TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN
Minutes of Meeting
October 13, 2014
Cushing Community Center

Selectmen Present: Chair Alton Grover, Laurie Haynes, Martha Marchut, and Daniel Staples

Selectmen Absent: Robert Worthing

Staff Present: Acting Recording Secretary Deborah Sealey

1. Call to Order: Chair 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 accept Warrants 42 and 43.
Carried 4-0-0

3. Approve Minutes of 9/22/14:

ACTION: Selectman Laurie Haynes made a motion, seconded by Selectman Martha Marchut, to approve the minutes of the 9/22/14 meeting with changes.
Carried 4-0-0

4. Other Business:

A. Transfer Station: Selectman Marchut stated that a representative of MRC would be attending the next Transfer Station Committee meeting on November 13. They would discuss future plans with Waldoboro.

B. Davis Point Cemetery: Selectman Grover said he had received a complaint that the town was mowing too early at the cemetery to save the blueberries. Chair Grover had responded that he felt more people would prefer the cemetery to look good. Selectman Marchut said she would mention this at the Cemetery Committee meeting tomorrow.

C. Tree on Stones Point Road: Chair Grover said he had arranged for the cutting of a tree on town property that was leaning into the road near Ms. Garrison's house (formerly Mrs. Imlay's house). Ms. Garrison had objected: she wanted the tree left standing. Selectman Grover had explained that the town's insurance carrier would want it taken down. Ms. Garrison said she wanted to compromise, but Chair Grover had told her there was no way to do that because the town would be liable if the tree fell. Chair Grover had since given permission for removal of the tree.

5. Unfinished Business:

A. Rescue Squad Issues: Austin Donahue, Director of the Rescue Squad, said the squad was gradually spending more money than it was taking in. It should finish the year with $25,000 - $26,000 in hand; in contrast, it had finished 2013 with $34,000, Mr. Donahue reported that the biggest cost was for mutual aid, which was about 30% of the overall costs.

Mr. Donahue asked the Selectmen to approve a write-off policy and a poverty waiver, which would use the same form as Pen Bay Medical Center's.

ACTION: Selectman Laurie Haynes made a motion, seconded by Selectman Martha Marchut, to approve the requested poverty waiver and write-off policy.

Carried 4-0-0

B. Shed at Ball Field: Chair Alton Grover said he had been to the ball field twice today and felt the biggest problem was that the shed had been built on the ground and was now sinking in and rotting. Selectman Daniel Staples suggested the shed be lifted up and skids placed under it. A member of the Recreation Committee wanted the shed moved nearer the concession stand, though Selectman Grover did not know just where.

ACTION: Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Laurie Haynes, to try to put skids under the shed before winter.
Carried 4-0-0

6. New Business:

A. Review Building Use Request: Tammy Brooks wanted to use the Community Center gym from 7:30 A.M. to 8:30 A.M. on November 15.

ACTION: Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Martha Marchut, to accept the request from Tammy Brooks to use the gym at the community Center.
Carried 4-0-0

B. Committee Openings: Town Clerk Lisa Young wanted to know if openings on the Assessment Review Board should be listed. Also, she had asked if the board wanted more than 3 members on the Ordinance Committee. Selectman Staples said he would report on the Assessment Review Board at the next meeting. Selectmen Laurie Haynes and Daniel Staples felt there should be 2 more people on the Ordinance Committee.

7. Adjournment:

ACTION: Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Laurie Haynes, to adjourn at 6:25 P.M.
Carried 5-0-0

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Respectfully submitted,

Deborah E. Sealey