

**Town of Waldoboro, Maine
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Municipal Building
1600 Atlantic Highway
Tuesday, January 23, 2007 - 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order.

The Board of Selectmen met at the Municipal Building on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 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 Ted Wooster, Delia Mohlie, and Chairman Carleton Johnson. Ellen Winchenbach and Rebecca Maxwell were absent.

Staff present was Town Manager Lee Smith, EMS Director Scott Lash, Deputy EMS Director Dan Moran, EMS Quality Assurance Coordinator Jeff Grant, Assessors' Agent Darryl McKenney, Code Enforcement Officer John Black, and Town Clerk Linda Perry.

Residents present were William Blodgett, Carol Blodgett, Norman Golden, Louisa Winchenbach, Tom Winchenbach, Mike Poli, Edward Fisher, Ronald Miller, Connie Miller, Jane Biscoe, Elaine Johnston, Ralph Johnston, Carol Biscoe, and Mark Biscoe. Also present was Waldoboro Utility District Supervisor John Fancy.

From the press was Mary Ellen Crowley representing Lincoln County Television, Michael Colbert representing the Lincoln County News, and Art Mayers representing the Courier Gazette.

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

3. Public Hearings.

A. Special Referendum Town Meeting Items

1. Article #2 - Friendship Ambulance Merger

The proposed Interlocal Agreement for EMS Service for Friendship has received preliminary approval by the Board. This agreement outlines the rules for the Town of Waldoboro providing the Town of Friendship with ambulance services.

EMS Director Scott Lash provided a refresher overview of the proposal consistent with previous discussions. Ron Miller asked if the program would always be cost neutral. Lash replied yes, the intent is for it to be cost neutral.

There were no comments for or against the Merger. Chairman Johnson officially closed the hearing.

B. Liquor License Renewal:

1. Laura Cabot, d/b/a Laura Cabot Catering

There were no comments for, against, or in neutrality about the Liquor License renewal. Chairman Johnson officially closed the hearing.

On the motion of Wooster / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To approve the Liquor License Renewal for Laura Cabot, d/b/a Laura Cabot Catering (Vote 3-0).**

4. Approve Consent Calendar.

On the motion of Mohlie / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To approve the consent calendar as follows (Vote 3-0):**

A. Regular meeting minutes - January 9, 2007.

B. Warrants & Financial Reports:

1. General Fund Warrants 28 and 29.
2. Payroll Warrants 28 and 29.
3. Water Department Operating Warrant - #TBA

C. Departmental Reports.

D. Communications.

5. Action Items.

A. Act on Waldoboro Utility District Request for Quarry Hill Easement

Utility District Board of Trustees Member Fred Bess was present for comment. The parcel of land in question is located on Tax Map R15 Lot 24A and adjoins the Town owned property known as Quarry Hill. The landlocked property was purchased by the Utility District (WUD) about 10 years ago and they had plans to locate a treatment plant there. These plans never materialized.

Bess is requesting a 50 foot right-of-way across the Quarry Hill property to make the parcel more salable (the WUD plans to sell the property in the near future). The Quarry Hill property is in the process of having a conservation easement placed on it. There are concerns that when the conservation easement is placed on Quarry Hill, a right-of-way for the WUD property will be more difficult to obtain.

Mohlie questioned the purpose of the easement. Bess replied it would be primarily used for vehicle access and utility installation. Wooster asked if the utilities would be underground or on poles. Bess replied above ground.

Bess continued stating the request was for the shortest distance between the current right-of-

way to the property in question as to disrupt as little of the Quarry Hill parcel as possible. He also didn't anticipate there would be a building constructed on the property right off.

Mohlie expressed the Town wants the Board to preserve Quarry Hill and the right-of-way doesn't appear to support that preservation, especially utility poles. Johnson felt there should be some time to explore the possibility of an existing right-of-way and also if the above ground management would be in line with the wishes of Waldoboro.

On the motion of Mohlie / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To table this discussion and take the request under advisement (Vote 3-0).**

6. Discussion Items.

A. Demonstration of Optical Scanners Ballot Readers.

LHS Associates Representative Ken Hajjor was present for a demonstration of the Accu-Vote optical voting ballot scanner. He said the machine will scan ballots from 8 ½ x 11 to 8 ½ x 18 inches and can scan both sides. Cost to purchase the scanner would be about \$6,500 including delivery, training, on-site support for 1 year, and a 2 year warrantee. A 'rent for one time' with option to buy would cost about \$600 plus programming.

Some ongoing costs for the machine would be:

- A. Programming - \$400 per ballot per election,
- B. Ballot printing (the State would pay for State ballots),
- C. Annual maintenance cost - \$175 annually includes parts, labor, on-site support, and one preventative maintenance visit.

Programming of the optical scanner would be in advance of the election and would entail a proof being sent to the Town Clerk, if approved it would be sent to the printers, then the scanners memory card would be programmed. Hajjor feels one scanner machine would be sufficient for a town this size.

On the motion of Mohlie / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To recess as Selectmen and convene as the Board of Assessors at 7:07 p.m. (Vote 3-0).**

7. Executive Session(s).

On the motion of Johnson / Wooster, the Board **VOTED: To reconvene as Selectmen and convene in executive session for a Philbrook Fund application (Vote 3-0).**

A. Convene as Philbrook Fund Trustees to act on:

- 1. Philbrook Fund Application #07-01

8. Adjourn.

On the motion of Wooster / Mohlie, the Board **VOTED: To adjourn at 8:00 p.m. (Vote 3-0).**

Respectfully submitted,

Michael C. Ducharme
Administrative Assistant

Carleton E. Johnson
Chairman

Absent

Rebecca B. Maxwell

Theodore M. Wooster

Absent

Ellen A. Winchenbach

Board of Selectmen
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Delia W. Mohlie