

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 6, 2015**

- 1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Kurt Youland called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Mr. Kevin Nichols, Mr. Dennis Richardson, Mr. Kurt Youland, Mr. Ralph Caldwell, Mr. Angelo Terreri, Mr. Kurt Schaub, and Mr. Toby Martin. Guest: Wendell Strout, John Arsenault, Leo Gagne, Mike Arsenault, Kelly Arsenault, Steve Bennett, Lisa Bennett, Sally Christner, Lori Richardson, Ashley Richardson, Mary Richardson, and Shawn Lavoie.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** None
- 3. Spirit of America Award – Mary Richardson:** Mary Richardson was presented the 2015 Spirit of America award for operation the Secret Santa Program, which helps children and families with food and gifts at Christmas.
- 4. Old Business: 4-1: Greater Androscoggin Humane Society Contract – Steven Dostie, Executive Director and Wendell Strout, Turner Animal Control Officer:** Steven Dostie and Wendell Strout explained the benefits of having a contract with the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society as well as the legal requirement to have a contract with an Animal Shelter. Motion and second to renew contract with Greater Androscoggin Humane Society. 3 in favor, 2 opposed.
- 5. Fire Department Report: 5-1: Regular Monthly Report:** Engine 92 going for annual service this week, portable generator has been repaired and is back on engine. Engine 91 mechanical seal replaced between pump and input shaft. Tanker 94 oil leak has been repaired. Safety works corrective action sheet: rolling stairs have been removed new rack has been constructed for SCBA bottles.
- 6. Rescue Department Report: 6-1: Regular Monthly Report:** Still having some communication issues at the station currently looking at a new atena at no cost. Lisa Bennett and Toby Martin will be meeting with Leeds this week to discuss putting on an EMR program. Motion and second to stop any further dealings with Advance Collection agency and to wipe off any uncollected debt from residents with them. Unanimous vote. **6-2: Rescue Department Staffing for fiscal 2016:** Michael Arsenault has resigned from the rescue department. Motion and second to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. € 405(6) (A) – Personnel at 7:30pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to exit Executive Session at 9:10pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second not to fill vacant rescue position with a full time positon but to staff with per diem. Unanimous vote.
- 7. Public Works Report: 7-1: Spencer Group Paving Proposal:** Motion and second to approve the Spencer Group Paving Proposal. Unanimous vote.
- 8. Town Manager’s Report: 8-1: New Treasurer:** Darlene Beaulieu has accepted the offer of employment as the Town’s new Treasurer. Darlene will replace Annette Roy who will retire at the end of July. She will be starting on July 20th. **8-2: FY 2015 Financial**

Statements: As of July 1, the Undesignated Fund Balance stands at \$1,690,000, which is both consistent with our uses of it for Rescue and the Transfer Station. **8-3: County Lawsuit:** Sally Christner was present to give a brief update on what is happening with the County Commissioner lawsuit. **8-4: 388 Upper Street:** In early May, Roger Williams issued a junkyard violation to the former Whitman place at 388 Upper Street. The notice was issued to “Heirs of Mary Samoska”, which are the apparent owners of the place following a court-authorized mortgage foreclosure. An auction sale of the property occurred in October, the sale has not yet been closed. A substantial amount of material that had been in the house and attached shed have been tossed outside. The extent of the now exposed material has been photographed, and became the basis of the violation. A court action has been filed to insulate the heir/estate from responsibility of the condition of the property, which has been referred to our attorney. **8-5: Executive Session – Treasurer Transition – pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. € 405 (6) (A) – Personnel:** Moved to end of meeting. **8-6: Bertha Place:** After consultation with Addressing Officer Ross Gagne, who discussed the matter with 9-1-1 officials, Bertha Place will this week, cease to be a named street in the Town of Turner. There are two residents that share access via a shared driveway, but each has its own independent address on Plains Road. **8-7: MOARK Letter of Appreciation:** Letter of appreciation to MOARK for the fact that there have been ZERO complaints about flies this year was approved by board to send. **8-8: Contracts:** Walsh Engineering solicited proposals for the geotechnical engineering/test work for the Tidswell Road bridge project on our behalf and the least cost proposal was for \$3,900, from S.W. Cole. Motion and second to approve the \$3,900 from S.W. Cole. 4 in favor 1 abstained. **8-9: Informational Items:** Kurt Schaub heard from the DOT project manager who is working on the North Parish Road and he reports that they will begin working on butt joints on Tuesday, July 7th, and paving will begin soon after. Richard Keene called and said Mary Briggs needs a representative from the Board for the Historical Building committee. Motion and second to appoint Ralph Caldwell, unanimous vote.

9. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept consent agenda. Unanimous vote.
Motion and second to enter into 8-5: Executive Session: at 10:00pm, unanimous vote.
Motion and second to exit Executive Session at 10:05pm, unanimous vote.
10. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 10:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM