

**Town of Waldoboro, Maine
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Municipal Building
1600 Atlantic Highway
Tuesday, June 13, 2006 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order.

The Board of Selectmen met at the Municipal Building on Tuesday, June 13, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. to conduct town affairs. This meeting was called to order by Chairman Carleton Johnson, with a quorum present.

Members present were Rebecca Maxwell, Ted Wooster, Delia Mohlie, Ellen Winchenbach, and Chairman Carleton Johnson.

Staff present was Town Manager Lee Smith and Administrative Assistant Mike Ducharme.

Others present were Jennifer Merritt representing the Waldoboro Business Association, Mary Ellen Crowley representing Lincoln County Television, and Michael Colbert representing the Lincoln County News.

2. Citizen Comments. (for items not on the agenda). – *None.*

3. Public Hearings.

A. Liquor License Renewal Applications:

1. Jeffrey Hurd, d/b/a The Narrows Tavern

The applicant was not present to represent himself. There was no one present to speak for, against, or with neutrality of the Liquor License renewal. There was a letter of support for the liquor license renewal submitted by patron Steve Cartwright. Chief of Police Leroy Jones recommends the approval of this license due to no record of any incidents at this business.

Maxwell noted there was a patron recently who came out of the establishment stumbling and fumbling for her keys.

Mohlie commented in the future she would like to see a diagram of the building layout which may accompany the application noting that Mr. Hurd needs to play by the rules.

Wooster has heard a lot of positive comments in regards to the Narrows Tavern being a nice place to eat and gather.

Chairman Johnson officially closed the public hearing.

Mohlie would like to encourage Mr. Hurd to bring in the application on time and filled out completely next year.

On the motion of Wooster / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To approve the Liquor License renewal for Jeffrey Hurd, d/b/a The Narrows Tavern (Vote 5-0).**

4. Approve Consent Calendar.

On the motion of Maxwell / Winchenbach, the Board **VOTED: To approve the consent calendar as follows (Vote 5-0):**

A. Regular meeting minutes - May 23, 2006.

B. Warrants & Financial Reports:

1. General Fund Warrants 46, 47, 48 and 49.
2. Payroll Warrants 47, 48 and 49.
3. Water Department Operating Warrant - #65.

C. Departmental Reports.

D. Communications.

1. MMA re: Nominations to Legislative Policy Committee.

5. Committee & Departmental Reports. – None.

6. Official Action.

A. Convene as Licensing Authority for Pool Halls, Bowling Alleys & Pawnbrokers.

1. Pawnbroker License - Dennis Blanchet

The applicant was not present to represent himself. There was no one present to speak for, against, or with neutrality of the Pawnbrokers' License renewal.

On the motion of Wooster / Maxwell, the Board **VOTED: To approve the Pawnbrokers' License renewal for Dennis Blanchet (Vote 5-0).**

B. Act on Maine Municipal Bond Bank Loan Agreement for SRF Project.

On the motion of Maxwell / Wooster, the Board:

VOTED: That pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine, Title 35-A and Title 30-A, Section 5772 of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, and action of the voters of the Town at town meetings duly called and legally held on June 12, 1999, and June 14, 2001, votes of the Selectmen at a meeting held June 14, 2005, and any other applicable authority thereto enabling the Town of Waldoboro is authorized to borrow from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank State Revolving Fund

(SRF), a principal amount not to exceed Two Million Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$2,025,000) the proceeds of the loan to be used to finance improvements and upgrades to the Town's water system, including, but not limited to developing a new water source, constructing new pumping stations and water mains in Waldoboro (the "Project"), said loan to be evidenced by a General Obligation Water Bond of the Town of Waldoboro, for a term not to exceed 30 years to be executed on behalf of the Town by the Town Treasurer and countersigned by at least a majority of the Board of Selectmen and to be at such interest rate may be established by the Maine Municipal Bond Bank and approved by the Treasurer and majority of the Selectmen with such maturities, and to be on such further terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the lender and agreed to by the Treasurer and at least a majority of the Selectmen (the "Bond"). Interest on the Bond shall be taxable to the holder thereof under existing applicable taxing authorities which is determined to be in the best interests of the Town.

VOTED: That the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen or the Treasurer be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Waldoboro a loan agreement or loan resolution for the issuance of the Bond in such form and with such terms as the Maine Municipal Bond Bank shall require.

VOTED: That the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen or the Treasurer be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Waldoboro an application to the Maine Public Utilities Commission for approval to issue long-term securities for the Bond.

VOTED: That all actions heretofore taken by the officers of the Town of Waldoboro relating to the borrowing from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank and issue of the Bond and Note be, and they hereby are ratified, approved and confirmed.

VOTED: That all actions heretofore taken by the municipal officers of the Town of Waldoboro relating to the issuance of the Town's 2006 General Obligation Water Bond be, and it hereby is , ratified, approved, and confirmed.

VOTED: That the law firm of Eaton Peabody is hereby designated as bond counsel for the Town to advise the Town with respect to the issuance and sale of the Bond, and to prepare documents and render opinions as may be necessary or convenient for the purpose.

VOTED: That the municipal officers and officials of the Town are hereby authorized to execute all documents and certificates, and to take all action, including affixing the seal of the Town, as may be necessary or convenient to carry out the full intent of the foregoing votes or any one of them.

(VOTE 5-0).

C. Act to Sponsor Waldoboro Day set for June 17, 2006.

1. Appoint Waldoboro Day Committee.

2. Approve Schedule of Events.

The Board reviewed the schedule of events for Waldoboro Day as presented by the Committee. The events would commence at 7:00 a.m. on June 17, 2006 with a buffet breakfast and conclude on the same day at 11:00 p.m. with a street dance and fireworks. The Great Fireworks Display is scheduled to start at 9:00 p.m.

3. Approve Waldoboro Day Budget.

On the motion of Maxwell / Winchenbach, the Board **VOTED: To appoint Bill Blodgett, Steve Cartwright, Clinton Collamore, Jane Dagley, Norm Golden, Jim Letteney, Jane Lichtman, Valerie Newcomb, Jeff Sprague, Edward Fisher, Caren Clark, Debbie McClean, Terry Benner, Nathan Bebbler, and Joan Vannah to the Waldoboro Day Committee, approve the Waldoboro Day Schedule of Events, and approve the Waldoboro Day Budget (Vote 5-0).**

D. Review draft of revised Employee Benefits Policy.

Due to increasing health insurance costs, the Board is considering the adoption of an amendment to the employee benefits policy. This amendment would require employees who were hired before July 01, 2003 to begin sharing in the costs of health insurance. The change would potentially require employees to pay 3% of their health insurance the first year and a 3% increase annually until the employee is paying 15%. Employees hired after July 01, 2003 are already required to pay 15% of their health insurance costs.

Another change to the policy would be the addition of stipends for employees who choose not to accept the insurance coverage to encourage they get coverage elsewhere. An employee with no dependants, eligible for the Town's health insurance, and does not accept the coverage would receive a \$1,000 annual stipend. Employees who have eligible dependents but does not accept the family care would receive a \$1,200 annual stipend. Employees with dependents who neither accept coverage for their dependents nor themselves would receive a \$2,200 annual stipend.

On the motion of Johnson / Maxwell, the Board **VOTED: To approve the draft of revised Employee Benefits Policy changing the implementation of the policy to January 01, 2007 (Vote 5-0).**

E. Act on request to expand Community Services Advisory Committee to add four (4) teen representatives.

The Community Services Advisory Committee recommends the addition of four teen representatives serving in an ex-officio capacity as members of their committee. The recommendation is for the addition of 2 middle school members (from A.D. Gray or Coastal Christian School) and 2 High school members (from Medomak Valley High School or Coastal Christian School). This youth membership would fulfill the Board's goal of making the Committee representative of the entire population of Waldoboro.

Mohlie would like to see home schooled children have the opportunity to join as a representative and change the verbiage to include this. She would also like to have A.D.

Gray changed to A.D. Gray / Medomak Valley Middle School (MVMS) to accommodate the new middle school which is scheduled to be opened in 2008.

On the motion of Winchenbach / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To approve the request to expand Community Services Advisory Committee to add (4) teen representatives (Vote 5-0).**

On the motion of Mohlie / Maxwell, the Board **VOTED: To change the verbiage to allow home schools to participate and change the name A.D. Gray to A.D. Gray / MVMS (Vote 5-0).**

F. Set workshop date to discuss the following solid waste items:

1. Discuss fee schedule and PAYT options for solid waste disposal.
2. Discuss demolition landfill fee schedule.
3. Discuss policy for handling construction debris.
4. Discuss enforcement of mandatory recycling and out-of-town dumping at facility.
5. Discuss future options for the construction and demolition debris program.

The Board agreed to start discussions on these items as soon as possible so decisions could be made by the end of the year. The board feels representatives from Friendship and Cushing should be present as well as a possible presentation on 'pay as you throw' by the State.

G. Act on Langstaff Tax Settlement Agreement.

The settlement would include an abatement for 2004 taxes in the amount of 945.50 based on excess water frontage valued at \$61,000. With this settlement Langstaff agrees to dismiss an appeal pending with the Town for 2005 taxes.

On the motion of Johnson / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To accept the Langstaff Tax Settlement Agreement as written (Vote 3-2 Mohlie, Winchenbach opposed).**

H. Review Warrant for Town Meeting.

The Board reviewed all of the articles on the warrant for a final time before Town Meeting.

About Article 6, the Quarry Hill Easement question, there was some discussion. Maxwell has received many comments from people who wish to vote for this on referendum due to disabilities which prevent them from attending open town meeting but they could vote via absentee ballot. Winchenbach noticed many people who do not even know where Quarry Hill is, what is this property, and how did we acquire it. Johnson feels there is a general lack of knowledge about Quarry Hill and the proposed easement.

Johnson feels that with the recommendation to table the Quarry Hill issue there should be a date set to vote on the issue leaving time for educating the community and putting it to a referendum vote. If the vote was set for next June town meeting, informational

meetings would have to be held during the budget process which would be difficult plus he feels waiting a year is too long. Wooster added if voting was done at open town meeting there would not be as wide of a democratic demonstration.

No action taken.

I. Act on authorizing the Town Manager to make the Decision on the Fuel Bid.

The Town Manager noted the fuel bids would be in the Commissioners office on July 05, 2006 and would need to be acted upon immediately. At that point he could contact each member of the Board individually with the bids and receive their vote or the Board could authorize the Town Manager to make the decision.

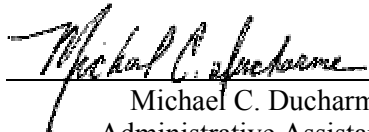
On the motion of Mohlie / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To authorize the Town Manager to make the final decision on the 2006 – 2007 fuel bid (Vote 5-0).**

7. **Executive Session(s).** – *None.*

8. **Adjourn.**

On the motion of Maxwell / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To adjourn at 07:27 p.m. (Vote5-0).**

Respectfully submitted,



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Administrative Assistant

Carleton E. Johnson
Chairman

Rebecca B. Maxwell

Theodore M. Wooster

Ellen A. Winchenbach

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