

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, June 19, 2012
5:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Robert Henderson, Chair
Peter K. Hanley

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
Gregory Lumbert, Town Constable
Mike & Sally Sirois, residents

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Peter Hanley made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 13, 2012 meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Accounts payable and payroll were signed by both board members present. Also signed was the **Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User Rates** in conjunction with the June 15, 2012 sewer billing.

Bob Henderson made a motion to sign the **Treasurer's Disbursement Warrants for State Fees and the Treasurer's Disbursement Warrant for Employee Wages and Benefits**. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** These expire one year from date of execution.

The Board recognized Greg Lumbert. Several residents have expressed concern with the recent law making **fireworks** legal. Several surrounding towns and city have passed ordinances prohibiting the use of fireworks. Mr. & Mrs. Sirois are among the residents who have stated worries and their desire for an ordinance banning the use of the fireworks in Randolph. The state has some control with the new laws such as to timing.

Greg believes that the problems will just continue. The board said that they will get copies of surrounding towns' **ordinances** that have been passed or proposed and see if the board can craft an ordinance before the town meeting. Bob said that he will call MMA to see if they have a model ordinance.

Mr. & Mrs. Sirois left the meeting.

The issue of **speeding** was discussed. Greg had e-mails back and forth from the Sheriff's Department and the State Police about speeding vehicles. He said that what it comes down to, is that if they have someone available to police the speeding they will but their time is taken up with a lot of other things and their guidance is basically to hire them at between \$50 and \$70 per hour to take care of it. Bob questioned that we already pay them yearly for protection. Greg said they will come down if they can but if they are busy there will not be anyone available to catch people speeding. Greg said that Tim Roux who lives on Kinderhook has been complaining. The Sheriff called Greg and asked him about the complainant but Mr. Roux has never contacted Greg Lumbert personally.

Greg looked into "speed bumps" and found out that the City of Augusta has put a few in at the cost of \$4,000.00 per bump. Bob said that last year there was a problem with speeding on Fairview Street and School Street. There is not much that can be done for the speeding problem.

Greg has researched getting a police cruiser and hiring a part time police officer to work on things like this. Bob Henderson thinks this is a good idea to put on the town warrant to see if the townspeople want to spend the money. Greg said that the insurance would be possibly around \$800 per year. Greg said that he would be thinking about a ballpark figure of around \$20,000. Greg said he might be able to get a car through the state surplus and some of the equipment for no cost to the town. Greg will give the Board the information and Bob and Pete said that they could put this on the town meeting warrant. A car could cost

approximately \$2,000 - \$4,000. This will be discussed again at the next meeting. Greg also said that they may be able to get a grant for an officer for a year.

Greg asked the Board if they would like him to sell this idea to the Budget Committee and they agreed. Greg will write up a proposal and present it to the Budget Committee.

Greg said that he will get the paperwork for the new **Animal Control Officer** to the Board soon. Bob said that he will contact **Ross Boardman** and ask him to come in and be sworn in for the position.

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

Bob Henderson mentioned looking into a part time Town Manager. Peter Hanley did not think this was necessary.

Gloria Fitzherbert was on the agenda but could not make the meeting.

Thomas Catchings who was on the agenda regarding a sewer charge did not show up at the meeting.

The Board may meet on Tuesday, June 26, 2012 @ 5:00 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for Tuesday, July 3, 2012 @ 5:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk