

**Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes  
Board of Selectmen's Meeting Room  
June 26, 2007; 5:00 P.M.**

**Board Members Present:**

Robert J. McHatton, Sr., Chairman; Robert C. Bell, Vice-Chairman; Arthur D. Triglione, Sr.; Joan M. Gardner; Robert F. Woodward.

**Town Manager**, Mitchell A. Berkowitz was also present.

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman McHatton called the meeting to order at 5:03 P.M.

**2. Election of Officers and New Board Issues**

**a. Election Chairman and Vice-Chairman**

**Motion** was made by Mr. Bell to elect Mr. Triglione as Chairman; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Woodward.  
5/0

Mr. Triglione takes over the meeting at this point.

**Motion** was made by Ms. Gardener to elect Mr. Woodward for Vice Chairman; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bell. 5/0

**b. Schedule for Treasurer's Warrant Review**

The following is the schedule for Treasurer's Warrant Review

July – September – Mr. McHatton

October – December – Mr. Bell

January – March – Mr. Woodward

April – June – Ms. Gardner

**c. Review of Annual Town Meeting Results**

It was noted that a copy of the Town Meeting results were placed in the Selectmen's packets.

**3. Public Hearings: (None)**

**4. Approval of Minutes; June 12, 2007**

**Motion** was made by Mr. Bell to approve the minutes of June 12, 2007; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Mr. Woodward. 4 approve/0 oppose/1 abstention (*Ms. Gardner abstained as she was not at the June 12, 2006 meeting*)

**5. Public Comments; Non-Agenda Items**

Mr. Dunning commented that he felt a cut in hours at the Transfer Station would make it a lot harder for the general public to access the Transfer Station. Mr. Dunning wants to put a proposal together about where there might be room for improvement. Chairman Triglione asked if there was going to be a discussion or public hearing about the changes. Town Manager Berkowitz stated that a decision needed to be made fairly quickly. There will be a policy discussion on July 10, 2007. Mr. McHatton noted that in the past we had summer and winter hours. Further discussion ensued.

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**5. Public Comments; Non-Agenda Items CONTINUED**

**Motion** was made by Mr. McHatton to set the new Transfer Station hours at Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Gardner. 5/0

**6. Presentations and Discussions**

**a. Colin Holme, LEA, - Salmon Point Re-vegetation Plan**

Mr. Holme presented a plan to the Board of Selectmen on behalf of Lakes Environmental Association and Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District to do a watershed project within the Long Lake Watershed. They are trying to correct erosion problems, road ditching etc. They would like to work on the peninsula at Salmon Point. Mr. Holme stated that there was grant money available with a local match from the Town. The cost for the plantings will be approximately \$1,200.00. The Manager suggested to the Board that this money could come out of the Salmon Point Enterprise Fund.

**Motion** was made by Mr. Woodward to add \$625.00 to the Salmon Point Enterprise Fund for the plantings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bell. 5/0

**b. Annual ECO-Maine Update- Mahlon Johnson**

Mr. Johnson reviewed the minutes from the June 21, 2007 annual meeting to the Board.

**7. Correspondence and Other Pertinent Information**

**a. School Consolidation Meeting**

Manager Berkowitz reviewed his notes from the School Consolidation Meeting.

**b. Brickyard Hill Memorandum**

Manager Berkowitz reported that based on Police Chief Lyons memorandum a street light was not justified at this time.

**c. Beach Rule Change**

The Town Manager stated that he had received information that required a change in the beach rules. DHS now requires that all daycares have US Coast Guard certified Personal Flotation Devices on their charges when they are in pools or lakes.

This topic then led to a discussion about lifeguards and the need to review the beach policies.

**8. Town Manager's Report**

Town Manager Berkowitz reported the following:

**GPCOG ANNUAL RECOGNITION MEETING:**

On behalf of the Town I attended this annual recognition meeting. The new President will be Paul McKenney of Cape Elizabeth, Vice President is Gordon Billington of Standish and Second Vice President is Ed Suslovic of Portland. COG recognized several communities and people for their continued efforts of regional cooperation, collaboration and energy

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**8. Town Manager's Report CONTINUED**

**GPCOG ANNUAL RECOGNITION MEETING: CONTINUED**

conservation. Executive Director Neal Allen reviewed the past year, what lies ahead and announced that for the 18<sup>th</sup> consecutive year there would be no increase in the COG member dues. As an aside Paul pointed out that some 20 plus years ago the population of Portland was about 60,000 and the balance of the County was around 100,000. Today, Portland's population remains about the same but the balance of the County is now about 200,000. It is this statistic that is reflective of our own Town's growth.

