

Selectmen Meeting 12-23-14

Approved Minutes

Present: Select board members Charles Moser-Chairman, Bernie O'Grady, Louise Lavoie, Jeannine

Phalon – Administrative Assistant, members of the public

Call to order: 7:31 PM

Next meeting: January 13, 2015 at 7:30PM to be held at the Mann House

Approval of Manifests:

Noted board of Selectmen signed payroll and accounts payable manifests

Approvals:

- **Motion** by **Charles Moser** to approve December 9th, 2014 Selectmen meeting minutes as amended, **seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady** vote **3-0** in the affirmative
- **Motion** by **Charles Moser** to approve December 16th, 2014 Work Session meeting minutes as amended, **seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady** vote **3-0** in the affirmative
- Signed Intent to Cut #14-293-20
- Tabled Intent to Cut #14-293-19 until Timber Bond is issued and paid.
- 2014 Municipal Equalization Data Certificate for DRA- Call Cheryl from assessing to go over form before Selectmen will sign
- 2015 Contract for The Cleaning Express- signed with no changes in price. Brenda Wiley to look into allocation of cost per department for better budgeting
- Timber Tax Warrant # 14-293-11 signed
- Plodzik and Sanderson- terms of service- signed by two of the board members and will be mailed back to auditors

New Business:

- Shawn Lawler- resident to discuss property lots L-50, 51, 59. Did not attend.
- Town election date set as Tuesday March 10th, 2015. Polls open from 11 AM to 7 PM to be held at the Town of Mason Town Hall. Town Meeting to be held on Saturday March 14th, 2015, 9AM.at Mason Elementary School Multi-Purpose room.
- Budget meetings for individual departments set for Tuesday December 30th at 7:30PM and Thursday January 8th, 2015 at 7:30PM. Jeannine to notify each department to inform department heads of meeting times.
- Public informational meeting on pipeline- Charlie Moser, chairman, suggested inviting Kinder Morgan to attend our public meeting which would give Kinder Morgan the opportunity to speak directly with the townspeople about the pipeline project. Select Person, Louise Lavoie, informed the Board that the town of Brookline wrote a public letter in support of the Conservation Commission's position on the opposition to Kinder Morgan. Joe McGuire, townsperson, suggested a similar letter be drawn up to state such position. After some discussion on the

reasons to support the town of Mason's Conservation Commission publicly along with Chairman Moser stating he would like to make sure there is fairness to Kinder Morgan to present their side, Charlie Moser drew up a letter to be sent to Kinder Morgan via certified mail.

The resolution is as stated:

The Board of Selectmen hereby adopts the findings of the Mason Conservation Commission regarding the proposed gas pipeline and associated infrastructure and opposes said project. The Board of Selectmen deny access to Kinder Morgan Tennessee Pipeline Co. and its affiliates to enter upon land owned by the Town of Mason for any reason until such time as Kinder Morgan has made a formal public presentation to the Board of Selectmen and the people of Mason, at which time the Selectmen may take further action as appropriate.

Motion made by **Charlie Moser** to accept the above resolution. **Seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady**. Vote **3-0** in the affirmative.

Public meeting to be set for Tuesday, January 6th, 2015 at 7:30PM at Mason Elementary School's Multi-Purpose room.

Letter will be sent along with resolution stated above to Kinder Morgan via certified mail. A letter will also be sent to Allen Fore, representative for Kinder Morgan, inviting them to the January 6th, 2015 public hearing on the pipeline.

- Reviewed and made some changes to proposed new sign for Town offices presented by Wally Brown. Sign will be white vinyl with black lettering to be held with 2 vinyl posts. Wally to order 2 signs, one for Town Offices and one for the Library.
- Reviewed new Timber Tax assessment worksheet adjusted by Administrative Assistant Jeannine Phalon, which will be given to loggers along with signed intent to cut as an additional reminder to complete when the Reports of Wood Cut are handed into the town.
- Letter to Ann Moser regarding timber tax bill reviewed and signed by Board of Selectmen.
- Review Building permit # 26-14- The way the application is presented, it does not show the necessary setbacks, septic plans to meet the addition as well as a frost free foundation. Only shows a slab foundation. Board would like to go over permit review process with current building inspector Eric Anderson and look into redoing permit applications to include the change of board review before the building inspector approves permits. Bernie O'Grady will call Erik.
- Reviewed attorney Bill Drescher's bill for November
- Vote to encumber funds from Highway and Fire Depts. **Motion** made by **Charlie Moser** to encumber \$48,898.78, representative of the unspent amount from Highway Road Restoration 2014. **Seconded** by **Louise Lavoie**. Vote **3-0** in the affirmative.

Motion made by **Charlie Moser** to encumber \$4,320, representative of the unspent amount from Warrant article #7, 2014 for the purchase of SCBA bottles for the Fire Dept. **Seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady**. Vote **3-0** in the affirmative

Old Business:

Informational items/Communication:

- UNH Technology Transfer Center suggested sending Highway dept. personnel to affiliated classes for training to include 2 people for each class.
- House Bill 297 reviewed and suggested to give to Trustee of the Trust Funds, George Schwenk.

- 911 Dispatch Communication form- has already been filed
- Tennessee Pipeline letter to the town reviewed
- Communication from the Conservation Commission regarding position on pipeline reviewed
- Paved Road Restoration Committee to come to January 13th Selectmen's meeting to present report to the Board. Jeannine to place on agenda and contact members to attend.

Public Communications:

- Wolfgang Millbrandt requested an immediate copy of the letter Charlie Moser drew up and the Board voted on during this meeting. Charlie Moser informed Mr. Millbrandt he may request the minutes pursuant to RSA 91-A when they are complete.
- Barbara Devore requested the Board send the letter previously stated to Kinder Morgan via certified mail.

Non Public:

- Entered into **Non-Public** at **9:30PM** per RSA 91-1:3, II(c), Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.
- Re-entered Public session at 10:23PM

Motion made by **Charles Moser** to adjourn meeting, **seconded** by **Bernie O'Grady**. Vote **3-0** in the affirmative at 10:23PM

Respectively submitted,

Jeannine Phalon

Administrative Assistant