

Town of Waldoboro, Maine
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Municipal Building
1600 Atlantic Highway
Tuesday, November 8, 2005 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order.

The Board of Selectmen met at the Municipal Building on Tuesday, November 08, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. to conduct town affairs. This meeting was called to order by Chairman Carleton Johnson, with a quorum present.

Members present were Ted Wooster, Delia Mohlie, Rebecca Maxwell and Chairman Carleton Johnson. Ellen Winchenbach was absent.

Staff present was Town Manager Lee Smith, Assessors Agent Darryl L. McKenney, and Administrative Assistant Mike Ducharme.

Others present were Jennifer Merritt representing the Waldoboro Business Association and residents Nicholas P. DePatsy and Frank Giustra.

From the press was Michael Colbert representing the Lincoln County News.

2. Citizen Comments. (For items not on the agenda). – *None*.

3. Public Hearing(s).

A. General Assistance Ordinance Revisions

The Board held a public hearing on amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance. There were no public comments in favor or against the ordinance revisions.

General Assistance Administrator Darryl L. McKenney explained the changes. Normally in October of each year the State adjusts three line items to the General Assistance Ordinance. First is the overall allowed amount for the number of people in the household, second is food amounts available based on current food costs, and last is the rent amount available. This year the State also made changes to the Ordinance itself. The last time changes like this was made to the Ordinance was in 1998.

For one person in a household the overall allowed amount of income increased \$23, for two people the increase was \$25, and for three people the increase was \$30. If there are more than three people in the household, the totals increased by varying amounts.

These amounts are determined by the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Also, the State of Maine reimburses 50% of the monies used by this fund. By adopting these amendments, we will keep in compliance with the Federal Government.

On the motion of Maxwell / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To table this discussion until the next meeting to review changes made to the body of the Ordinance (Vote 4-0).**

B. Restaurant Class Liquor License Renewal.

1. Nicholas DePatsy d/b/a DePatsy's Lanes & Lounge, Inc.

The Board held a public hearing on a Restaurant Class Liquor License renewal for Nicholas DePatsy, d/b/a DePatsy's Lanes & Lounge. There were no public comments on the license renewal in favor or against. Police Chief Leroy Jones recommends the renewal.

On motion of Maxwell / Wooster, the Board **Voted: To approve the Restaurant Class Liquor License renewal for Nicholas DePatsy, d/b/a DePatsy's Lanes & Lounge. (Vote 4-0).**

4. Approve Consent Calendar.

On the motion of Mohlie / Maxwell, the Board **VOTED: To approve the consent calendar as follows (Vote 4-0):**

A. Regular meeting minutes - October 25, 2005.

B. Warrants & Financial Reports:

1. General Fund Warrants 17 and 18.
2. Payroll Warrants 17 and 18.
3. Water Department Operating Warrant - NONE.
4. Water Department Capital Warrant - #5.

C. Departmental Reports.

5. Communications.

On the motion of Mohlie / Maxwell, the Board **VOTED: To accept and place on file the following correspondence (Vote 4-0):**

A. Knox-Lincoln Cooperative Extension Annual Meeting.

The Knox-Lincoln County Cooperative Extension Association in conducting its annual meeting on November 14th 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Knox-Lincoln Extension Office, 377 Manktown Rd. in Waldoboro. Commissioner Robert Spear will be the guest speaker and highlight some of Maine's recent successful agricultural programs. There will also be displays, refreshments, and a chance to meet the staff.

B. Letter from Louisa Winchenbach.

A letter from Louisa Winchenbach states that many waterfront property owners are unhappy about this year's tax bill increases. She, along with some other Dutch Neck land owners, requests an audience with the Board of Selectmen along with the Assessors' Agent. Their preference is to be placed on the November 22, 2005 agenda. This meeting has been scheduled by the Board of Assessors for November 29, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

C. Letter from Paul Smeltzer.

Cub Scout Pack 142 Den Leader Paul Smeltzer along with six cub scouts visited the Waldoboro Transfer Station in order to satisfy a requirement for their Bear Badge. Smeltzer recognized Transfer Station Operator Richard Moran for enthusiastically going above and beyond with the Cub Scout Pack on his day off.

