

AGENDA
JANUARY 8, 1997
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 12/18/96

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

OLD BUSINESS:

FORECLOSURES
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS:

SET BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
EXTERNAL SPEAKER FOR OFFICE
VETERAN'S EXEMPT FOR PAUL NASON
OTHER

MINUTES
1/8/97
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger , Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, and Sharon Rafford.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Warrants were signed by full board.

Steve asked Sharon about foreclosures and she said that would be addressed .

It was moved and seconded to dispense with the public comment period as there was no one here. Motion carried.

The board wants to get figures on winter plowing for the annual town meeting. Man hours, equipment hours, sand and salt costs, and fuel costs.

Sharon informed the board that the only way we could possibly take land was through a process called eminent domain and that involves a long period of time. MMA legal section advised us that we could offer the land owner fair market value for the land and hope he takes it or we could offer the landowner the structures at a reasonable cost. This would be in the best interest of the Town.

There has only been one student claim her scholarship so far. Sharon said she must hear from the others by 1/31/97. She asked the board what they wanted to do with the balance of the money. It was moved and seconded to award the balance to the student who sent in their semester grades if the other two recipients did not come forward. Motion carried.

Sharon told Pat that she had spoken to Laura Audibert and that there would be no stumpage for the year of 97. Pat explained that he had mentioned this before but Sharon misunderstood.

Dave Ash has been in to check on personal property and land values for the chip plant. Sharon suspects they will try to ask for an abatement for the year of 96, but explained that they would have had to come forward 186 days from the time the tax bills were sent and that time has lapsed.

Steve told Sharon to check on Aroostook Rds. to find out if they are being taxed on all the buildings that are on their lot.

Sharon asked the board the set a time and date for the Budget meeting. It was moved and seconded to have the Budget meeting Feb. 14th on a Friday at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Sharon told the board that the reason Russell could not get back to the office with the radio was because it was

impossible to hear him from the office. Herb and Sharon had contacted Kevin Robinson to see if we could have an external speaker set up. He got back to us with a quote on a phone receiver which would eliminate us from having to get up and go answer him from the fire dept radio. This would costs approx. 350.00 . Sharon said she does not need this and wants just an external speaker. Board agreed. Some of the board members even offered to install it.

It was moved and seconded to give Paul Nason his Veteran's Exempt. Motion carried.

Sharon told the board that Bob Boutot had approached her and asked her if he could have 2 of the patches on the old police uniforms. He had designed them and he would just like to have them as a keep sake. After much discussion it was voted not to do this and to keep these patches as Town memorabilia. It was also mentioned that if they did this more people would come in and ask for other items and this would not be fair to give some things away and not others.

Sharon was asked to check on fuel bills to see if we can take some of the costs of the fuel out of the Equipment and repair for the garage.

It was mentioned that on the 16th the board had a working budget meeting at 7:00.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
1/24/97
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 1/8/97

SIGN WARRANTS

SIGN ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT FOR DEAN'S MOTOR LODGE

OLD BUSINESS:

QUOTES ON LAWN MOWER
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

MEETING WITH SCHOOL ON 1/27/97
OTHER

MINUTES
1/24/97
3:00 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Gloria Curtis, Pat Raymond and Sharon Rafford.

Let these minutes reflect that a working budget meeting was held on the 16th of January and the board did not finish. The meeting lasted 3 hrs. and will be continued on the 5th of February. Those present at this meeting were the full board Sharon Rafford and Sue Beaulier.

Warrants were signed by full board.

It was moved and seconded to sign the entertainment permit for Dean's Motor Lodge. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of 1/8/97 as written. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that Diane Michaud had held the position of planning board secretary for 1.5 years, therefore, the Town owes her \$450.00. It was moved and seconded to give her this amount. Motion carried.

Sharon presented the board with the different quotes on a new lawn mower. After much discussion it was moved and seconded to purchase the 325 from John Deere at \$3750.00 this including a trade in of at least \$1000.00. If Theriault Tire would not give us the \$1000.00 for the trade-in it was also stated that we just purchase the replacement deck. Motion carried.

The board also wants Sharon to look into purchasing a bush cutter similar to the one A.J. Soucy bought from Dana's Small engine. If this serves our needs get it.

Sharon distributed the draft copy of the Cable T V 's franchise agreement. Sharon stated that she had just received it that day but just glancing at it there do not seem to be any changes in site. Sharon asked the board to take their copies home and she would make up copies for the committee. The board wants to meet with the committee.

Sharon told the board that the School district was holding an informal meeting on the 27th and wanted to know who would be willing to go with her. Steve will be working nights but Pat and Gloria both agreed to go.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting 4:30 p.m. 1.5 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
2/5/97
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 1/24/97

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

OLD BUSINESS:

LAWN TRACTOR
BUSH CUTTER
CABLE T V
SCHOOL MEETING
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS:

NOMINATION PAPERS
CORRESPONDENCE
OTHER
BUDGET WORK

MINUTES
2/5/97
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Gloria Curtis, Pat Raymond, and Sharon Rafford.