**MOORING ORDINANCE DRAFTING MEETING:**

On Wednesday, June 27 at 2:00 PM we will be meeting here for review and possible further drafting of the Mooring Ordinance. Any interested person is welcome to attend.

**BID NOTICES FOR PUBLIC WORKS TRUCK SENT OUT:**

Jim Kidder has sent out to the large truck dealers an invitation to bid along with the specifications for one plow truck. The Bids are due July 5 at 1:00PM at which time they will be opened and reviewed. The intent is to ask the Select Board for a Bid Award at the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**CHANGE IN PLANNING BOARD MEETING:**

The July 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting is now rescheduled for July 10, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

**MSAD #61 FORMS COMMITTEE:**

The SAD Board of Directors has authorized the formation of a District Reorganization Ad Hoc Committee to be chaired by Mr. Kevin Hancock. Its goal is to recommend to the Board of Directors options to meet the new requirements of the state law on consolidation. The Committee is seeking a representative from the Select Board to serve on this Committee. The Committee will report their recommendations to the Board of Director's **no later than** August 6, 2007.

**PREPARATIONS FOR FIRE TRUCK:**

Over the next few weeks the Manager's Office will prepare the final bid package for the bidding of a Platform Ladder-Pumper for the Fire Department. This will be based upon the appropriations and expectation of using a lease purchase for the balance of the vehicle cost.

**COUNTY COMMISSION INFORMATIONAL MEETING:**

The County Commissioners held one of their informational meetings in Bridgton on Monday, June 25. This focused on the proposal to increase the number of County Commissioners from the current three to either 5 or 7. This was the recommendation of Redistricting Committee and is intended on creating better representation by reducing the current ration from over 80,000 to as low as 37,000 citizens for each Commissioner. While there may be pros and cons, it is clear that the County's role will be increasing in the future and the current Commissioners want to assure adequate representation and services to the County populace. More information is available through the County website: [www.cumberlandcounty.org](http://www.cumberlandcounty.org)

**YEAR END CLOSE OUT:**

A reminder that we will be closing our books for the year this Friday and that we will not be open on Saturday June 30. We will reopen for services on Monday, July 2 at 8:00 AM.

**9. Old Business:**

**a. Review, Amend and adopt the Manager's Goals/ Objectives for FY '08**

Chairman Triglione suggested that the Right of Way issue of the Fifield property be put on the Goals/Objectives list. There were a couple of items that needed to be clarified.

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**10. New Business**

**a. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval**

- Adoption of the Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget
- Adoption of the Sewer Service Charge Policy

There was a lengthy discussion about some issues involving the Town Sewer System. The Board wishes to have the Manager discuss these issues with the Water District.

**Motion** was made by Mr. McHatton to accept the sewer rate change to \$7.10 per hundred cubic feet and a penalty for non functioning meters in the amount of \$100.00 per quarter in addition to: the average of the last four quarters in which the meter was operational (if data available) or an estimate based upon the number of inhabitants and users of the building; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Woodward. 5/0

- Adoption of the Salmon Point Enterprise Budget

**Motion** made by Mr. McHatton; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Woodward to approve the amended Salmon Point Enterprise Budget. 5/0

- Approval of tax commitment 2007-2008

**Motion** made by Mr. McHatton to set the tax rate for 2007/2008 at \$11.45 per thousand; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Mr. Woodward. 5/0

