

MINUTES
SELECT BOARD
TOWN OF PETERBOROUGH
Tuesday, May 3, 2011 – 7:00pm
1 Grove Street, Peterborough, New Hampshire

Present: Joe Byk, Barbara Miller, Elizabeth Thomas

Also Present: Pamela Brenner, Nancie Vaihinger, Jeff King, Rodney Bartlett, Nicole MacStay

Chair Byk called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

7:00pm – Public Hearing – Acceptance of Unanticipated Moneys - \$20,000 Goyette Grant

Mr. King said that in 2010 thanks to the work of Ms. Miller, the Town received a \$20,000 grant from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation to assist with the engineering studies and requirements for the Community Center. This hearing is to formally accept the funds so that they can be expended. **Chair Byk** asked if anyone present wished to speak in favor of or against the acceptance of the grant; there were no comments.

Motion:

Chair Byk made a motion to accept the unanticipated revenue; **Ms. Thomas** seconded.

Vote:

Chair Byk, Ms. Thomas and **Ms. Miller** voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

Ms. Miller said that the Peterborough Press which was recently published and distributed by the Monadnock Ledger-Transcript was very attractive and informative. **Mr. King** said that the staff at the newspaper did a great job, and it came out very nice.

Roland Patten – Memorial Day Events

Mr. Patten said that he was here on behalf of the Patriotic Committee to explain what would be coming up. He said that 150 years ago this year the Civil War began with a shot fired on Fort Sumter. To honor the commitment of those who fought in that war, the Patriotic Committee will begin events on May 29th. There will be re-enactors present all day, including President Lincoln, General Grant, and the NH 1st, 5th and 6th Companies, and the Lafayette Artillery. We will also place a commemorative plaque for the only Civil War era Medal of Honor winner who was a native of Peterborough. **Mr. Patten** and the Board reviewed the location and times of all the events scheduled. **Mr. Patten** also announced that this celebration will be the last act of the Patriotic Committee; the planning of the Memorial Day activities will be turned over to the American Legion. The Board thanked **Mr. Patten** and also **Mr. Grant** who was not present for all the great work they have done on behalf of the town to remember the sacrifice of the soldiers of Peterborough.

Nancie Vaihinger – Employee Handbook

Ms. Vaihinger said that it has become necessary to distinguish between rules which apply to regular full- and part-time employees and those which apply to temporary and seasonal employees. The Handbook before the Board is for regular employees. These changes reflected changes in State and Federal laws.

Motion:

Chair Byk made a motion to approve the maintenance changes to the Regular Employee Handbook; **Ms. Miller** seconded.

Vote:

Chair Byk, Ms. Miller and Ms. Thomas voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

Biomass Engineering Contract

Mr. Bartlett reviewed the history of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant that the town applied for and won about a year ago to replace the Town House boilers with wood pellet boilers. To select the engineering firm, there was a qualifications-based selection process. Five sets of qualifications were received, and four firms were interviewed: Richard Monahan, Oak Point from Portsmouth, Yeaton from Littleton, and WV Engineering from Keene. The interviewing team was made up of Carol Ogilvie, Nicole MacStay and Mr. Bartlett. **Mr. Bartlett** reviewed the high points of the interviews, and stated that ultimately Richard Monahan, who interviewed with his intended partner in the project, Dan Lewis of Kohler and Lewis, were recommended. A scope and fee were developed, which came to \$19,000 through to the bidding process. **Mr. Bartlett** said that he recommends approving the scope and fee.

Motion:

Chair Byk made a motion to accept the recommendation of **Mr. Bartlett** and to approve the scope and fee submitted by Richard Monahan Associates; **Ms. Miller** seconded.

Vote:

Chair Byk, Ms. Miller and Ms. Thomas voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

There followed a discussion of the project and the broad strokes of how it is anticipated the boilers and the associated systems will be installed.

Water Resource Advisory Committee – Appointment Request

Dick Freeman, Chair of the Water Resource Advisory Committee, said that the Board has the application from Kevin Goohs as well as his resume. The Committee has unanimously recommended his appointment. He explained that Mr. Goohs scientific background will be very helpful to the committee going forward. **Ms. Miller** voiced her hesitance to appoint a non-resident to be a member of this committee, however she said that there are some grounds for an exception in that he and his wife own and operate a business in town. She said that since the election is coming up she would rather wait until the Select Board membership is settled for the next year, and then interview Mr. Goohs before making a determination. **Ms. Thomas** supported waiting until June to meet and decide on Mr. Goohs' appointment. The Board determined to take the Water Resources Advisory Committee's recommendation under advisement.

Mr. Freeman also announced that he would not be asking for reappointment to the Committee due to family matters. The Board sincerely thanked Mr. Freeman for his eight years of service to the Town of Peterborough.

Motion:

Chair Byk made a motion to appoint Mr. Freeman Professor Emeritus of the Water Resources Advisory Committee; **Ms. Thomas** seconded.

Vote:

Chair Byk, Ms. Thomas and Ms. Miller voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

Open Session Assignments

The Board reviewed the warrant articles and agreed on who would move and second each article. There was a brief discussion of the Adams Pool article.

Minutes of December 14th 2010 and January 4th 2011

Motion:

Chair Byk made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; **Ms. Miller** seconded.

Vote:

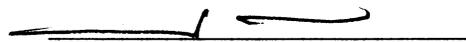
Chair Byk, Ms. Miller and Ms. Thomas voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

Ms. Brenner announced that the Rivermead expansion is moving forward. There followed a brief discussion of the impact the development would have on the town.

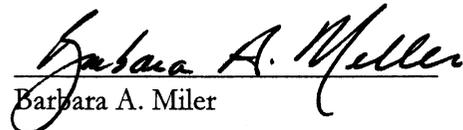
As there was no further business, **Chair Byk** made a motion to adjourn; **Ms. Miller** seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicole MacStay, Assistant to the Town Administrator

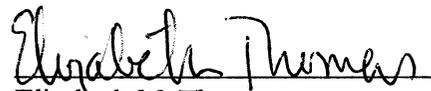
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SELECT BOARD:



Joe Byk, Chair



Barbara A. Miler



Elizabeth M. Thomas

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