It was moved and seconded to accept minutes of 1/24/97 as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that the lawn tractor and the bush cutter was purchased.
Sharon told the board that she had asked the Cable TV committee to come to the March 5 meeting to discuss the draft franchise and what we will be doing.

At this time Sharon expressed to the board that she had some concerns about the situation concerning the school and that she was setting up a meeting with Terry Despres, superintendent of MSAD#32. Find out what the area towns can do to help.

Sharon had speaker put in for the public works radio.

It was moved and seconded to change the time limit for nomination papers to be taken out and filed for the special election of a school board member. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to send a letter of support concerning the opposition of the pig farm that a company from Canada is trying to establish in T17R5, and to support Senator Judy Paradis's bill #RR2370. Motion carried.

At this time the regular meeting was adjourned and the board worked on the annual budget. meeting ended at 10:00 p.m. 3hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
MARCH 5, 1997
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 2/5/97 THE MEETING FOR 2/21/97 WAS
CANCELED DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM.

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS

CABLE TV FRANCHISE
RECREATION/ANIMAL CONTROL -- AMY COLLINS
MEETING WITH TERRY DESPRES -- WHAT WE CAN DO
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

SIGN ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT
SIGN QUIT CLAIM DEED
ANNUAL AUDIT
PLANNING BOARD -- WHAT TO DO WITH MONEY
OTHER

MINUTES
MARCH 5, 1997
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Pat Raymond, second selectperson, Stephen Belanger was necessarily absent. Those present were Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, Sharon Rafford, and the Cable TV Advisory Board, Kathy Gagnon, Adrian Belanger, Wilsa Robertson, Jim Dumond and Amy Collins ACO.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of Feb. 5, 1997 as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion. Motion carried.

At this time the cable tv comm. and the board went over the draft franchise for the cable tv. Many concerns were raised and both boards felt that the draft that had been sent to us was not in the best interest of the Town. Have Sharon send a certified letter to the companies top personnel with our concerns. A copy of the letter included with these minutes.

Amy Collins requested that the rec. dept put on a gymnastics program. She would supervise the program and have an instructor from Presque Isle, Denise Green, come in to teach it. The cost of the program would be \$250.00/8 children. She would run a second program if there was enough interest. It was moved and seconded to allow Amy to run this program. Motion carried.

Amy informed the board that she had a situation concerning Animal Control. Sharon Russell asked the Town if they would waive the registration fees because of poverty. After being in contact with the State Amy advised the board that the State did not recommend this. Request denied.

It was moved and seconded to purchase a dog kennel and a catch pole for the ACO. Motion carried.

Sharon explained to the board that she had met with Terry Despres, sup. of schools, and discussed how the area towns could help get more state funding so as not to create such a burden on the local taxes. Terry was going to let her know when he needed reinforcements.

After close inspection of the Annual Town Warrant it was moved and seconded to approve it as written. Motion carried.

Warrants #1,2,3, were signed by Gloria and Pat.

It was moved and seconded to sign the quit-claim deed for George Knight. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to allow Rena May Belanger a weapons permit. Motion carried. Check for a hand-gun safety course.

The annual audit prepared by Davis CPA., was presented to the board. It was moved and seconded to accept the audit as written. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that her and Pat had attended a planning board meeting the 4th and that they had discussed what to do with the money left in the Comprehensive Plan account. The planning board table it to a later date. Both Sharon and Pat felt we could go a lot of different ways with no set plan at this time. Sharon did express that she felt we should seek out someone to come in and help us with grant work. She explained to the board that she would still be working on the grants but, she feels that we need the expertise in the writing portion. She stated that Terry Overlock had approached her concerning this and she told him she would like to have him come into the March 21st meeting just to set and discuss this with the board.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. 2.5 hrs.

Let these minutes reflect that Pat and Gloria have 1hr. on 2/28/97

Respectfully submitted
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
MARCH 21, 1997
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 5, 1997

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

NEW BUSINESS:

TERRY OVERLOCK
BLACK HAWK MINING
SIGN QUIT-CLAIM DEED
SIGN VET'S EXEMPTION
OTHER

OLD BUSINESS:

HARVESTING SCHOOL LOT
FURNACE
AMY COLLINS
OTHER

MINUTES
MARCH 21, 1997
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis and Sharon Rafford.

It was moved and seconded to accept minutes of March 5, 1997 as written. Motion carried.

Warrants # 4,5,6, were signed by full board.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with the public comment period. Motion carried.

Mr Terry Overlock called and said he could not make the scheduled meeting so it was moved and seconded to table this item to the next meeting. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that Black Hawk Mining wanted to meet with us sometime next week. This would be just an informational meeting and Sharon would let the board know when it would be.

It was moved and seconded to sign a quit-claim deed for Cora Dube to clear up an old lien that had not been released . Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to give Ronald MacDougal a Vet's exemption. Motion carried.

The board then discussed the use of the money left over in the Comprehensive Plan account. One of the possibilities would be for a grant writer. Table until a later date.

Amy Collins joined the meeting at this point and explained to the board that she was having medical problems and that she would not be able to clean for the annual town meeting . Sharon stated that she could get Brenda Goodblood. Amy also expressed that she would not be able to continue as ACO. The board asked to have it advertised if we could not find someone to take her place. At this time Pat asked Steve if they could discuss the playground equipment and where we were going to put it. Steve said he would like to see Steve Cyr's plans first before they made any decision. Really no problem with it going at the beach but would like to see the archetecial plans. Tabled to another meeting.

Sharon asked the board if they thought there was a problem with the warrant article in the annual town meeting warrant concerning the harvesting of the school block. The board said there was not a problem and to leave it as is.

Sharon informed the board that she had John Powers come to look at the furnace. There are a lot of problems , we have two options 1. Replace the canisters with new ones and the cost would be approx. \$3200.00 and they might last a year.

2. Replace all valves with Honeywell valves and be done with a guarantee. This would cost approx. \$6000.00.

Sharon suggested that we get all our facts and figures together along with an exact cost of the repairs and call a special town meeting to vote on this. It was moved and seconded to have Sharon do this sometime during the summer months. This money would have to be taken out of surplus. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that she had posted the roads.

Under other business Steve mentioned that he understood that there was alot of people setting around the office. Wanted to know if this was true. He mentioned that his wife had been in here doing business and she had mentioned it to him. Sharon said that , yes sometimes this happens but not a lot. He stated that people should be able to do their business here without having every body in town knowing about it. Sharon explained that this was a public place and there are going to be times when there will be more than one person in there doing business. More discussion followed and the board asked Sharon to put up a sign stating " NO LOITERING ". This would deter people from just coming in and setting without doing town business.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn at 4:30 1.5 hrs.

Let these minutes reflect that these hours were spent by the following selectpersons;

Gloria	----	1/27/97	2hrs.	MSAD
		3/24/97	2hrs.	DOT
		3/28/97	1.5	TOWN MEETING
		4/2/97	1hr.	BH MINING
Steve	---	3/28/97	1.5	TOWN
		4/2/97	1	BH MINING
Pat	---	3/28/97	1.5	TOWN
		4/2/97	1	BH MINING

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
APRIL 9, 1997
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

TERRY OVERLOCK

APPROVE MINUTES OF 3/21/97

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

SIGN WARRANTS

SIGN SUPPLEMENTS

OLD BUSINESS:

CABLE T.V.
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINT OFFICERS
CAMPGROUND JULY 4 LAST WEEK NO SEASONAL
TRANSFER STATION MAY 24
STREET SWEEPING
SELECTMENS MEETING SCHEDULE
OTHER

MINUTES
APRIL 9, 1997
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, Sharon Rafford, Terry Overlock and Roy Moro.

Warrants # 7,8,and 9 were signed by full board.

Terrence Overlock presented the board with a grant witting proposal. This included a number of various options in which the town could hire him as a grant writer. The board expressed interest in his proposal and told him that they were definitely considering hiring a grant writer. The board wants to discuss which direction and what is the town's priorities at this point in time.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of 3/21/97 as written. Motion carried.

At this time the board asked Roy Moro to speak. Roy explained that over the past few years that he has had run off water from the back of the municipal bldg. flood his septic system and he was very concerned about his well. He asked the board to try and divert the water. The board suggested that we ditch right in back of the building.

Sharon presented the board with a supplement for DOC. They had been inadvertently taken off the tax books when they bought the company from TransArc Oil. it was moved and seconded to do a supplement for the years, 95 and 96. Motion carried.

Sharon asked the board what their feelings were on the new draft sent to us from the cable company. They felt that the draft was reasonable and that we had better get things settled or we will be into fall before we get the new channels. Sharon told them that she had spoken to the members of the committee and they feel we should make them commit to a date. The board asked Sharon to contact Brian Gasser and ask him if we could possible commit to a certain date.

John Powers will get a written cost estimate for the furnace and it will go to the Town sometime earlier summer.

The board discussed the school block and who they would get to do the management plan and lines. Pat is going to contact Laura Audibert, Sharon is going to contact John Rebe, and Steve is going to contact Loni Jandreau. It was also suggested that the cost for this could be taken from the funds left in the comprehensive plan account. No decision was made.

Sharon mentioned that John Condon came in and was interested in cutting the school block. Sharon told John that it would be going out to bid to only the local contractors as soon as

we have a management plan in place and a forester to oversee the project.

The work done by Dan Higgins last summer on the west cottage road was brought up do the fact that Dan had come in and spoke to the town manager and told her that if the board felt that there is a problem that he would go back and repair any ditching that they felt was not done to our satisfaction at no charge to the town. After discussing the problems that we have had the board felt that because we run out of money the ditching could not be finished therefore it was not completely Dan's fault. The board is going to have Russell continue the ditching from where Dan left off, to the culvert at the mouth of the chipplant road. This should alleviate the problem. They appreciate Dan's offer but they feel we can remedy the problem on our own.

