

**TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN MEETING
April 27, 2009
CUSHING COMMUNITY CENTER**

Selectmen Present: Alton Grover, Randy Robbins, Robert Stackpole, Daniel Staples, and Robert Worthing.

Staff Present- Town Clerk Lisa Young

Board approved Warrant #15& #16

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

Selectman Robert Worthing clarified the fee for preparing the transcripts that was talked about and voted on at the last meeting. He noted that the total fee would be approximately \$491.25 more or roughly \$3,000.00 for the transcripts. Selectman Daniel Staples motioned, Robert Stackpole seconded, to amend the vote on the abatement transcripts by adding approximately \$491.25 for copying and appearance fees for a total of approximately \$3,000.00. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Selectman Daniel Staples motioned, Robert Stackpole seconded, to approve the April 13, 2009 minutes as amended. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Additions and changes to the agenda

Town Clerk, Lisa Young, noted that the second Selectmen's Meeting in May is scheduled on Memorial Day and that the Planning Board was considering scheduling a public hearing that night for the Shoreland Zone Amendments. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Town Clerk, Lisa Young, to check with Chairman Dan Remian to find out the day of the hearing. A decision will be made on when to reschedule the Selectmen Meeting at the May 11th meeting.

Selectman Robert Stackpole inquired if the posted road signs could now be removed. The Board agreed and Chairman Alton Grover will remove them.

Selectman Robert Stackpole reported that he has received a complaint that the culvert in front of Jacqueline Fetteroli's house needs to be replaced. He noted that they have complained before with no results. It was noted that if culverts are damaged the town is responsible to maintain the culverts. Chairman Alton Grover stated that Robert Haskell's also needs to be replaced, and added how the Board would like to handle cleaning out the culverts on town roads. He said in the past he has done it but maybe they should put the

work out to bid along with fixing the culverts. Selectman Robert Worthing motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to fix the culverts on Spear Mill Road, if they are town culverts, and put the work out to bid. The Board directs Selectman Robert Stackpole to write out the specifications for the work and the Board will look it over. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Unfinished Business

Water Heater- Chairman Alton Grover reported that he contacted three plumbers to get quotes for installing a new water heater in the Cushing Community Center. The three are as follows: Charles Oliver Plumbing-\$650.00, Arnold Hill-\$800-\$1,000 and Brian Haynes-\$725.00. Selectman Robert Stackpole motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to hire Charles Oliver Plumbing to install the new water heater for a fee of \$650.00. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Food Pantry Parking Lot- Richard Moody representing the Food Pantry presented the Board a third option for the parking area. Selectman Robert Stackpole passed out the third option. Mr. Moody noted that the third option adds parallel parking which would allow people to drive in and pick up their food and then drive off. He noted that this option would only require the removal of topsoil which would then be used to back fill the edges of the new parking lot. After a brief discussion on the specifics of the work required, Selectman Robert Worthing motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to direct Selectman Robert Stackpole to write up the specifications and contact local contractors that may want to do the job. The bids must be returned to the Town Office by 4:30 PM on May 11, 2009. The bids will be opened at the May 11th Selectmen's meeting. The Board would like the job to be completed by the middle of June. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Chairman Alton Grover informed the Board that an electrician would need to come to run an electrical wire to the new hot water tank. Alton said he would contact Achorn Electric if it was alright with the Board. The Board approved of this.

Health Insurance- Selectman Robert Worthing noted that the Board would be going into executive session at the end of the meeting in regard to this matter.

New Business

Sand Bids- Chairman Alton Grover read the annual Winter Sand Bids. The bids are as follows: George Hall-\$11.50/unit, Jake Barbour, Inc.-\$11.00/unit, Arthur D. Henry \$12.80/unit, and Hartland, Inc. - \$10.20/unit. Selectman Daniel Staples motioned, Alton Grover seconded, to accept Hartland, Inc. at a fee of \$10.20/unit. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Chairman Alton Grover will check with Hartland, Inc. to see if they will supply a dozer as was done last year for an additional .50/unit.

Drain for Boiler Room-Chairman Alton Grover reported that the drain in the boiler room is plugged up and acts as if it is rusted off. He recommends replacing it. Selectman Robert Stackpole agreed to write the specifications and pass out the invitation to bid to local contractors along with the Food Pantry project and have both bids due by 4:30 pm on May 11, 2009. Selectman Daniel Staples motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to put the drain replacement out to bid and state that SDR 35 plastic pipe should be used. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Appeals Board Member- Chester Knowles reminded the Board that the Board of Appeals needs one new member and two alternate members. He noted that Robert Patterson is interested in becoming a member and stated that he feels that he would do a great job. Town Clerk, Lisa Young, reported that she had talked with Mr. Patterson and had asked him to send an e-mail or a letter of his interest in becoming a member but she has not received anything yet. Selectman Daniel Staples volunteered to contact him. Chester Knowles will put the request out on the Cushing e-mail directory.

Robert Worthing motioned, Alton Grover seconded, to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6) (a) to discuss a personnel matter at 7:25 PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Selectman Robert Worthing motioned, Daniel Staples seconded, to return to the regular scheduled meeting at 8:08 PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Selectman Robert Worthing motioned, Chairman Alton Grover seconded, to adjourn at 8:09PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa M. Young
Town Clerk

