



Selectmen's Meeting
Rindge Town Office
Date: Wednesday, April 7, 2010
Time: 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Minutes
(approved 5/19/10)

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen's Forum – Susan Massey and Kim McCummings would be having an initial meeting about starting a Farmer's Market. They will come to the next Selectmen's meeting to give them the whole run down of everything for the board. The meeting is tomorrow night. Goodrich asked if that would be in conjunction with the community gardens. Massey stated that she had talked to John (name?) and that he would be at the meeting.

Keith Griffin wanted to know if in the default budget the \$5000 for the Family Festival day was still in the Recreation budget. Pini stated that at the last meeting we had discussed reallocating the money in the budget. The premise for the Department heads going into the year was that if their proposed budget had been cut lower than the default budget, that they would be expected to live with the proposed budgeted amount. Pini met with all the department heads to see if that was realistic and they revised something. She does not expect that the \$5000 would be available for the Recreation Department.

Kathy John stated that she understands that there might be some question about an issue on Lake Monomonac and stated that the MLPOA board supports the Code Enforcement Officer and the Town in it trying to make someone adhere to the Wetlands Policy. Goodrich stated that she was referring to a particular case that is before the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

McCummings wanted to know if the Board had any questions that they wanted answered by their next meeting. Barry asked if this would take place at Wellington, Massey stated that they were thinking at the Meetinghouse. Barry asked Sielicki if there was anything from a road perspective that they need to look at when putting this together in the center of town. Sielicki said that having events in the center of town creates issues. They can put up signs and the speed trailer to try and help. Cloutier stated that his only issue is trash and he could put up extra barrels if needed. Brummer asked if this would be a weekly Farmer's Market. McCummings stated that had not been decided.

Tom Coffey was wondering how much the Selectmen know about the Census in the Town of Rindge. Pini stated that she went on the Census website and it states that the Town of Rindge is at 62%. She has seen some posts on the Facebook page that people have not received their form and they should contact the census. Mr. Coffey had heard that the renumbering was not turned in properly so some people are not getting their census. Pini stated that the numbers are held by the State and were distributed to Verizon and the US Post Office.

Approval of Minutes

October 07, 2009 – Barry made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Brummer. All members were in favor.

December 16, 2009 – Brummer made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Barry. All members were in favor.

March 24, 2010 Regular & Non-Public– Barry made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Brummer. All members were in favor.

General Business

Memorial Day – Events & Parade – Errick Dubois was here to discuss this. He stated that he has met with the Police and Fire Departments. The issue is whether or not this is a town sponsored event. If it is not a town sponsored event, then (Name of committee here) have to pay \$175 per hour for the fireworks detail, if it is town sponsored then they just have to pay the employees rate, which would be a huge difference. They are finalizing the fly over and a band to come down. Pini stated that we would have to have all the volunteers sign up and be a part of the planning and the event. She sees the value in having this as a town event. Brummer stated that if there were any events that the Town would help sponsor, to him it would be Memorial Day and 4th of July. Barry thinks it is great, but the only caution is that we are in the third vote of default budget and the taxpayers have voted no on everything. If the town is spending money on the events, then we need to know how much we are spending so that she can make a better decision. Goodrich would like Pini to pull together an answer in terms of the hours of time and what the cost of it will be.

Capital Equipment Needs – Pini stated that they were going to talk about addressing the Capital Equipment needs that are not met in the budget process. The Department Heads presented a Power Point presentation. Donovan talked about Engine 2, which was slated to be replaced this year. It had a pump test last Friday and it failed. He talked with Perkins who rebuilt it in 2000 but they did not want to rebuild it then. Darley stated that they would back it being rebuilt then, but would not back it being rebuilt again due to the scaling issues that were going on inside the pump casing. It failed State Inspections. It is a 202 Truck right now, and he is working up a list of what needs to be done in order for it to pass Inspection. Right now it is on limited response and will not respond to structure fires, only to dumpster or brush fires. One of Donovan's recommendations for this truck will be to put a new pump on the truck, then next year the pump can be taken off and used for the Hose Truck. Chief Sielicki talked about his cars and 4 wheeled drive vehicle. There was discussion on the 4 Wheel drive vehicle and whether or not they were going to fix it or replace it. Cloutier talked about his vehicles and what they have cost him so far and what it will cost to fix them. Pini stated that Donovan would come back before the board in a couple of weeks with recommendations for Engine 2, Chief Sielicki would come back to the board with recommendations for the four-wheel drive vehicle and Cloutier is just going to limp along his equipment to make it through the year. Goodrich would like Pini to write another article for the Rindge Connection to summarize what we are up against.

Harassment Policy – Pini stated that back in October the Personnel committee came before the board with some revisions to the Harassment Policy. Since that time Pini and Labonté have been working with Primex to get a discount on our insurance. They had a few changes for our Harassment Policy. Pini asked Kim McCummings to incorporate this in their policy. We just need to get an approval of it. Brummer made a motion to approve the updated policy, 2nd by Barry. All members were in favor.

DI Team permission to stand at Transfer Station – Barry received an email from Robin Whitney for the DI team that is going to Knoxville, TN. They can stand by the sign outside of the Transfer Station. Barry made a motion to allow the DI Team to stand at the Transfer Station to raise funds, 2nd by Brummer. All members were in favor.

Committee Assignments – Pini is keeping this on the agenda until all of the committees are filled. We have run ads and have received some phone calls on this. Goodrich stated that the Planning Board voted last night to run an ad for alternates.

Payroll Manifest – Motion made by Brummer to accept Payroll Manifest, 2nd by Barry. All members were in favor.

Accounts Payable Manifest – Motion made by Barry to accept Accounts Payable Manifest, 2nd by Brummer. All members were in favor.

Town Administrator's Report

Ongoing Business – Pini called Andrew Bauer about the MOU and it not being signed and that their 90 days was up. She offered the dates of the 7th or the 21st, but he stated that neither of those nights works best for him or his partners. Pini suggested another meeting next week for them that might work for them. Pini will try to schedule something.

Senior housing: Next week there will be a pre-bid meeting for the General Contractors. VanDyke was the low bidder for the site work.

Jeff Seppala is graduating from the Academy on Friday night.

The Library is now online. You can go online and renew books and check out the card catalog.

Brummer has suggested trying to get everyone's email addresses to keep them informed of what is going on in the town.

Pini stated that Pat Barry would be receiving a Doctorate at Franklin Pierce's graduation on May 15th.

Motion made by Barry, 2nd by Goodrich to go into non-public session. All members were in favor. **Non –Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II.(e) Litigation**

Informational Items / Communication

Adjournment