board signed the **Notice and Warrant of Election for the SAD #11 School Budget Vote** and the **Municipal Election** for the Town of Randolph.

Ed Gorham read a letter from Sonny James who offered to mow and trim the Town Office for the season for free. Sonny asked for a reply in writing. All thought this was a very generous offer and will save money for the town. Ed Gorham will respond to Sonny in writing to begin immediately.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 5:02. Next meeting is Tuesday, May 15 for **budget work only**. Next *regular* meeting is Tuesday, May 22, 2012 @ 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk