

TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

JANUARY 20, 2010

Present: Brendan Kelly
Aboul Khan
Robert S. Moore
Barry Brenner, Town Manager

10:00AM

Chairman Kelly opened the meeting at 10:00AM.

MEETING - AECOM

Bob Bell from AECOM and Curtis Slayton were present to provide a status report. Mr. Bell said the Town received bids which were favorable and very competitive. Kinsmen Corporation was the low bidder and received the bid. AECOM is the engineering company overseeing the project. The completion date is January 14, 2011 and there schedule is showing an early completion date.

Mr. Bell went through the process of what is being built. The seven water sources currently in use will go through the system to be treated. The function is to remove the arsenic, radon and manganese. The water will go from the wells directly into the plant to be treated with chemicals. He explained how the chemicals would be distributed to the water. He said there would also be an administrative building for office space and a five bay garage to house vehicles. Two new pump stations would be built and renovations of an existing pump station. There would also be another part of the project to redirect existing wells to the plant and back out. This part of the project will go out to bid in March.

Mr. Khan asked about the testing process once built. Mr. Bell explained they would do a demonstration to complete the test process and explained how this would be done.

Mr. Kelly asked if the taste of water would be noticeably different with the adding of the chlorine. Mr. Slayton said he doesn't see a huge change with the chlorine. Mr. Bell explained over time they may need to reduce the chlorine due to the raw water going out but he would need to look at it in the future.

There are no contracts to bring in the wells from Pineo Farms, this would need separate contracts. The plant is designed to handle another 1.5 million gallons per day if they chose to add additional water supplies.

Mr. Slayton said once they take ownership of the plant it would be used for water to the residents. There was discussion on taking the wells offline.

Bob Bell and Curtis Slayton left the meeting at 10:18AM.

MONTHLY MEETING - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

John Starkey was present for his monthly report.

Equipment Maintenance - The loader/backhoe is presently at Seabrook Truck Center to have the water pump replaced.

Accounts Payable - have been entered into the computer system and currently at 99% of budget so about 1% would be turned back to the general fund for 2009.

Mr. Brenner commented that they are still working on the bills for all the departments.

Solid Waste - Huge revenue for recyclables for the Town but they have seen at the end of 2009 improvements may have hit the bottom so Mr. Starkey hopes things will get better.

Harborside Park Grant - The check from the State was received in 2009 to complete the fence. Mr. Starkey was notified there would be another grant round and he would like to participate in getting more money for this project. He said it is a 50/50 match grant but he spoke to them and asked if it could be in-kind and they informed him it could. The letter of intent needs to be filed by the end of March and the final application is due in the fall of 2010. The money would not be received until 2011 but would know December 2010 if the money was coming.

Mr. Starkey said he does have a plan as to what they are looking to accomplish and he went over it (parking area, boat ramp, phasing in boardwalks/walkways, picnic tables, park benches and a gazebo).

Mr. Khan commented about the accident at 58 Railroad Avenue and a resident was very pleased with the way it was handled by the departments. He also said the employees did a very good job with the last storm and many residents commented about it.

Mr. Starkey said if anyone puts anything in the cemeteries to please anchor it good as the wind scatters everything everywhere. He knows it is not the intent but it does blow around and he likes to keep the cemeteries looking nice.

MOTION: Brendan Kelly To allow the DPW Manager
Second: Robert S. Moore to apply for the grant.
Unanimous

MONTHLY MEETING - LIBRARY

Ann Robinson was present for her monthly report.

Ms. Robinson said they had their first SKYPE meeting with an author and have had their first request for a meeting room with SKYPE.

Storytime - has begun and they now have 2 reading therapy dogs. Ms. Robinson went over some of the programs being offered in February for all ages.

Winter Olympics - will be broadcast at the Library when they are open. All are invited to come in and watch.

Ms. Robinson went over some of the new DVD's and books that were added.

Mr. Khan questioned the new website and if the Library would be included. Mr. Brenner said their site would be linked to ours.

Tax Help - will be offered starting February 1. The State service number is 211 to make an appointment with AARP.

Ms. Robinson said they would have one warrant article for the ballot this year. It is for materials at the Library.

Ann Robinson left the meeting at 10:51AM.

MONTHLY MEETING - FINANCE

Debra Knowles was present for her monthly report.

Ms. Knowles said they are in the process of getting the final numbers for December. The payroll has been reconciled and she hopes the W2's would be going out soon.

