Board of Selectmen Meeting May 3, 2012

Present: Andrew Bisignani, Town Administrator

Richard Lombard, Vice Chairman

Perry Barrasso, Secretary

Charles Riley, Town Counsel Michael Manning, Chairman

The meeting convened at 7:30 p.m.

OPENING REMARKS:

Mr. Manning welcomed Perry Barrasso to his first Board of Selectmen's meeting. Mr. Barrasso thanked Mr. Manning.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD:

Mr. Manning moved that Mr. Barrasso serve as Secretary, Mr. Lombard as Vice Chair, and Mr. Manning serve as chair during the upcoming year. During the discussion Mr. Manning explained that, for at least the last eighteen years, the Board had adopted a practice of standard rotation of offices for those serving as selectmen; that is, the person just elected in the last election serves as secretary, the person elected two years ago serves as vice chair, and the person who will be up for re-election, should they so choose, serves as chair.

First: Manning Seconded: Barrasso

Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor

APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

First: Barrasso Seconded: Manning

Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor

DREDGING PROJECT UPDATE:

Mr. Bisignani stated the contractor working on the Bear Pond Dredging Project will be moving all dredged material within the next week so he then can hydro seed the area and the project should come in under budget when complete.

COMPOST AREA MANAGEMENT:

Mr. Bisignani stated the Town has submitted a Notice of Intent to the Conservation Commission for the Remediation and Stockpile Removal Project located off Spring Rd. The Board agreed a plan was needed and was happy to hear of the upcoming ConCom Meeting on the 15th of May.

TARLOV DONATION:

Mr. Bisignani recognized Dr. & Mrs. Tarlov for their contribution of the forty hydrangea bushes which the DPW planted along the fence on the side of the Town Hall. The Board was in agreement and thanked everyone involved.

DOLAN INSURANCE:

Mr. Bisignani stated he received a letter from Mrs. Janet Dolan requesting she be a part of the Town's Insurance group and that she will be responsible for 100% of the premium.

First: Lombard Seconded: Barrasso

Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor

END OF YEAR PUPIL AND FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Bisignani stated that he received a copy of the Audit report on the EOY Pupil and Financial Report for the Johnson School which was conducted by Sullivan Rogers Company. Mr. Bisignani noted that recommendations were made. Mr. Manning stated that the Board will take this under advisement.

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY:

Mr. Bisignani stated that he is in contact with John Tobin of the University and would like him to meet with the Board. The Board agreed that a cordial meeting is favorable and will discuss the renovation project and other issues that may arise. Mr. Bisignani stated he will keep the Board and the citizens updated.

NORTHSIDE CARTING:

Mr. Bisignani was happy to report that the current trash removal company, Northside Carting, would like to extend our current contract at the existing rates for the next two years and suggested the Board sign the amendment he presented.

First: Lombard Seconded: Barrasso

Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor to sign the amendment to the current contract as presented.

Mr. Bisignani also noted that the Town's recycling percentage is down to 24% for the last year and suggested we take action to try and increase this over the next few years.

VARIOUS TOWN BOARD VACANCIES:

Mr. Barrasso stated that there are quite a few vacancies on various boards and committees and suggested to anyone interested to write a letter to the Town Administrator for review.

5K ROAD RACE:

Dan Soloman, a coach for the rugby team sponsoring the race, spoke in favor of the race and explained in detail the parking, route and time allotted. He also stated that he spoke to Mike O'Callahan of Kelley Greens and will work with the police and fire departments. The Board agreed to approve this request as long as the applicant complies with suggestions of local public safety authorities.

ROBERT DAMICO-AIRPLANE TRACK:

Mr. Robert Damico of Maple Ave thanked the Board for sending the letter he suggested to the appropriate FAA office about moving the current flight paths over Nahant. The Board thanked Mr. D'Amico for his interest in the Town.

RESCHEDULE SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS FOR THE SUMMER:

Mr. Lombard made a motion to move the Selectmen's meetings from Thursday to Wednesday for the summer months beginning on May 16, 2012 to August 16, 2012 and to resume to the first and third Thursday of each month beginning in September 2012.

First: Lombard Seconded: Barrasso

Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor

MIKE CONLEY:

Mr. Manning stated that the Board received a letter from Mr. Michael Conley regarding discrepancies in the Inspectional Services Department and suggested the Board take it under advisement.

First: Manning Seconded: Lombard

Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Manning stated there was no reason to make announcements due to the fact the meeting was not televised.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

Motion: Lombard Seconded: Manning

Voted: Unanimous in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

The minutes were prepared by Mary S Lowe, Administrative Assistant.

The minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 16th day of May 2012.