Steve asked Sharon if she could find out from Terry Overlock if there are some monies out there to get a person certified to become a CEO.

The board asked Sharon if she would accept a \$1000.00 raise this year retro and they would look at it again next year. Sharon said she would accept their offer and thanked them for making it retro. It was moved and seconded to give Sharon \$1000.00 raise retro for the year 1997. Motion carried.

Sharon asked the board what they wanted to do with the campground. No seasonal except for Fern Wilson who manages it for the town. Campers will only be allowed to reserve a week ahead of time until we hear from the State on when they will be beginning the boat launch project.

The transfer station will be open as of May 17 and again May 24 to begin with, then every first and third Saturday after that. Same hours 9:00 - 2:00.

Sharon told the board that Morin Construction had approached her about street sweeping. The board felt that it was too expensive. Sharon stated that the only street we really have a lot of winter sand build up is Fox Hill. Gloria said that the fire dept usually hoses that down for practise runs. Talk to Herb.

Pat mentioned that Russell had approached him about a 5-ton jack. The board agreed to purchase this along with a set of jack stands. Have Sharon order them.

The board would like to look at the building at the next meeting to decide what they want to do for improvements.

The board asked if Sue could come in at 5:30 p.m. Friday to discuss her wages. Sharon would let them know.

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. 2hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
APRIL 24, 1997
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 4/9/97

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS

FURNACE

TOWN CLERKS JOB MAY 2 APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN

GRANT WRITING

SCHOOL LOT

PARK FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

OTHER -- CABLE

NEW BUSINESS

SAVINGS AND CD'S

SUMMER HELP

FRASIER C U

CULVERTS

DENNIS WENTWORTH

OTHER

MINUTES
APRIL 24, 1997
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Pat Raymond at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, Sharon Rafford, and Amy Collins. Necessarily absent was Steve Belanger.

The minutes of 4/9/97 were read and Pat felt that a sentence should read, After discussing the problems that we have had the board felt that because we run out of money the ditching could not be finished therefore it was not Dan's fault. It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

At this time Amy Collins approached the board concerning where the new playground equipment was going to be placed. The board read a letter from Roberta Belanger, a concerned parent. Mrs. Belanger discussed many pros and cons in her letter. She felt that the playground should not be placed at the old boat landing but it should be placed where the existing one is now at the municipal center. The board felt that Mrs. Belanger had some very good points but failed to see that the old boat landing would not be an appropriate location. It was moved and seconded to place the new playground equipment at the old boat landing and to allow Amy to purchase what is necessary as long as she gets approval from the Town Manager and the funds are available. Motion carried.

Warrants #10 and 11 were signed

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion. Motion carried.

Sharon presented the board with a quote from John Powers for the repair of the furnace. The board suggested that we hold a special town meeting in June to see if the town will authorize the selectmen to get the repairs done at Mr. Powers price of \$6500.00. The board also asked Sharon to get some kind of guarantee from Mr. Powers. Sharon is going to get the cost of all bills incurred in the past 3 years to show to the people that we have to do something or this furnace is going to nickel and dime us to death.

It was moved and seconded to accept Sue Beaulier's resignation as Town Clerk effective as of May 16, 1997. Motion carried. The job was posted as of April 23 and will be closed on May 2, 1997 at 4:30 p.m. Sharon will be going on vacation as of the 25th of April and will not be back until May 5th. Sharon suggested that we start reviewing the applications as soon as she returns on the 5th. Board agreed and said they would meet at 5:30 on the 5th.

Grant writing was tabled until we have a full board.

Pat explained that he had asked Laura Audibert if she was interested in doing a management plan for the Town's School

Lot. Sharon also received a cost estimate from John Rebe for one week of work at \$580.00. It was moved and seconded to get Laura Audibert at no cost to the Town. She would do a management plan and oversee the cutting as long as the wood purchasing would be handled by Bowater. The following criteria would also be implemented;

- 1 It will have to be a local cutter with general liability of a minimum of \$1,000,000.00

It was moved and seconded to go with Laura for our management plan and forester. Motion carried. The board felt that some of the money left over from the comprehensive plan could be utilized in some manner here.

Sharon presented the board with the newest draft of the Cable TV Franchise. The newest changes were that the cable company would guarantee 4 new channels in 90 days from the signing of the agreement and the 6 remaining channels within the following 9 months. Board wants to meet with the advisory board at the next meeting and get this signed as soon as possible.

The board wants to meet with the credit union as soon as possible to start negotiations on their lease. Set up a meeting with them either on the 16th at 3:00 or the 28th at 7:00.

Sharon informed the board that she had reinvested the \$50,000.00 CD with Peoples Heritage for one year and asked Pat to sign the signature card.

The board wants to put a notice up in town for summer help. Sharon has not heard from ACAP as to who we might get for the summer program.