WITHDRAWAL OF CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS - \$19,088.16

Mr. Moore asked about the rate study. Mr. Brenner said it is just about complete and expects a meeting with the board in February.

MOTION: Brendan Kelly To approve and sign the
Second: Robert S. Moore withdrawal of funds.
Unanimous

ENCUMBERING OF FUNDS - \$7,200

Mr. Brenner explained the money is for the assessing department for the pictometry system in their office to assist with the valuation of property.

MOTION: Brendan Kelly To approve and sign the
 Second: Robert S. Moore encumbrance.
 Unanimous

PREVIOUS MINUTES - DECEMBER 23 PUBLIC & NON-PUBLIC & JANUARY 6 PUBLIC & NON-PUBLIC

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To adopt the minutes of
 Second: Robert S. Moore 12/23 public & non-
 Unanimous public and 1/6 public &
 non-public.

PREVIOUSLY SIGNED PERMITS

Mr. Kelly read the list of previously signed permits (see attached).

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve the permits.
 Second: Aboul B. Khan
 Unanimous

ABATEMENT

Kevin & Karen Rosencrantz - \$120

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
 Second: Aboul B. Khan abatement.
 Unanimous

WATER & SEWER WARRANT - \$65,320.77

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
 Second: Aboul B. Khan
 Unanimous

WATER SERVICE APPLICATIONS

David Deschenes - 10 Irenes Way - \$400
 Green & Co. - 3,4,8,9 & 23 Halls Way - \$400 (for each)
 Green & Co. - 44 Farm Lane - \$400

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
 Second: Aboul B. Khan water applications.
 Unanimous

SEWER SERVICE APPLICATIONS

David Deschenes - 10 Irenes Way - \$100
 Green & Co. - 3,4,8,9 & 23 Halls Way - \$100 (for each)
 Green & Co. - 44 Farm Lane

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the

Second: Aboul B. Khan sewer applications.
Unanimous

QUITCLAIM DEED - HILLSIDE CEMETERY

Carolyn Newman - Section 25 Plot 12 & 13

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
Second: Aboul B. Khan quitclaim deed.
Unanimous

RENEWAL APPOINTMENTS - HEALTH OFFICER & DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER

Mr. Brenner said this is a requirement by the State.

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
Second: Aboul B. Khan renewal appointments.
Unanimous

CYSTIC FIBROSIS SEACOAST SAFARI

Mr. Brenner said this is the New England Chapter along the coast. The Police Chief has reviewed and he has no issue with it.

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
Second: Aboul B. Khan application.
Unanimous

NEW BUSINESS LICENSE

Will-Mor Manufacturing Inc. - 153 Batchelder Road

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
Second: Aboul B. Khan new business license.
Unanimous

RENEWAL BUSINESS LICENSE

Rowe Machine Co. - 148 Batchelder Road

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve and sign the
Second: Aboul B. Khan renewal license.
Unanimous

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Mr. Brenner explained this is the warrant for the Town Meeting and it has been reviewed by Town Counsel and his comments have been added. The petition articles have been certified by the Supervisors of the Checklist and have been placed on the ballot.

The Board agreed to take up each article separately. The warrant was read into the record by Brendan Kelly.

Article 9

Mr. Brenner said the Selectmen's proposed budget was \$18 million. The amount in the article is the Budget Committee's proposed budget. The Budget Committee made recommendations in different areas. The Selectmen can take a position to recommend or not recommend this article. If they choose to recommend their budget it could be put in as a note. The Selectmen agreed to put their recommended budget in the notes section.

There was discussion over the budgets that were cut by the Budget Committee and if they had increases or were level-funded.

Article 10

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To recommend placing
Second: Aboul B. Khan this article on the
Unanimous ballot.

Article 11

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Second: Aboul B. Khan this article on the
Unanimous ballot.

Article 12

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To recommend placing
Second: Aboul B. Khan this article on the
Unanimous ballot.

Mr. Khan urges all residents to vote in favor of the union contract articles as they were negotiated satisfactory and some of the employees have not had an increase in six years.

Article 13

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Second: Aboul B. Khan this article on the
Unanimous ballot.

Article 14

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To recommend placing
Second: Aboul B. Khan this article on the
Unanimous ballot.

Article 15

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To recommend placing
Second: Aboul B. Khan this article on the
Unanimous ballot.

