



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

**Meeting Minutes**  
**(approved 10/20/10)**

**Call to Order** – Meeting called to order by Chairman Goodrich at 6:00pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Citizen's Forum**

**Follow-up** – Pini gave a follow up on items that were raised at the last selectmen's meeting. Lights at the ball field – Craig Fraley, Recreation Director, stated that he has not told anyone that they can not use the lights at the ball field, but asked them to use their best judgment and not to turn the lights on at 3pm like at Fenway Park. There is no written policy. He estimates the cost to be \$50 per hour to use the lights.

Fundraisers at Rt 119 & 202 – The Police Department raised \$1700 for the 911 bike ride and the Fire Department raised \$1900 for MDA.

Political signs- Pini printed off the statue 664:17 and read it for the audience. All political advertising shall be removed by the candidate no later than the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday following the election, unless the election is a primary and the advertising is for the winning candidate.

**Approval of Minutes**

**9/22/10** – Motion made by Brummer to approve the minutes of 9/22, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Goodrich. All members were in favor.

**General Business**

**Volunteer for Personnel Committee** – Pini stated that we had openings on a couple of our boards and we had a gentlemen express interest in the Board of Adjustment and the Personnel committee. Rick Sirvint was present to introduce himself to the board. Barry made a motion to appoint Rick Sirvint to the personnel committee until March 31, 2011, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brummer. All members were in favor.

**Heritage Christian School request for parking variance** – Pini stated that they have asked for this in the past and they were granted. We are not aware of any issues with this variance and the Police Chief is in favor of the variance as long as it was only on occasion. Brummer made a motion to approve the request of the Heritage Christian School for the parking variance, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barry. All members were in favor.

**Update of Town Ordinances**

**Town Commons** – Cleland stated that we are slowly bringing all of the ordinances up to date. There were no changes in this policy. He has gone over this with Chief Sielicki. Barry stated that she would like to state that this is for the Town common and the West Rindge Common. Barry made a motion to accept the updated town common policy with

the addition of the Town Common and West Rindge Common, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brummer. All members were in favor.

**Appointment of Bob Cleland to Conservation Commission** – Pini stated that we received an email from David Drouin to appoint Bob Cleland from an alternate position to full position on the Conservation Commission with a term until March 31, 2013. Motion made by Brummer to appoint Bob Cleland to the Conservation Commission, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barry. All members were in favor.

**Road Name Changes** – Pini stated that in Aug of 2004, we implemented the E-911 we renumbered the town and changed some street names. After this we received a lot of street name changes so the board decided that they would only take up road name changes once a year at the first meeting in October. We received a call from someone that was interested in changing their road name. Labonte had dug out the policy that the former board had adopted that talked about having the fire chief review the names to make sure that it wasn't similar to any other road name in town from a safety standpoint and have the historical society look at the area to see if there was any historical significance to the old name or to the area. This request came in by fax today and it has not gone through that process, but we thought we would allow them in, because they did try to make our date. They are asking that Burns Dr. be changed to either, Swan Meadow Cove, Swan Meadow Ln or Henry Ln. Goodrich wanted to take it under advisement, ask our Fire Chief and the Historical society take a look at this and get back to the board.

**Transfer Station Holiday Schedule** – Pini stated that the Transfer Station has been closed on town holidays in the past, but has caused some stir about town. We wanted to bring it before the board for discussion and consideration. Barry made the motion to allow the Transfer Station to be closed on Thurs, Nov 11<sup>th</sup>, Thurs, Nov 25<sup>th</sup>, Fri, Nov 26<sup>th</sup>, Fri, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>, Sat, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>, Fri, Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, Sat, Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brummer. All members were in favor.

**Dog Civil Forfeiture Notices** – Pini stated that we did discuss at our last meeting the number of folks that have not registered their dogs. The registrations were due in April. We are sending out the Civil Forfeiture letters, but it was suggested at the last meeting that Labonte talk to Harris and see if he was aware of any of the dogs passing away and that she reach out to the local vets and ask them if they know of any of the dogs that have passed away. We only eliminated about 10 people. Motion made by Brummer that we send out a dog civil forfeiture notices, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barry. All members were in favor.

