

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting 29 April 2014

Members present: Lynn Sweet, Jim Andersen, R. Stephen Leighton, Chairman
In attendance: Eric Aucella, Kim Bickford, Judy Dupré, Bill Lord, Rick Walker, Peter Wensberg

The meeting was called to order at 6:05PM.

Bills and payroll were reviewed and payment was approved. Correspondence was reviewed. The Board received one signed easement for the upcoming Crown Point bridge project. The Selectmen's Office will contact owners of the other abutting properties in hopes of expediting the signing of the remaining easements. The Board reviewed and signed an abatement recommendation and Current Use application.

The Selectmen signed appointment slips for the following positions:

Charles Burnham and Susan Arnold serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals
Harmony Anderson and David Perkins serving on the Conservation Commission
Scott Whitehouse serving as Fire Warden
Craig Robichaud, Erik Aucella, and Ben Bickford serving as Deputy Fire Wardens

Minutes from the April 15, 2014 Selectmen's Meeting were read and approved as written.

The Selectmen approved Mike Richard as Judy Dupré's liaison assistant to be compliant with the State's new Emergency Notification System. Judy is the Town's 911 liaison.

The tax collector gave the Selectmen an update on the current status of properties with tax liens of 2 or more years. She explained the process by which the Town will take a tax deeded property when someone lives in the house; she also outlined responsibilities of those involved in the process.

Members of the selection committee for the Fire Chief met with the Selectmen. Its members are Erik Aucella and Kim Bickford representing the Fire Department, Peter Wensberg and Bill Lord representing residents of the Town, and Barrington's Fire Chief, Rick Walker providing professional guidance. After initial introductions were made, the Board explained the process, time frame and some general points of guidance for their consideration. The applications are due May 12th and the Selectmen would ideally like to have a decision by June 1st, but realize that July 1st is more realistic. Members of the committee briefly reviewed the Fire Chief's job description and asked a few questions of the Board. Resumes received by the Selectmen's Office may be scanned and emailed to the committee or will be available at the office on Tuesday May 13th. The committee members elected to dismiss themselves to the conference room to schedule their upcoming meetings.

The Board reviewed and approved the advertisement prepared by the Town Clerk seeking a deputy. The ad will be placed in the June *Community Calendar*.

Several matters concerning the Recycling Center were discussed. Ben is checking on prices for a new shed to be placed near the electrical power to be used as an office. The building currently being used for that purpose would be then used for storage. Uniforms of some sort have been proposed – blue shirt and pants with light and heavyweight jacket. The Selectmen will investigate pricing. No decisions were made.

Howard Pearl who is running for State Senate in Strafford's district will attend the next Selectmen's meeting.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded, and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:29PM.