- Liquor License Renewal/Victualer's License for Commons Golf Facility
- Liquor License Renewal for Shawnee Peak @ Pleasant Mountain
- Victualer's License for Bridgton Easy Riders
- Victualer's License for Delicious Licks at the Lakes
- Victualer's License for Bridgton Historical Society
- Victualer's License for Congregational Church
- Victualer's License for Sweden Volunteer Fire Association
- Application for Catered Function by Qualified Catering Organization; Churchill Events; Wedding at 96 Nawandyn Drive
- Forest Hills Annex Cemetery Deed to Lewis & Nancy Burdick  
Lot H-2B; 2 grave lot
- Road Name – Charlies Way – Charlotte Stevens
- Application for Pole Location Permit;  
Kilgore Road from approx. 1170' southeasterly of Sweden Drive; four poles

**Motion** by Mr. McHatton to approve the above licenses, deeds, road names, and permits; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Woodward. 5/0

- Approval and acceptance of the Public Works Employment Agreement

**Motion** by Mr. Bell to approve and accept the Public Works Employment Agreement and have the Chairman and Town Manager sign said Agreement; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. McHatton. 5/0

- Acceptance of the Chickadee Quilters \$200 donation.

**Motion** by Mr. Woodward to accept the donation from the Chickadee Quilters, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Gardner. 5/0

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**9. New Business CONTINUED**

**a. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval CONTINUED**

- Approval of Manager's Request for Carry Forward and Reserve funds.

**Motion** by Mr. Bell to approve the Manager's Carry Forward and Reserve Funds request, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Gardner. 5/0

- Review Proposed Training Session on July 10 for Staff  
No action needed.

- Sewer Commitment #26

**Motion** by Mr. Woodward to accept Sewer Commitment #26, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bell. 5/0

- Supplemental Commitment

**Motion** was made by Mr. Bell; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Mr. Woodward to approve the Supplemental Commitment. 5/0

**b. Legal Matters: (None)**

**c. Selectmen's Concerns**

**Vice Chairman Woodward**

Vice Chairman Woodward had concerns that plants or fencing be put up at the Highland Lake Beach Playground so that children would not just run into the road.

**Selectman McHatton**

Selectman McHatton thanked Mr. Niemy for a job well done at the Town Meeting.

The theme for the Fourth of July Parade is Circus Time; Floats will begin lining up at 10:30 A.M. There will be no parking on Main St. from 11:00 A.M. through the end of the parade.

**Motion** by Mr. McHatton to authorize the Town Clerk to issue Hawker & Peddler permits as necessary for the Fourth of July vendors, second by Mr. Woodward. 5/0

**Ms. Gardner**

None.

**Selectman Bell**

Mr. Bell brought up issues with the Skateboard Park. The Manager stated that it is on the Agenda for July 10, 2007 and he has received correspondence from Andy Madura at the school about the condition of the park. The Manager suggested inviting BRAG and the Boy Scouts to discuss the issues at the skateboard park. Mr. Triglione questioned whether the Recreation Department should be overseeing the park. After further discussion the Board decided to discuss this issue on July 10.

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**c. Selectmen's Concerns CONTINUED  
Selectman Bell CONTINUED**

Mr. Bell also asked the Manager about the dive on Highland Lake went. Mr. Kidder reported that there has been nothing added to the existing problem.

**Chairman Triglione**

Chairman Triglione questioned about how the Town can expedite repairs to the Depot St. Bridge. Mr. Kidder suggested that an engineer would need to evaluate the abutments, demolish the existing decking, and then the Town could re-deck with a weight limit. The project could possibly be finished by next summer. Mr. Cash stated that he would bring it to the Economic Development Committee to see if they can assist.

**d. Other Matters: (None)**

**10. Agendas for the Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting/Workshops  
July 10, 2007**

**11. Treasurer's Warrants**

**Motion** was made by Mr. Bell for approval of Treasurer's Warrants numbered 651, 652, 653, 780 and 781; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Gardner. 5/0

**12. Executive Session: MRSA 405.6A Discussions or considerations of a person who would reasonably expect damage to their reputation and a violation of their rights to privacy.**

**Motion** was made by Mr. Woodward to enter into executive session per MRSA 405.6A at 7:20 P.M.; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Mr. Bell. 5/0

**Motion** was made by Mr. Bell to exit the executive session at 7:39 P.M.; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Ms. Gardner. 5/0

**13. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn E. Taft  
Deputy Clerk

*Next Meeting: Regular Meeting July 10, 2007*