

**TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN MEETING
July 14, 2008
CUSHING COMMUNITY CENTER**

Selectmen Present: Alton Grover, Robert Worthing, Randolph Robbins, Peter Haviland, and Robert Stackpole Jr.

Staff Present: Town Clerk Lisa Young

Board approved Warrant #31, #32

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM. Randy Robbins motioned, Peter Haviland seconded, to approve the June 23, 2008 meeting minutes as written. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Changes to the Agenda

The Board unanimously approved allowing Carole Leporati, and her acting group, to use the gym to present plays to the public. Any money received would be donated to the Town.

Robert Worthing reported that Eli Ellis has given him an invoice from Guy Barter for \$880.00 for mowing the Norton Cemetery. Robert inquired if the Board thought that the bill should be paid from the incidental account until the Norton Cemetery situation is resolved. He noted that the Town is responsible to mow all Veteran lots. Selectman Robert Stackpole stated that the Board did not authorize the mowing and feels it should not be paid until the situation is resolved. The situation is complicated due to years ago three families asked the town to hold money for the Norton Cemetery Association and only interest could be withdrawn to pay for mowing etc. The reason the Town got involved is because those families knew that the Town would always be here. Selectman Peter Haviland recommended to defer payment until more information was available. Robert Worthing noted that Eli Ellis, John Fales and Will Payson are researching back through old documents to find some answers.

Unfinished Business

Roof Bids- Robert Stackpole reported that he has not received any information from Architect John Hansen but will contact him again. Selectman Peter Haviland will also contact him.

Ray Sisk from Knox County Emergency Management- Emergency Management Director Arthur Kiskila informed the Board that there is not a hidden agenda in regard to the Emergency Management Ordinance. It is straight forward information that will give the next Emergency Management Director direction and strengthen the Towns' position with NIMS. Ray Sisk added that the ordinance lays out guidelines of what the Town of

Cushing expects from their Emergency Management Director and what the director expects from the Town. Robert Stackpole motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to present the ordinance to the voter's at the November Presidential Election. The motion passed.

**Board Approved 4-0-1
Randy Robbins Opposed**

Chairman of the Ordinance Committee, Eric Anderson, mentioned that it would be a good idea to have the Ordinance Committee review the ordinance. The Board agreed and directed Town Clerk Lisa Young to get a clean copy to the Ordinance Committee.

Truck Bids- Chairman Alton Grover inquired if the Board would approve putting the old snow plow truck out to bid again. He noted that someone is interested in bidding on it. Selectman Stackpole thought it would be a good idea but thought the minimum bid should be lowered since last time the Town never received any bids. Alton Grover motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to put the old snow plow truck out to bid with a minimum bid of \$8,000.00. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

New Business-

Selectman Alton Grover noted that every year Arthur Kennedy mows the sides of the Town Roads when he is in Cushing mowing for the State. He inquired if the Board would like to hire him again this year. Last year the cost to the Town was \$625.00. Randy Robbins motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to hire Arthur Kennedy to mow the sides of the town roads as long as the fee is within \$100.00 of last years price. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Chairman Alton Grover announced that he has received the bids for winter sand for the 2008/2009 year. Hartland, Inc. came in with the lowest bid at \$11.00/yd, then George C. Hall at 11.75/yd, Jake Barbour at \$12.50, and Lucas Construction at \$20.00/yd. After a brief discussion the Board directed Chairman Alton Grover to contact Hartland, Inc. and George C. Hall to inquire if the price included a dozer and a man to put the sand in the sand shed.

Comments from Citizens- At the beginning of the meeting Patrick Cardon, in regard to the Special Town Meeting, thanked the Board of Selectmen and wished them good luck.

Randy Robbins motioned, Robert Stackpole seconded, to adjourn at 7:45PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Young
Recording Secretary
Town Clerk

