

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF DOVER-FOXCROFT
MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015~ 6:30 PM
DOVER-FOXCROFT MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MEETING ROOM
MINUTES**

I. OPEN MEETING

A. Opening Ceremonies

Chairman Ederly opened the meeting at 6:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Ederly, Vice Chairman Freeman Cyr, Jane Conroy, Stephen Grammont, Scott Taylor and W. Ernie Thomas. Late: Gail D'Agostino.

Also present: Town Manager, Jack Clukey.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Warrants

1. Administrative Warrant #33
2. Wastewater Warrant #34
3. Trust Fund Warrant #35
4. Payroll Warrant #36, #37
5. Gen Fund/WW Warrant #M-05-14

Resolution #119-011215

MOTION: Freeman Cyr, seconded: Thomas, and voted unanimously (6-0) to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board of Selectmen – December 15, 2014

Resolution #120-011215

MOTION: Thomas, seconded: Taylor, and voted unanimously (6-0) to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2014 Board of Selectmen Meeting. Motion passed.

IV. QUITCLAIM DEEDS

V. BOARD OF ASSESSORS/MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

VI. OPEN SESSION

A. Public Hearing

B. Open Session – Public

C. Open Session – Board of Selectmen

D. Adjustments to the Agenda
Added: New Business, E. Designated Accounts

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Manager, Jack Clukey, reported that at the public works/wastewater committee meeting of 01/07/15, the committee reviewed proposed budgets for FY 15-16.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Building Demo Bids

Town Manager, Jack Clukey, said that five bids were received for the demolition and removal of the trading barn on the town's parcel on Vaughn Road. The Board received a bid tabulation with the low bid from Eastwood Contractors from Brewer for \$6,500.00.

Resolution #121-011215

MOTION: Taylor, seconded: Conroy, to award the barn demo bid to the low bidder, Eastwood Contractors for \$6,500.00.

The Board discussed salvaging some materials such as knees to use for a local project as discussed at a prior meeting. The Town Manager said he would contact the Contractor to make arrangements to salvage some materials including the trading barn sign. It was suggested that a half dozen knees and timbers might be reused in a new structure for the park. The Board discussed the possibility that the bid amount may not stand as the same because of this request, or the possibility that the Contractor may want the town to buy back materials from the demolition.

Resolution #122-011215

MOTION: Edgerly, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (6-0) to amend the previous motion to include, "and to authorize Town Manager, Jack Clukey, to negotiate with the Contractor in order to retain some materials from the barn demolition."

Motion passed.

Vote on original motion as amended: unanimous (6-0).

B. Marina Lease

The Board discussed the 2015 lease for the town's portion of the marina and noted no changes in the rent proposed at \$1,750.00. The Board discussed an opportunity in the future to consider upgrading the docks used on the town side of the marina.

Resolution #123-011215

MOTION: Taylor, seconded: Freeman Cyr, and voted unanimously (6-0) to approve the Marina Lease with Tim Merrill & Co. for 2015. Motion passed.

C. Registrar of Voters Appointment - Corrected

Resolution #124-011215

MOTION: Freeman Cyr, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (6-0) to appoint Sheila M. Bragg as Registrar of Voters for the two year term of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016. Motion passed.

D. Maine Service Center Coalition

Resolution #125-011215

MOTION: Conroy, seconded: Thomas, and voted unanimously (6-0) to authorize membership in the Maine Service Center Coalition for 2015, and designate Jack J. Clukey, Town Manager to be appointed representative for the Maine Service Centers Coalition business meetings, and to designate David A. Johnson, Treasurer, as alternate representative. Motion passed.

E. Designated Accounts

Resolution #126-011215

MOTION: Freeman Cyr, seconded: Taylor, and voted unanimously (6-0) to carry forward the designated account balances from FY 13-14 to FY 14-15 as recommended by the town auditors. Motion passed.

F. Town Manager's Report

Town Manager, Jack Clukey, reported on the following:

In discussion with Bill Littlefield, Wastewater Facility Manager, he learned that there may be a new licensing requirement due to less flow into the plant, qualifying for a different category of license. He also said that there may be additional testing requirements.

Time Warner Cable has been asked to give the town a proposal for a franchise agreement renewal by the end of the month. The basis for the request is the newly adopted Cable TV Ordinance and the survey that was taken at the polls in November 2014. Selectman Conroy asked that the Town of Lincoln Cable TV Franchise Agreement be requested for review.

MRC is pursuing an arrangement with Fiberright to provide comprehensive waste recycling and disposal of residuals. Also that the location in Hamden would not represent any added distance for waste hauling and with plans are on track to meet the 2018 time frame, MRC will continue to keep us informed of their progress.

Phase II of the CDBG Program for the grant to GlobEco is complete, and the company has secured a location on West Main Street in the Save A Lot building to produce their wood fiber cloth product.

A copy of the County budget and tax assessment sheet for the Town of Dover-Foxcroft's assessment of \$424,114 vs \$406,040 last year was included in Correspondence. It was noted that one cause for this change is the valuation decline for the Town of Greenville.

The State budget proposes significant changes to current tax policy, particularly with regard to income tax, the homestead exemption, and tax exempt properties. The

Governor proposes to reduce income taxes and make significant changes to the homestead exemption and tax exempt properties. The Board discussed the proposed changes and potential effects on local taxpayers.

Representative Higgins has been assigned to the energy, utilities, and technology committee. He has submitted a bill to allow for the redevelopment of the hydro facility at the riverfront redevelopment project to be included in the State's Renewable Energy Policy Program. He has also sponsored a bill that would establish grants to build out the last mile of the three-ring binder with megabit speeds of 1000. This type of infrastructure is world class and would significantly improve the area's economic competitiveness.

X. CORRESPONDENCE

- MRC Annual Meeting Power point Presentation
- County Budget and Tax Assessment
- RSU 68 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, 121614
- Geoff Herman Email, Re: Gov. LePage's Proposed State Budget Review

XI. CLOSING REMARKS (If necessary and time permitting)

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Abatement Application Inability to Pay

Resolution #127-011215

MOTION: Freeman Cyr, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (6-0) to go into Executive Session per 36 M RSA §841(2)(e) to discuss an abatement application due to inability to pay. Motion passed.

Resolution #128-011215

MOTION: D'Agostino, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (6-0) to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed.

XIII. ADJOURN

Resolution #129-011215

MOTION: D'Agostino, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (6-0) to adjourn. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Town of Dover-Foxcroft Board of Selectmen

Elwood E. Edgerly, Chairman

Jane K. Conroy

Cynthia Freeman Cyr, Vice Chairman

Gail D'Agostino

Stephen G. Grammont

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