D. Muscongus Bay Project.

The Muscongus Bay Project is conducting 'round table meetings' in order to help determine the concerns and ideas that the bay communities have in common. The meeting for our area will be held on Tuesday December 13, 2005 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Knox-Lincoln County Cooperative Extension Office. The communities which the Project includes are St. George, South Thomaston, Thomaston, Cushing, Friendship, Warren, Waldoboro, Bremen, Bristol, and Monhegan.

6. Official Action.

A. Act on Water Department Operations Contract Renewal.

The Town maintains an Operations and Management Agreement with Aqua Maine, Inc. for the operation and management of the Waldoboro Water Department. The current contract expires on December 1, 2005. Two proposals have been presented maintaining the same conditions as the current contract. The first has a 10% increase and is a 1 year contract at \$6,500 per month for routine services from December 1, 2005 to November 30, 2006. The second is a 2 year contract with a 5% increase each year equating to \$6,200 per month for routine services from December 1, 2005 to November 30, 2006 and \$6,500 per month for routine services from December 1, 2006 to November 30, 2007. This rate includes labor, transportation costs, routine utility and billing supplies, and postage.

On the motion of Johnson / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To ratify the second option which is a two year contract having a 5% increase per year (Vote 4-0).**

B. Act on Weight Limit Request for Robinson Road.

Robinson Road Property Owner Frank and Carolyn Giustra have requested a year round 8 ton load limit be posted on the Robinson Road which would allow for a class 4 medium duty truck to pass. Frank Giustra was present to explain. The 15 foot wide gravel road, which connects Old Augusta Road and Washington Road, currently is posted every spring for heavy loads. They have recently been granted a 25 M.P.H. speed limit on the road. They feel a year round weight limit posting would benefit the road because 1) the use of the Robinson Road is only necessary for the individuals residing on it, 2) the yearly maintenance costs would reduce, and 3) to improve the safety of the individuals living there due to large trucks driving on the narrow road.

On the motion of Johnson / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To take the weight limit request for Robinson Road advisement and seek additional information (Vote 4-0).**

C. Act on Maine Water Utilities Ballot.

On motion of Maxwell / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To cast the ballot for the election of 2006 Directors of the Maine Water Utilities Association for all three candidates. (Vote 4-0).**

D. Act on the MRC Board of Directors Ballot.

On the motion of Mohlie / Maxwell, the Board **VOTED: To cast the ballot for the election of 2006 MRC Director for David Chittim who was nominated by the Town of Rockland (Vote 4-0).**

E. Act on the NRCS Request for Funding.

The United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service has indicated the possibility of funding which may be used to repair the landslide area on the Medomak Riverbank on tax Map U5 Lot 1.

On the motion of Maxwell / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To submit the NRCS request for funding (Vote 4-0).**

On the motion of Mohlie / Maxwell, the Board **VOTED: To recess as the Board of Selectmen and convene as the Board of Assessors at 6:39 p.m. (Vote 4-0).**

On the motion of Maxwell / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To reconvene as the Board of Selectmen at 7:00 p.m. (Vote 4-0).**

7. Executive Session(s).

On the motion of Mohlie / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To convene in executive session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss a Philbrook Fund Application (Vote 4-0).**

A. Convene as Philbrook Fund Trustees to act on:

1. Philbrook Fund Application #06 - 03

On the motion of Maxwell / Johnson, the Board **VOTED: To assist with rental housing (Vote 4-0).**

On the motion of Mohlie / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To reconvene as Selectmen at 7:25 p.m. (Vote 4-0).**

8. Adjourn.

On the motion of Wooster / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To adjourn at 7:25 p.m. (Vote 4-0).**

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Administrative Assistant

Carleton E. Johnson
Chairman

Rebecca B. Maxwell

Theodore M. Wooster

Ellen A. Winchenbach

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