Article 16

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To recommend placing
Second: Aboul B. Khan this article on the
Unanimous ballot.

Mr. Khan urges all residents to vote in favor of the police articles as they did not get any new vehicles last year.

Article 17

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Unanimous ballot.

Article 18

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Unanimous ballot.

Article 19

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Article 20

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Article 23

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Article 24

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Unanimous		ballot.

Article 25

Mr. Khan commented about the easement and the danger of getting off Rocks Road onto Route 1 for the residents. For many years they have been trying to get a street light and it hasn't happened. Last year during the negotiations with the power plant it was negotiated to have an easement and a contribution of \$100K to construct the road. He said the credit should be given to Robert Moore as this was his doing and he worked very hard to get this accomplished. Mr. Moore spoke and said he hopes it will continue to get this resolved for the residents of Rocks Road.

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert S. Moore	To recommend placing
Second:	Aboul B. Khan	this article on the
Unanimous		ballot.

Article 26

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert S. Moore	To recommend placing
Second:	Aboul B. Khan	this article on the
Unanimous		ballot.

Article 27

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Unanimous		ballot.

Article 28

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Unanimous		ballot.

Article 29

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Unanimous		ballot.

Article 30

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Second:	Aboul B. Khan	this article on the
Unanimous		ballot.

Article 31

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert S. Moore	To recommend placing
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Unanimous		ballot.

Article 32

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert S. Moore	To recommend placing
Second:	Aboul B. Khan	this article on the
Unanimous		ballot.

Article 33

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert S. Moore	To recommend placing
Second:	Aboul B. Khan	this article on the
Unanimous		ballot.

Article 34

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Second:	Aboul B. Khan	this article on the
Unanimous		ballot.

Article 36

There was discussion on article 36. Town Counsel has been reviewing and will give a recommendation to the Selectmen.

Mr. Moore spoke about article 37 and having the bridge removed. He said it may end up costing the Town money to remove but it may be worth it for the safety of our residents.

Mr. Brenner said regarding article 38 which is a citizen's petition on impact fees. He received opinion of Town Counsel on this article and normally all citizens petitions go on the ballot. The letter from counsel was read and explained why the article should not be included. This is a technical exception to the law. It can only be adopted by RSA 675:4, I & II. This

article can be submitted for the 2011 Town Meeting as long as it meets the requirements of 675:4.

There was general discussion over what can happen if this article goes on the ballot and passes. The first time they charge impact fees it would be challenged and we would have a legal case.

Albert Abramson spoke about the article and he doesn't feel it should be taken off the ballot. He said it is about 1.5 to 2 million dollars to the Town in fees. The planning board has drafted an article and never placed it on the ballot. He thinks it may be beneficial to have a special town meeting on this issue.

Mr. Khan and Mr. Moore both agree that the attorney has given his legal advice and they should take it as they are not legal experts.

Article 39

There was general discussion on article 39. Mr. Brenner said this should be a capital improvement project within the next six years.

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert S. Moore	To recommend this
Second:	Aboul B. Khan	article be placed on the
Unanimous		ballot.

Article 40

<u>MOTION:</u>	Aboul B. Khan	To recommend the article
Second:	Robert S. Moore	be placed on the ballot.
Unanimous		

Article 41

Mr. Moore asked what the difference is between this article and the council on aging. Mr. Brenner explained article 32 and article 41. He said article 41 is a citizen's petition from a non-profit organization. He said they came in last year to meet with the Selectmen as they missed the deadline for citizen's petitions and asked for a Selectmen's article. The question was raised then about the differences and the Recreation Director sat down with them to attempt to work together. Nothing was heard from further until the petition. He said they do serve other communities including Seabrook. The drivers are volunteers and do not get paid.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To recommend the article
 Second: Robert S. Moore be placed on the ballot.
 Unanimous

Mr. Brenner said the warrant could not be finalized until the Budget Committee meets to vote. The Selectmen will need to recess this meeting to sign the final warrant for either Friday or Monday.

FY2010 REVISED DEFAULT BUDGET

Mr. Brenner explained the revisions that were made to the library calculations and an adjustment by the Finance Department. The new default budget is \$18,014,283.

MOTION: Brendan Kelly To approve the revised
 Second: Aboul B. Khan default budget.
 Unanimous

The meeting was recessed until Friday, January 22 at 10AM.

Approved and endorsed:

 Robert S. Moore, Clerk

Date: _____