The snowmobile club's culvert is causing a lot of our water problems with Roy Moro. Russell suggested that if we could extend their culvert one full length the water would be diverted away from the municipal building and Mr. Moro's property. Sharon has spoke to Jim Dumond about the club paying for half of the culvert so we can extend their turn around. He did not think this would be a problem and was going to talk to Ray Chasse.

Sharon stated that Roland Caron had not paid for his culverts yet and that she was going to send him another notice asking him if he had a problem with the bill to come in and discuss it as opposed to just letting it go. If he does not pay for the culverts the town will be forced to pull them out this summer.

Dennis Wentworth asked Sharon if Bowater could rip some ledge up and use for their roads this summer. The board felt that Bowater could either lease the pit or pay market value for the ledge. Let Dennis know this. Also make sure they do not go beyond the boundaries for the legal pit size.

Under other business the road improvement was discussed. It is the general concensus that the Hathaway Road is priority this summer. It needs ditching desperately and serious

reconstruction. This will be discussed at a later date.

Jim Strang came to Sue and asked her what the board wanted him to do about the wharfs . The board felt that they had already settled this. Sharon will talk to him to find out what he wants to do.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:30. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
MAY 16, 1997
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

LLOYD JANDREAU -- COST OF TIRES AT NASWA AND STEEL HAULING

DENNIS WENTWORTH -- STUMPAGE AT LEDGE PIT

APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 4/24/97

SIGN WARRANTS #12-14

CABLE TV FRANCHISE -- ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SIGN VET'S EXEMPT -- HANNAH ADAMS

SIGN LIQUOR LIC. --PORTAGE HILLS CC

APPOINT NEW TOWN CLERK

APPOINT NEW PLANNING BOARD MEMBER--GRACE NASON

OLD BUSINESS:

SCHOOL LOT

FRASIER CREDIT UNION -- 90 DAY NOTICE AUGUST 31

JANDEAU'S AND CARON'S SEPTIC SYSTEM

TERRY OVERLOCK

SUMMER HELP

OTHER

NEW BUSINESS:

STREET SWEEPING AND GRADING

SCHOLARSHIPS

OTHER

MINUTES
MAY 16, 1997
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger , Gloria Curtis, Pat Raymond, Sharon Rafford, and guest Dennis Wentworth from Bowater.

Dennis asked the board if they could use the pit area to extract some ledge, approximately 1500 yds. The board did not feel there would be a problem but they would have to work out some way to show that the ledge would be purchased , either by a lease or by the yard. Dennis felt that this would not be feasible because of the cost of ripping it . The board then explained that we are under a lot of pressure from the towns people and that we have to show that we are not just giving it away. Dennis was going back to Dave Ash to find out if a lease had ever been drawn up for just the use of the pit. No decision was made and Dennis left the meeting.

At this time Herb McPherson joined the meeting and wanted the board to come look at the water on the east cottage road. The board along with Sharon would go to look at this when the meeting was done. The board felt that there should be a culvert place at the entry of Frank's road and because we do not know why there was never one there the Town would put this one in at our cost.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes for 4/24/97 as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to sign the liquor license for the Portage Hills CC. Motion carried.

Warrants #12 -16 were signed by the full board.

Sharon stated that the old part of the cemetery was a mess because people were being buried two different ways. Also the old part has reserved plots that nobody knows who is supposed to be buried there. It was moved and seconded that all new reserved plots will go in the new part. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to appoint Grace Nason to the planning board. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to appoint Katherine Gagnon as our new Town Clerk. Motion carried.

Sharon asked the board what was our next step as far as the school lot was concerned. Pat said that Laura was going to do the management plan and run the lines for us and then we will go from there.

The cable advisory committee joined the meeting at this time and went over the changes in the draft franchise. They, along with the board felt that they were satisfied and that we

should settle and sign the franchise. It was moved and seconded to sign the Cable TV Franchise as amended. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that she had received notice that Frasier Credit was leaving at the end of August. Different options were discussed as to what we would do with the room. No decision was made.

There is a problem with Eldon Jandreau's septic system, but Ralph has been in touch with Nick Archer and he is going to take care of it.

Sharon gave the board a copy of the letter Ralph sent to Leo Caron giving him 30 days to correct his septic problem.

Sharon told the board that the Town of Portage has received 11,000.00 in grant money for septic systems. We have 16,000.00 left to work this year.

The board wants Sharon to contact Terry Overlock and have him go to a meeting with her concerning grant monies that is available. Find out what's out there and go from there. Meeting is in Presque Isle June 3 at 3:00 p.m.

It was moved and seconded to hire William Good to help Russell for the summer at \$ 7.00/hr. part time. He would have to work 40 hrs for a few weeks and part time , only when Russ needs him after that.

Have Russell check the outside of the building especially the trim to find out what we will have to replace before we do any painting and repairing.