**Farmers Market Update** – Sue Massey and Kim McCummings were present. Massey stated that Pini had asked her if she was actually planning on paying for the alcohol with her own money or the money that she collected from the farmers. Massey thought that it would come from the fees of the market. They thought that if they waived the fees for the last two weeks and just collected money to pay for the party. They didn't mean for this to be a revenue making event. They talked about having a Winter Market, but they just need to find a place to hold it. Barry made a motion that the town waive the fee of the last two weeks of the farmers market to pay for the party, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brummer. Brummer also wanted to thank the ladies for a wonderful job that they have done. All members were in favor.

**Payroll Manifest** – Barry made a motion to approve the Payroll manifest, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brummer. All members were in favor.

**Accounts Payable Manifest** – Brummer made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Manifest, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barry. All members were in favor.

## **Town Administrator's Report**

**Ongoing Business** – Pini stated that the financial group that looked over the Argent figures has requested more information from Argent. Pini has reached out to Andrew Bauer for more information and that is in process.

Rick Donovan has contacted Earl Sanford and is in the process of having the site plan reworked for the fire station proposal. He has also been working closely with Dick Isakson.

Pini received the MS-5 from the Auditors today, we needed that document in order to set the tax rate. Our tax rate setting will be late this year as the Town of Rindge and the Town of Jaffrey were doing their revaluation this year. We have wrapped ours up, but they have not held their informal hearings yet. We need their information in order to set the school tax rate. Kork Little is looking into TANS, not only because our tax bills will be late, but also because we are behind in tax collection.

Barry asked if it had been resolved as to how the handling of the school ballot is going to be dealt with. Pini stated that we will be hosting the election in the Town of Rindge, the school has offered to reimburse us for any expenses that we incur. This will be held Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup> and we will be hand counting the ballots afterward. It will be at the Rindge Memorial School from 7am – 7pm.

The Planning Board got a great return on the Economic Development surveys. They had somewhere over 600 that were returned.

Our Senior Housing project is moving along and you can really see it through the woods now that the leaves are gone. We have people coming in wanting to get their name on the list.

Fast Roads grant and high fiber – There were three questions on the survey pertaining to high speed internet and Jane has extrapolated the results of those three questions before handing the survey off. We have passed it along to Carol Munroe who has been contracted by Fast Roads to help with this project. They are going to have their consultant look at it and make a recommendation to our Telecommunications committee and The BOS on to what area should be served by this grant. We have learned recently that Fairpoint has extended their service and are on Able Rd. and Taggart Meadows.

The Emergency operations committee is working on getting a magnet out to all the citizens of Rindge with pertinent information, phone numbers and the radio station to listen to in case of an emergency.

Court Overtime – We usually pay the officers 3 hours of OT for court no matter how many hours they work. It has been brought to our attention that this may not be legal, so we are changing it to a minimum of 3 hrs and anything after that they will get paid for as well. Motion made by Barry to approve the court overtime so that the officers are being paid a minimum of 3 hours and then also being paid the additional time that they work, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brummer. All members were in favor.

**CIP Committee re: 2011 Capital Improvements Plan** – The CIP came forwarded and presented their findings for the next few years and that the town would have to save \$400,000 until 2016.

#### **Informational Items / Communication**

**COPS Grant Decision**- the Town of Rindge did not receive this grant this year. Sielicki talked to the Selectmen about how the decision is made and how

**Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II.(a) for Personnel** - Brummer made a motion to go out of public to go into non-public for personnel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barry. All were in favor.

Motion made by Barry to accept Josh Lapinsky and Sierra Knight as the afterschool program coordinator and the sub/fill in person at \$10 and \$8, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brummer. All members were in favor. Motion to go out of public session and into non-public for personnel by Brummer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barry. All members were in favor.

**Adjournment** – With nothing further, the meeting was adjourned.