

**TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN MEETING**

May 26, 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 #19& # 20

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

Selectman Daniel Staples motioned, Alton Grover seconded, to approve the May 11, 2009 minutes as amended. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Additions and changes to the agenda

Selectman Robert Stackpole, liaison to the Buildings and Properties Committee, reported that the Committee would like to replace the sink and commode in the bathroom next to the library. The fee for the sink and commode is \$200.00 plus installation. Chairman Alton Grover noted that plumbing work had just been done to fix a leak and noted that the sink and commode works fine. The Board, except Selectman Worthing, went to look at the bathroom. The general consensus of the Board is that it looks and works fine. Daniel Staples motioned, Robert Stackpole seconded, to not proceed with replacing the sink and the commode. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Selectman Robert Stackpole reported that he has looked over the culverts that need replacement on Spear Mill Road. Selectman Stackpole recommends the Town clean the shoulder up and leave the culvert as is for the Haskell property due to the problem is water running down the driveway; it is not coming from the town road. He inquired if the Town has a policy on the length of the culvert to use. Selectman Randy Robbins looked at the Town of Cushing Driveway Ordinance and read that a 30 foot culvert should be used. Selectman Stackpole will write up the specifications for the culvert bids.

Unfinished Business

Food Pantry parking lot bids/Cushing Community Center drain bids- Chairman Alton Grover announced that the prisoners may be able to do the work at the Food Pantry for the new parking lot late summer. Richard Moody representing the Food Pantry stated that if it saves money they could wait; they are just hoping it is finished before winter time. Robert Worthing motioned, Daniel Staples seconded, to have the

prisoners do the work at the Food Pantry for the new parking lot as soon as possible. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

In regard to the drain project Chairman Alton Grover noted that Dan Remian has marked out where he believes the end of the drain is and that they will need to dig further than before to find it.

Chairman Alton Grover announced that as was discussed at the last meeting the signs have been put back up and the new sign placed on Summer Road.

New Business

Department of Transportation vegetation spraying- Chairman Alton Grover announced that the State will be spraying the sides of the State Roads in Cushing. He noted that the letter he received states they will start May 18, 2009, but he has not seen them yet.

Finntown Road name change- Chairman Alton Grover announced that the Selectboard of the Town of Friendship would like to change the Finntown Road to the Colonel Stairs Road. The reason for the change is that the road runs in different directions in different municipalities and has caused confusion resulting in a public safety issue. The change would affect one resident in Cushing. Selectman Randy Robbins stated he opposes changing any road names. Selectman Robert Worthing noted that if emergency response would find it easier if the name change was made then the Board should do what they request. After a brief discussion, Robert Worthing motioned, Daniel Staples seconded, to approve changing the Finntown Road to the Colonel Stairs Road. The motion passed.

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

Bylaws Cushing Harbor Committee-Tabled discussion until next meeting.

GAT Trading- Chairman Alton Grover reported that the Town of Waldoboro signs the form for the group in regard to the gross annual tonnage. Selectman Randolph Robbins announced that he met with the Waldoboro Town Manager to discuss the transfer station.

Appointment Buildings and Properties Committee- Selectman Randy Robbins motioned, Robert Stackpole seconded, to appoint Mark Ames member of the Buildings and Properties Committee. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

The Board will schedule interviews for the Harbor Master position at 7:00PM on June 8, 2009. Selectman Daniel Staples will set up the interviews.

Chairman Alton Grover announced that the overhead door on the right side of the Fire Station has had its safety device installed, the door furthest to the left still needs to be

installed, and they found out that the middle door needs a new motor for the safety device. The middle door motor is a lot older than the others. Selectman Daniel Staples motioned, Robert Stackpole seconded, to approve purchasing a motor for the middle door at the Fire Station for a fee of \$600.00. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Chairman Alton Grover reported that in regard to oil prices and plans Grover Worcester from Kalloch Fuel was supposed to be at the meeting to explain the different plans that the Town could sign up for. Alton will check into what the presidential plan covers, and make sure the plan covers commercial boilers and he will find out how many it will cover. He will contact Mr. Worcester to see if he can come to the next meeting.

Foreclosures- The Board looked over the list of proposed foreclosures. Selectman Robert Worthing will meet with Treasurer Janet Plona to start the foreclosure procedure.

Comments from Citizens- Resident Joe Smith inquired if the Board of Selectmen would publicly endorse the proposed amendments to the Shoreland Zone Ordinance and Map that will be voted on at the June 9, 2009 election. The consensus of the Board is to not support or reject the proposal; their position is to let the people decide.

Selectman Daniel Staples motioned, Chairman Alton Grover seconded, to adjourn at 8:55PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa M. Young
Town Clerk