Pat asked Sharon to call the VFW to find out if they would use a PA system during the Memorial Day Parade because no one can hear them.

The shoulders of the roads need grading this summer. Have Russell grade them with the tag along grader.

It was moved and seconded to split the Town Scholarship 4 ways between Sarah Bartlett, Bethann Hummel, Benjamin Gagnon and a special circumstance Sheila Moro. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that we will be voting on the school budget May 29, 10 AM - 8 PM. Sharon also informed the board that our commitment increased to \$5,000.00.

Pat told Sharon that he went to the campground and the toilets were full and needed to be pumped. He also showed concern that it had not been checked last fall and had been left like that. Sharon had said that she had called David Chasse to have the facility pumped before Memorial weekend. Fern Wilson will manage the campground permits. She is not to do any manual labor such as mowing, etc..

The board wants Sharon to check into having the Boy Scouts clean up garbage on the sides of the town roads.

Pat wants to check into having a dumping station at the
campground "holding tank".

As there was no other business, Pat, Gloria, and Sharon
proceeded to Herb McPherson's residence to check water on the
East Cottage Road.

Meeting adjourned following this at 5:30 P.M. (2.5 hours)

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
MAY 28, 1997
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 16, 1997

SIGN WARRANTS #17 - 18

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS

TERRY OVERLOCK
SUMMER HELP
CULVERT AT FRANK'S ROAD
SCHOLARSHIPS 3 WAY
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

DWIGHT WILCOX
OTHER

MINUTES
MAY 28, 1997
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, Sharon Rafford and Chris Fish.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of May 16 as written. Motion carried.

At this time Chris Fish approached the board during public discussion period and inquired about the harvesting of the school lot and the contracting of the public works job. The board felt they would not be making any decision on this until the next annual town meeting. A cost projection has to be done and Sharon told Chris that she would work with him as soon as she had the time. Further discussion followed and Chris left the meeting at 7:20.

Sharon called Terry Overlock and he agreed to attend the meeting concerning grants on the 2 of June. We would pay him for his time.

Sharon informed the board that we hired Bill Good for summer help and we also got Al Jones through the ACAP summer jobs program.

The board wants a culvert placed at the entrance of Frank Currier's road on the east cottage road. This will be done as soon as it dries up.

It was moved and seconded to award the scholarship split three ways with each applicant receiving \$333.00. Motion carried to award the scholarship to Ben Gagnon, Bethann Hummel, and Sarah Bartlett.

Sharon mentioned that Dwight Wilcox had approached her about bidding on the Town's insurance. The board agreed that they would be more than willing to her his proposal.

The seaplane base seems to be a problem. Pat stated that if Jim did not keep it mowed this year that the town would do it and charge him for the work done. The board feels that the grounds and building are not being maintained in a proper fashion and that Jim should be aware of this. Sharon will call him. There is still \$1200.00 at state level he can have as long as he turns in the bills.

The board prioritized work needed to be done.

Hathaway needs to be ditched to the tracks at least.
Finish ditching on West cottage road.
Clean culverts.
Building maintenance

Sharon stated that Ron Rushinal has approx. 200 bails of hay he would sell us for \$1.25 / bail. It was moved and seconded

to purchase them and store them in the salt/sand shed.
Motion carried.

Find out from Jim Garrity if he would sell us some ledge from his pit.

Ask the boy scouts if they could clean roadside garbage.

Pat informed the board that we could borrow the chipper from Bowater for the summer.

Sharon told the board that there was still damage being done in the gym. Mostly to the lights. Board agreed that all programs should be outside for the summer months and that we should look into getting the painting and the maintenance done on the inside also.

As there was no other business, it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. 2hrs.

Let these minutes reflect that the board met with volleyball group concerning the use of the gym during summer months on 6/9/97. Roberta Belanger felt that they would like to be able to use the building until 7/1/97. Steve explained that we were going to be doing repairs and that the lights were a liability if one ever came down. After the group left and further discussion followed it was moved and seconded to have the volleyball program continue outside. Motion carried. Steve will let Roberta know how the decision went.

1 hr.

Respectfully submitted
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
JUNE 25, 1997
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 28, 1997

MEETING FOR JUNE 13 WAS CANCELLED DUE TO NO QUORUM.

SIGN WARRANTS

DWIGHT WILCOX INSURANCE PROPOSAL

OLD BUSINESS

ROADS
GRANT WRITER
SEAPLANE BASE
SIGN DEED FOR THE MORROW PROPERTY
LIGHTS IN GYM - BUILDING
BOAT LANDING AND CAMPGROUND
FIRE DEPT.
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

SUPPLEMENTS
CEMETERY
SEPTIC GRANT
SCHOOL LOT FUNDS
SET MILL RATE AT JULY 11 MEETING
OTHER

MINUTES
6/25/97
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Steve Belanger. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis , Sharon Rafford and guests were Dwight Wilcox and Mark Fox.

At this time Dwight Wilcox presented the board with his proposal on the Town's insurance. According to the figures given, the Town would benefit with a cost savings of 1581.00. After going over the Town's current figures it actually looked to reflect a savings of 1140.00 , this is not knowing what kind of refund dividend that we will get this year, last years figures 316.00 which were included. The board had a few unanswered questions. This included, if we do not want to continue with Wilcox insurance what do we do to join MMA Risk Pool again? Can we get out without having to go back to the town. Why do we have such a high liability coverage of 250,000.00? Are we only covered to 300,000.00 because of the Tort Act and what would happen if someone sued us for more? Can we change deductibles to meet our needs? At this time the board agreed to table until they had more information.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of May 28 as written. Motion carried.

Sharon presented the board with a draft of the warrant for the special town meeting to repair the furnace. After some discussion the board felt that we should go out and look for more than one quote. Sharon is to call Irving and DOC. Table until more information.

Have Russell come to the next meeting to discuss the Hathaway road.

The grant writing was discussed and the board asked when we should pursue grants. Sharon stated that most of the grants will not be out until Sept. and that we should call Terry in and discuss what we could afford.

Sharon told the board that she had spoken to Jim Strang about the Seaplane Base . That she had received a letter from Phil Simpson concerning why the docks had not been placed. Sharon spoke to Mr. Simpson and explained that Jim was to repair the docks as soon as he could get the lumber from Rock Lumber. That was no problem with Mr. Simpson , but the board feels that Jim should be getting this work done. They want to see something within the next week.

Gloria mentioned that the buoys at the beach were not out yet and why . Sharon said she would have Russell get right on it.

Gloria stated that we had received a thank-you from Beth Ann Hummel for the Scholarship money she had received from the town. It was an excellent thought on her part and it was nice to see that there are still some young adults out there that appreciate these things.

It was moved and seconded to sign the deed to sell the property to the Blubaghs. The property in question is the property the town voted to sell to the original owners of the property across the road, who had their sewer system located on this property owned by the Town, GNP and PC. Motion carried.

Steve said he could not get cages for the lights in the gym, they do not make such a thing. He suggested that we have an electrician come in and put them on a hook and eye swivel to absorb the hits if any. Call Allen Stagdig, and get him to come look at it.

Sharon stated that she needed staggering to get those lights that are bad, down before the 12 of July. Steve said he could not get Pinkhams because Randy Chasse had them and he did not know when he would be finished. Steve said he would check and get back to Sharon. Also, Pat suggested that we contact Hallie Baker, Fred might have some we could borrow just for that.

Pat asked if Sharon had gotten 5miles/hr speed limit signs for the camp ground. Sharon was having trouble finding the 5 mile ones. Pat also asked Sharon to check with Dick Skinner to find out if we can get a speed bump placed at the entrance to the boat/ campground area. Some discussion over the campground and how we might do things just a little different next year concerning the management. Will wait and see what takes place with the boat launch area first, will deal with next spring.

The board asked Sharon to give them a report on Kathy's progress. Sharon presented them with some areas that she felt Kathy was doing excellent and some that she still needed improvement in. Knowing that she did not have the computer experience that they thought Sharon feels she is doing well. Sharon felt that given time Kathy will be good for the town.

The board was informed that because of the problems we recently had with our red phone system that the Fire Dept. were going on line with their pagers as of July 2. A flyer will be sent out to all post office box holders and some will be left at Dean's and Coffins to make people aware of the procedure.

Laura sent the board a report of the presentation she would be giving to the people that she was giving a tour. Looked good. Also, Pat said she is still working on our management plan.

It was moved and seconded to send a supplemental tax for the years '94, '95, '96, to Portage Farm Assoc. Motion carried. This piece of land is valued at 3500.00.

Sharon told the board that the road that we fixed at the Municipal Cemetery was on Bud Clark's property and that we would have to loan and reseed it when we access by another route.

Nick Archer checked septic systems. Those in line to be

fixed are as follows: Betty Curran
Ted St. Peter
Ed Pendexter

Sharon informed the board that Fleet Bank by error had sent our School Ministerial Funds CD to the State as Abandoned property. Sharon has talked to them and produced paperwork showing that it was their mistake and is requesting a letter of apology because of the situation that this has put the Town in and because this has compromised Sharon's integrity. Board agrees and feels they should be the ones rectifying the situation.

Pat suggested that we should go to the Town and ask for a reval in 1999. Will put in the annual town meeting warrant to go out to bid.

Amy has been working on the playground and will continue after the 4th of July when her ski show is over.

Sharon said she had heard from the State Surplus and that for what the Town is looking for the pickups are too costly. Pat suggested that we get hold of Tom Parent , Forestry and see if he can help us out in getting a pickup for public works.

