# TOWN OF CUSHING

SELECTMEN
Minutes of Meeting
April 13, 2015
Cushing Community Center

Selectmen Present: Chairman Alton Grover, Daniel Staples, Laurie Haynes, Martha Marchut, and Heidi Alley

Selectmen Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Young

1.Call to Order: Chairman Alton Grover called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

**2.** Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was recited.

3 Approve and Sign the Warrant: Chairman Alton Grover said all members had signed the warrant.

ACTION: Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, Selectman Laurie Haynes seconded, to approve

Warrant # 13 & # 14.

Carried 5-0-0

# 4.Approve Minutes of 03/23/15:

**ACTION:** Selectman Laurie Haynes made a motion, Selectman Martha Marchut seconded, to accept the minutes of the 03/23/15 meeting as amended.

Carried 4-0-1 Selectman Daniel Staples abstained due to not being at the meeting.

#### 5.Other Business:

Town Clerk Lisa Young reported that the Town of Thomaston has sent a copy of a resignation letter from Knox County Budget Committee Member Tom Mellor. They asked that if the Selectmen know of anyone that may be interested in filling the vacancy that they contact the Town of Thomaston.

Town Clerk Lisa Young wanted to thank Austin Donaghy for donating his Staples rebates and coupons to the town.

Chairman Alton Grover reported that he has received a price of \$64,999.00 from H.P. Fairfield, LLC for a body to put on the new snow plow truck. He explained that it is stainless steel and that it is a 4-season body so the town can use it for cold patch, gravel, etc. He is planning on putting the old snowplow truck out to bid with a minimum bid of \$5,000.00. He said that Freight Liner Truck will give the town \$5,000.00 for the old truck if no one meets the minimum bid.

**ACTION:** Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, Selectman Laurie Haynes seconded, to accept the price of \$64,999.00 for the 4-season stainless body from H.P. Fairfield, LLC. Carried 5-0-0

6. Unfinished Business: No unfinished business.

## 7. New Business:

Appointments: The Board of Selectmen signed the following appointments: Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director- Arthur Kiskila, Code Enforcement Officer and Plumbing Inspector- Scott Bickford, Animal Control Officer-Stephen Stimpson, Harbormaster- Austin Donaghy, Deputy Fire Chief- Peter McBean, Assistant Fire Chief- Anthony Winchenbach, Planning Board Member- Evelyn Kalloch, Tax Collector and Deputy Treasurer-Irene Vinal, Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Deputy Tax Collector- Lisa Young, Members of the Harbor Board- David

Taylor and Joshua Spear, Sealer of Weights and Measures- Robin Wiggin, and Shellfish Committee Members- Carl Taylor, and Sherri Taylor.

The Board of Selectmen approved the following Selectmen duties:

Alton Grover(Chairman): Selectmen Meetings, incoming mail, keeping board informed, agenda, newsgroups, Building and Properties Committee, GA Administrator, oversees local and state roads, legal, MMA representative and insurances.

Daniel Staples: Board representative for the Shellfish Committee, Knox County Departments, Harbor Committee, and back-up General Assistance.

Laurie Haynes: Ordinance Committee, Recreation Department, and Addressing Officer

Martha Marchut: Transfer Station, Cemetery Board, Recycling Committee, and Grant Coordinator.

Heidi Alley: Responsible to the board for employees for all departments and members of all committees, Rescue Squad, oversees office operations and internal audits of Treasurer, Town Clerk, and Tax Collector.

Chairman Alton Grover inquired if the Board wanted to approve a 3% cost of living raise for the hourly employees. Selectmen Daniel Staples questioned if this should have been done at budget time. Chairman Grover noted that it was approved last year at this time and he was told to wait until this time. Questions were asked if there was enough money budgeted for this. It was decided that the numbers will have to be looked at and to discuss it at the next meeting.

ACTION: Selectman Martha Marchut made a motion to table discussion of the 3% cost of living raise until the next meeting.

Carried 5-0-0

<u>Memorial for Veterans:</u> Town Clerk Lisa Young reported that a resident noticed that the town does not have a memorial for Veterans and that it would be nice to have one. Chairman Alton Grover noted that at one time Fales Store had a wooden sign listing the Veterans but it disintegrated; he thought what was left of it went to the Historical Society. He suggested placing a granite memorial outside by the flag pole with a thank you to all Veterans inscribed on it. Selectman Daniel Staples will contact Gene Grant, who is part of the VFW in Friendship, to see if he could come to the next meeting, if not, he will ask him what would be appropriate to put on the memorial.

<u>Copier:</u> Town Clerk Lisa Young reported that she has contacted Ricoh to set up and service the copier that was given to the town. The technician she talked to said it had not been serviced for 8 months and that before he came to set it up he wanted the town to be aware that their fee is \$184.00/hr. He said it was hard to say how much it would cost because he isn't sure of its condition but it could cost around \$450-500 dollars depending on what he finds. After a brief discussion, the Board thought it best to contact the technician again and ask if he could come and do a quick check and find out when the 184/hr starts.

**ACTION:** Selectman Laurie Haynes motioned, Selectman Daniel Staples seconded, to table making a decision on setting up the copier until Lisa can contact the technician and ask him when the hourly rate starts and if he can come to do a quick check.

Carried 5-0-0

8. Comments from Citizens: No comments.

## 9. Adjournment:

<u>ACTION:</u> Selectman Daniel Staples made a motion, Selectman Laurie Haynes seconded, to adjourn at 7:15pm. Carried 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted, Lisa M. Young, Town Clerk