

TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

July 1, 2009

Present: Brendan Kelly
Robert S. Moore
Barry Brenner

10:00 AM

Before opening the meeting Chairman Kelly noted the absence of committee member Aboul Khan. Mr. Khan has gone to Bangladesh to be with his mother who has taken ill.

Chairman Kelly opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

MONTHLY MEETING - WATER SUPERINTENDENT

Water Superintendent Curtis Slayton was present for his monthly report. There was general discussion about the report.

Mr. Slayton told the Board that work on the Interstate 95 Water Main Crossing was done according to DOT regulations. Mr. Slayton also explained the work and some of the process. Work should be wrapped up by the middle of July.

Mr. Moore commented on how the varied the bids we received were. Mr. Brenner explained that the total cost was below appropriation.

Mr. Slayton told the Board that plans and specifications for the new Water Treatment Facility had been put out to bid. The bid opening was rescheduled from July 8th until July 23rd. This change was due to an addendum issued at the request of the DES.

Chairman Kelly asked Mr. Slayton how many companies had shown interest. Mr. Slayton said as of June 17th, 11 companies had taken out plans.

Mr. Moore questioned what UCMR2 was.

Mr. Slayton explained that UCMR2 stands for Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Regulation 2. This is testing done by the EPA. It is required every 6 years to test for unregulated contaminants. This testing is very expensive as a certified lab has to conduct the tests and the closest is in Connecticut, with prices starting out at \$12,000. Mr. Slayton found a new company in Pennsylvania to do it for half the price. The \$6,000 needed for this testing was not in the budget.

Mr. Slayton informed the board that consumer reports and arsenic notices were sent to the public this week. By sending these notices together there was a savings in postage of \$700.

Mr. Slayton informed the board that the Water Department had received a letter from DES giving the town conditional approval for the new supplemental wells 5.1 & 5.2. The conditions are that both wells will be treated at the water treatment facility and no more than 745,740 gallons per day will be pumped total from the Old New Boston well field.

BUDGET REVIEW

Mr. Slayton says that as of June 1st his department is 2% in the black. There was a part-time employee position cut which helped in keeping on budget.

Mr. Slayton proposes imposing fees for overdue accounts. He explained that commercial and industrial business accounts have no penalty for paying their water bill late and suggests charging interest to those accounts. The water department spends approximately \$1,500.00 per year sending notices out.

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert Moore	To authorize Mr.
Second:	Brendan Kelly	Slayton to charge interest and cost for mailings.

The interest rate will be the same as the Tax Collector's rate which is 12%.

Superintendent Slayton left the meeting at 10:35 AM.

MONTHLY MEETING - WELFARE DIRECTOR

Welfare Director Bonnie Armentrout was present for her monthly report.

Between January 1st and July 1st the Welfare Office has assisted 123 people, compared to 64 last year. Although there has been an increase in interest for help the Welfare Office has only spent 13.77% of their budget so far this year.

Ms. Armentrout anticipates a rise in requests with winter coming. Mr. Moore asked Ms. Armentrout if the town locks in oil prices. Ms. Armentrout says the oil company she works with locks in prices and waives charges for emergency calls and interest.

Mr. Moore questioned the Rockingham prescription plan and Ms. Armentrout explained there is a 20% savings using the card.

Ms. Armentrout left the meeting at 10:54 AM.

MONTHLY MEETING - CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officer Paul Garand was present for his monthly report.

Mr. Garand told the Board that the number of building permits remains about the same for the years 2008 & 2009.

Mr. Garand told the Board that there was unanticipated revenue of \$121,000 from the Power Plant building permit.

There was general discussion regarding inspections and costs. Mr. Garand said last year brought in \$121,000 and this year brought in \$ 148,000.

Mr. Garand is looking to adjust health inspection and building permit fees. The increase will help cover the cost for these inspections.

Mr. Garand is also looking to increase commercial fees. At this time the town does not charge for demolition applications. He would like the town to charge \$25 - residential & \$100 - commercial for demolition permit.

It was suggested that a public hearing be held in regards to fee increases.

Mr. Garand left the meeting at 11:13 AM.

Chairman Kelly read a memo (see attached) to Board of Selectmen from Finance Office Manager Debra Knowles concerns regarding comments made at June 17th Board of Selectmen's meeting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES - 6/10/09 PUBLIC & NON-PUBLIC & 6/17/09 PUBLIC

<u>MOTION:</u>	Robert S. Moore	To adopt the minutes of
Second:	Brendan Kelly	6/10 public & non-public
Unanimous		& 6/17 public.

PREVIOUSLY SIGNED PERMITS

Solicitation - Boy Scout Troop 189 - July 18 & 19 at Sam's
Solicitation - Seabrook Lions Club - June 19 & 20 at Market Basket
Party Permit - Scott MacKenzie - 54 Washington Street - June 21, 2009

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve previously
Second: Brendan Kelly signed permits.
Unanimous

CEMETERY MONUMENT

Elmwood Cemetery

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve request for
Second: Brendan Kelly upright monument with
Unanimous stipulation no more up-
rights on lot.

WATER & SEWER WARRANT

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve water & sewer
Second: Brendan Kelly warrant in the amount of
Unanimous \$60.00.

SPECIAL RESIDENT PARKING PERMITS

Robert Diodati - 31 Quaker Lane, George Castleton - 48 Tricia
Street, & Jim Phillips - 2 Old Salt Drive

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve special
Second: Brendan Kelly parking permits.
Unanimous

YIELD TAX

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve yield tax in
Second: Brendan Kelly the amount of \$148.00.
Unanimous

ABATEMENTS

Joanne Morris - 359 Woodstock Street - \$120, Christine McGinnis
- 171 Staples Street - \$1706.76, Kyle & Amybeth Labrecque - 516
Hooksett Street - \$120, and Georgia Diamantakou - 153 South Main
Street \$75.34.

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve abatements.
 Second: Brendan Kelly
 Unanimous

QUITCLAIM DEED - HILLSIDE CEMETERY

Terri Hall - 4 plots

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve quitclaim
 deed.
 Second: Brendan Kelly
 Unanimous

HAWKERS & PEDDLERS

Kathy Plourde

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve hawkers &
 peddlers.
 Second: Brendan Kelly
 Unanimous

REQUEST FOR SEWER SERVICE

Brad & Elizabeth Peterson - 13 Page's Lane

MOTION: Robert S. Moore Not to approve sewer
 service application.
 Second: Brendan Kelly
 Unanimous

LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENT - RECREATION MINI-VAN

"Be it resolved by the Town of Seabrook, NH Board of Selectmen that the Board of Selectmen approves and authorizes the execution and delivery of tax-exempt lease/purchase agreement, together with the property schedule, by the Town Manager, who the Board of Selectmen has designated representative of the town."

MOTION: Robert S. Moore To approve lease/purchase
 agreement.
 Second: Brendan Kelly
 Unanimous

REDUCE SPEED LIMITS

The Board of Selectmen determines based on a traffic investigation conducted by the police department that the prima facie speed limit of 30 mph on Atlantic Avenue, Ocean Drive and Portsmouth Avenue is greater than is reasonable and safe under the conditions found on these streets and that pursuant to RSA 265:63 the Board of Selectmen reduces the speed limits on Atlantic Avenue, Ocean Drive and Portsmouth Avenue to 25 mph effective upon the installation of signage indicating this speed limit.

Meeting adjourned at 11:31 AM.
Minutes taken by Amy Davis

Approved and endorsed:

Robert S. Moore, Clerk

Date: _____