

**Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2008**

Present were: Rosendel Gerry, Richard M. McLaughlin, E. Earle Brown, H. Bob Plausse and Cathy Hardy.

1. Citizen's Forum:

Leo Mills, Harbor Committee Chairman, wish to express his concern about the possible replacement of Ken Weed and Rick McLaughlin on the Harbor Committee.

Gerry told him that the situation was all taken care of and the appointments of Ken Weed and Rick McLaughlin were to take place under item #7.

Tracy Colby requested that the minutes be placed on the website so that interested parties could view them online instead of having to purchase them at the Town Office.

The Board thought this would be a good idea and asked that Kinney if this would be a problem.

Kinney told the Board that besides the extra duties that would be placed on the staff that he saw no problem.

McLaughlin stated that he had heard from citizens that they thought he was against the expansion of the Town Office and he wished to let everyone know that this was definitely not the case. McLaughlin stated that he simply did not think it was a good idea to place both the Fire Department Building and the Town Office expansion on the same ballot in November and that more information on costs would be necessary .

Plausse stated that he would not support borrowing any funds for the addition to the Town Office.

The other Board members expressed their views.

2. Administrator's Report:

Kinney told the Board that he had received a call from Stacey Parra asking that her community interest form be withdrawn for the Harbor Committee position.

Kinney told the Board that he had just received the contract for the Urban Rural Initiative Program from MDOT and they stated that in which they state that Lincolnville's amount will be \$52,596. Kinney apologized but stated that the form should be returned by August 1st.

Motion by Hardy, second by McLaughlin to sign and return the Urban Rural Initiative Program from the State. **Vote 5-0.**

Kinney told the Board that at their request he contacted Marnie Diffin, Islesboro Town Manager, about meeting with their Board to discuss the parking at the beach. Kinney stated that Diffin would discuss it at their next Selectmen's meeting. She asked if we could possibly meet with them in the afternoon so that they may return to the island on the ferry.

Kinney stated that he had spoken to Nate from the MDOT regarding the replacement of the Knights Hill Bridge on Route 52. The funds are available and the State will be placing the project out to bid this upcoming winter with construction being completed next summer. Kinney told the Board that the MDOT has requested that Route 52 be shut down at Slab City Road to divert traffic for approximately two weeks during construction. Kinney told the Board that he would have more information for them as the project time comes closer.

Kinney announced that there are bid specs available at the Town Office for wood for sale that was cut behind the Town Office. The bids are due back the beginning of August.

Kinney told the Board that the requests for proposals for Investment Management Services and Winter Sand have gone out and are due back August.

Kinney let everyone know that there are still vacancies on Board and Committees if anyone is interested.

Kinney let the Board know that the construction on Tucker Brook Road has commenced and the project is slated to be complete in early October.

Gerry let everyone know that a letter was sent out the Justin Blake regarding his bushes at the corner on Routes 1 & 173 and it has been forwarded to the MDOT.

3. Meetings & Announcements:

Kinney read the meeting announcements.

4. Upcoming Community Events:

Kinney read the upcoming community events.

5. Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Brown, second by Hardy to approve the meeting minutes of July 14, 2008 as written. **Vote 5-0.**

6. Harbor Ordinance Article IV Piers and Wharves Status Update:

Kinney told the Board that the Town Attorney was out of town and the Harbor Committee has set a meeting with him for Thursday, July 31 at 4:00 PM at the LIA.

Leo Mills stated that the Harbor Committee did hold a meeting and determined that there is not a great deal of difference between what the Town Attorney has drafted and the existing article in the Harbor Ordinance.

Plausse stated that this should be complete by the third week in August to be presented to the Board and asked that this be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

7. Appointment of Board/Committee/Commissions:

Motion by Brown, second by Gerry to appoint Kenneth Weed & Richard A. McLaughlin to the Harbor Committee for a term of three years. **Vote 4-0-1, McLaughlin abstained.**

8. Request to Assign Cable TV Franchise Agreement:

Kinney told the Board that Shirley Manning, President/General Manager of Lincolnville Communications had requested the Board of Selectmen's consent for an ownership change as outlined in the franchise agreement and that Ms. Manning stated that the change of ownership will not result in any change in provision of cable television service in Lincolnville.

Kinney and Plausse recused themselves for the conversation due to a potential conflict of interest.

Motion by McLaughlin, second by Brown to approve the request of Shirley Manning for an ownership change as outlined in the franchise agreement. **Vote 4-0-1, Plausse abstained.**

9. Department Head Report – Chief Young:

Ron Young, Lincolnville Police Chief, reviewed the activities of the Police Department, Emergency Management and Animal Control Officer for the past six months.

10. Status of Municipal Vehicle:

Kinney told the Board that the municipal vehicle was in for routine maintenance and Mike Eugley stated that due to rust on the rocker panels the car would not pass inspection when it comes due. Kinney asks that the Board allow him and Gerry to assess the vehicle to figure out if it is worth fixing or if it would be better to sell it.

Motion by Plausse, second by Brown to allow Kinney and Gerry to look into whether it would be worth fixing the municipal vehicle or to sell it. **Vote 5-0.**

11. Moody Mountain Road/Hope Road Intersection Project Update:

Kinney reviewed the project for everyone and explained that the MDOT is planning to start in mid September with the hopes of completing the majority of the project this fall. The final coat of pavement may need to be placed in the spring. Kinney stated that the MDOT has proposed taking out the Y intersection and putting in a T intersection and stated that the hill that hinders a driver's view will be lowered approximately 4 feet at the highest point.

Hardy asked about the big trees in front of the Clement/Buckley property?

Kinney told Hardy that the landowners have agreed with MDOT to allow them to remove two of the trees and replace them with new trees.

Colby asked if there would be blasting.

Kinney stated that the plans do not show for blasting but he would have to look further into it and asked if Colby would contact him at the Town Office.

Hardy asked that Kinney let the Board know the answer to Colby's question.

12. Award of Bids for Road Salt and Liquid Calcium Chloride:

Motion by Plausse, second by Brown to award the Road Salt bid to Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC in the amount of \$71.28 per ton delivered and \$70.00 per ton picked up. **Vote 5-0.**

Colby asked if the Board had modified the calcium chloride distribution after Phil from the Local Roads Center at MDOT spoke to the Board last year.

Kinney told Colby that the Town had substantially lowered the amount of calcium chloride used last winter and he has recommended to the Board that the liquid calcium chloride bid not be awarded as the Town should have enough.

Discussion Request from the Chairman of the Board:

Gerry told the Board that he has had a request to have the Selectmen's Discussion returned and asked what the Board thought.

McLaughlin stated that he would like to see it return but there must be guidelines like no voting.

Plausse stated that there should be a time limit.

Motion by Plausse, second by Brown to place this on the next agenda and to have the Town Administrator provide the Board with guidelines. **Vote 5-0.**

13. Treasurer's Warrant(s) – Selectmen Approve & Sign:

Motion by Plausse, second by Brown to approve & sign the Treasurer's Warrant.
Vote 5-0.

14. Adjourn:

Motion by Plausse, second by McLaughlin to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM. **Vote 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Leonard
Administrative Assistant