

TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN
Minutes of Meeting
September 8, 2014
Cushing Community Center

Selectmen Present: Chairman Alton Grover, Laurie Haynes, Martha Marchut, Daniel Staples and Robert Worthing

Selectmen Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Young

1. Call to Order: Chairman Alton Grover called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Approve and Sign the Warrant:

ACTION: Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Laurie Haynes, to approve Warrant # 37 & # 38.
Carried 5-0-0

3. Approve Minutes of 08/25/14:

ACTION: Selectman Laurie Haynes made a motion, seconded by Selectman Martha Marchut, to accept the minutes of the 08/25/14 meeting as amended.
Carried 4-0-1 Selectman Daniel Staples abstained due to not being at the meeting.

4. Other Business

Chairman Alton Grover reported that Jolie Hatch, member of the Recreation Committee, said they are in need of volunteers. It was recommended to put the need on Cushing Posting. She also reported that their supply building at the field may be rotting underneath; they would like to move it if possible. Chairman Alton Grover and Selectman Daniel Staples will take a look at the building.

Selectman Daniel Staples recommends that at the next town meeting that more money be put into the Town Road Account due to the need to have the town roads repaired. Chairman Grover agreed stating due to the increase in paving costs we need to save more money than we have been. Selectman Daniel Staples noted that we have not been taking in enough in excise to keep up with the roads. He recommends putting an article on the town warrant with possibly taking funds from surplus for the roads. Selectman Robert Worthing wanted to remind everyone that dipping into surplus as we need it could become habitual and noted that Cushing has been financially strong and that strength has been due to usually having a substantial surplus.

Chairman Alton Grover reported that the town has received a call from J.A.Gilbert informing him that they do not think they will be able to fix part of Hathorne Point Road and The Salt Shed parking lot as they thought this year. Chairman Grover stressed that the work needs to be done this fall before cold weather. After a brief discussion, it was decided to contact the next closest bid, which was Patterson, to find out if they could do the project and finish it by October 15, 2014. If they are not interested then the next business to contact is Performance Paving.

ACTION: Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Laurie Haynes, to direct Chairman Alton Grover to contact Patterson to find out if they are interested in the Hathorne Point Road and Salt Shed parking lot project for the price quoted and to have the work finished by October 15, 2014. If they are not interested he is to contact Performance Paving.
Carried 5-0-0

5. Unfinished Business

6. New Business

a. Open Tax Anticipation bids and approve- Chairman Alton Grover opened the following bids for the Tax Anticipation Note: The First- with a fixed interest of .80%, Bar Harbor Bank & Trust-with a fixed interest of .76%, and Camden National Bank- with a fixed interest of .74%.

ACTION: Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Martha Marchut, to accept the Tax Anticipation Bid from Camden National Bank with a fixed interest of .74%.
Carried 5-0-0

ACTION: Selectman Robert Worthing made a motion, seconded by Selectman Laurie Haynes, to authorize tax anticipation borrowing pursuant to Section 5771 of Title 30-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, and specified by Jensen, Baird, Gardner, and Henry Attorneys at Law.
Carried 5-0-0

Chairman Alton Grover announced that there will be a public hearing to discuss the merits of the proposed St. George withdrawal agreement at the RSU #13 Central Office, 28 Lincoln St. Rockland on September 18, 2014 at 6:30PM. Selectmen Daniel Staples, Robert Worthing and Martha Marchut hope to attend.

Brian Marshall of Brian's Body and Fender came to explain his intentions of leasing and perhaps purchasing property at 9 Old Lion Lane, what is now A & J Enterprises, owned by Leroy Firth. He is interested in keeping the junkyard permit by either adding his name, transferring it, or what ever is needed to keep it. He noted that he isn't planning on having a full-fledged junkyard. He is in the business of repairing, inspecting, salvage, and sales of used cars. After a brief discussion, it was decided that Chairman Alton Grover and Selectman Daniel Staples will make a couple of calls to make sure they are following the correct procedure. At this time they tentatively will schedule a public hearing preceding the September 22, 2014 Selectmen's Meeting. Either Town Clerk Lisa Young or one of the Selectman will contact Mr. Marshall if the hearing is not needed.

7. Comments from Citizens: No Comments.

8. Adjournment:

ACTION: Selectman Robert Worthing made a motion, seconded by Selectman Daniel Staples, to adjourn at 6:50 P.M.
Carried 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Young
Town Clerk