Town of Newburgh

Selectmen`s Meeting Minutes

September 24, 2012

Roll Call: Stanley Smith, Claude Bolduc, Chris Yountz, Jim Hopkins, Steve Burgess

Called to Order: 7:00 pm by Chris Yountz.

A/P Warrant: None

Minutes: 9/17/12. Jim moved to accept the minutes as amended, Steve seconded. Approved 4-0.

Department Reports:

Roads – Brent and Skip did a summary of road work and costs. Skip moved to go with Phase 2 on the Lindsey Rd, with Lane Construction to do the work; seconded by Steve. Approved 5-0. The roof of the sand/salt shed has been patched. Skip moved to have Babcock Construction put gravel on the Lindsey Rd as needed, prior to reclaiming, up to $4,500. Jim seconded. Approved 5-0. Skip moved to hire Witham Paving to do the shim on the North Rd. for $1,835 and to approve Witham Paving doing 5 cross pipes, not to exceed $5,665. Jim seconded. Approved 5-0. Jim moved to accept the Lyford quote for $3,200 to seed the Johnson pit. Steve seconded. Approved 5-0. Kendal's equipment needs to be inspected in order for the plow contract to be signed.

Office Staff – The town received a Worker's Comp dividend check from MMA. Cindy will be going to an Elections training Wednesday and Thursday. She went through a training last Friday with Camden National on the Positive Pay process. Cindy and Karen would like to send Karen to an Elections training October 11 in Augusta. Claude moved to approve the training, Steve seconded. Approved 5-0. The town received a survey from Victim Services. The Board asked Cindy to fill it out and return it. Cindy has a sample ordinance exempting Active Duty military from excise tax. It has to be passed by the town. Cindy will pass it on to the Planning Board.

Assessor's Report – Herb Dickey submitted a list of recommendations. Claude moved to accept recommendation #1, but asked that Herb verify the figures first. Skip seconded. The Board reviewed the rest of the list, and one addendum, and found them all acceptable.

Old Business:

Selectmen's meeting policy (Claude) - The Board and members of the public gave feedback on Claude's proposal. He'll work to incorporate suggestions.

Code of Ethics policy (Jim) - There was some discussion. Jim moved to table. Skip seconded it.

Budget Committee (Skip) - Skip is continuing to check with people to see who

would be interested in serving.

New Business:

IRS letter (Claude) – The Board reviewed and approved a proposed letter regarding abatement of penalties for the town.

Newsletter (Claude) - The Board reviewed a one-page flyer to go out by the end of the week to announce the fall clean-up and the household hazardous waste collection. Jim moved to approve the one-page flyer. Steve seconded. Approved 5-0. Claude presented a proposal for a full-length newsletter, with a target date of November 1st. The Board discussed a proposed newsletter item regarding people emailing and calling in transactions for the staff to do in advance for them to pick up. Cindy explained why that would be impossible with electronic procedures requiring cash out at the time of the transactions.

Executive Session: Chris moved to go into Executive Session per MRSA 405(6a) at 8:45 pm. Jim seconded. Approved 5-0. Meeting called back to order at 9:34 pm. The Board has 7 candidates to interview at varying time.

Public Comment:

Motion to Recess: Chris moved to recess until Thursday at 6:00 pm. Jim seconded. Approved 5-0.