The board told Sharon to get the paint for the gym. We need to get it painted. Get a gloss, it will clean easier.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. 2.5 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
JULY 11, 1997
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 6/25/97

DAVE ASH -- REVAL

MMA -- INSURANCE

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Sign warrants -

OLD BUSINESS :

GYM -- WORK TO BE DONE
SEAPLANE BASE
SEPTIC GRANT
SET MILL RATE —
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS :

TOWN SQUARE
DOT -- LOCAL ROAD ASSISTANCE
OTHER

MINUTES
JULY 23, 1997
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Pat Raymond at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, and Sharon Rafford. Steve Belanger necessarily absent due to illness.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes for 7/11/97 as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that both Irving and DOC had come and looked at the furnace she was under the impression that Irving was not even going to bother with it but they came back and they said they would have a representative at the next board meeting. Sherm Weaver said he would send the board a letter. Sharon had not received anything at this time.

Sharon asked the board what they wanted to do concerning the selectmens meetings while Steve was ill. Pat stated that we will hold them as we have been doing in the past until we hear more from Steve. Gloria agreed. Post meetings for August only for now.

Sharon presented the board with drafts of the sign to be placed at the beach to recognize all the sponsors and volunteers for the work done at the new playground site. After considering all the board agreed that the sign should mention all the businesses by name and to thank Amy Collins and all the volunteers.

Sharon asked the board if while they had the back wall torn out if they wanted to place two windows there. It was agreed that there would be no reason to put back any windows there.

Sharon stated that Nick Archer had contacted her concerning Eldon Jandreau's system and that he would try to get additional funds so as not to use the funds we received for the 97 year. Still have not heard.

Sharon said Kathy was doing really good, still had alot to learn but Sharon felt she had accomplished a great deal in the little time she had been here. Her 3 month review comes up at the next meeting.

Gloria said she had gone down to the seaplane base and there had not been any changes. Sharon stated that she had spoken to Jim Strang and that he was waiting for Marcel to deliver his lumber to repair the docks. Maybe we should have him come in to a meeting.

Sharon said that she had spoken to Andy Belanger and he informed her that the hospital where Steve was stated that he could not have any flowers, so Sharon asked the board if she could order him a fruit basket . All agreed this along with a nice card would be appropriate.

Sharon presented the board with a proposal that Omar Paradis had come up with and asked them to consider doing chip seal for 1.2 miles on the west cottage road. Omar and Russell both feel that if we do not do something soon we will lose the road. The board feels that this is a priority but Pat would like to have the full board present to decide something of this nature. Also, with the boat landing going in do we want to do anything until the trucking is done. It was moved and seconded to table this matter to a later meeting.

Sharon stated that Dan Higgins had asked if he could finish the job on the West Cottage road at no charge to the Town. The board agreed .

Pat stated that the road crew had left brush on one side of the hathaway road for an entire weekend and that this was not good. When they cut right of way chip the brush immediately.

Sharon informed the board that some concerned citizens had approached her about Norman St. Peter's air strip. They said that when he went to the planning board back a few years ago this was only going to be for private use now he is turning it commercial. The planning board should have records concerning this and Sharon referred them to the planning board.

Sharon stated that there would be no way she could take all her vacation time and all the accrued time she has before the end of the year. She told the board that she was going to take an occasional Monday or Friday to work out this time. She said that if she planned one of these days and they needed her to be here she would cancel and take another day. Board agreed.

Sharon explained that Mr. Dwight Wilcox was planning to be at this meeting to discuss the Town's insurance. He was very upset that the board voted to go with MMA and that he felt that he should be heard again. Mr. Wilcox called Sharon and stated that he would not be at the meeting today and that he would call Sharon when he would be available. The board feels that this is a dead issue and to send Mr. Wilcox a letter thanking him for his time but we are not interested in switching insurance companies at this time.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. 1.5 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
AUGUST 15, 1997
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

FURNACE QUOTES -- IRVING (DAVE) LETTER FROM DOC (SHERM)

OLD BUSINESS

ROADS - CULVERT AT FRANKS, WINTER SAND, OTHER WORK
BOAT LANDING
CD - MINISTERIAL
PROGRESS ON BIG ROOM
KATHY'S -- 3 MO. PROBATION
FFCU
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

SEPTIC BIDS FOR 97 WILL BE OPENED 8/27/97
LIQUOR LICENSE -- DEANS
SUPPLEMENTS -- GARY BELANGER
ABATEMENTS -- DICK BELANGER
OTHER

MINUTES
AUGUST 15, 1997
3:00 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Pat Raymond at 2:45 due to the fact that the representative from Irving Oil had to leave. Those present were Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, Sharon Rafford and Dave Dumont. At 2:55 Christy Dicker joined the meeting. Dave gave the board hand outs with a cost breakdown to repair the furnace and get it back to running efficiently. He explained that one of our pumps was way oversized and that we had some electrical problems with the valves. Also, the way that the zones were set up in the fire dept or the absence of, this was causing so much pressure that the water was being forced through the pipes and the valves therefore creating the valves to work improperly. The quote was for approx. 4500.00 and he asked the board if they would consider purchasing all the oil from Irving. The board had to consider another quote from DOC and they stated that they would get back to him. At this point Mr. Dumont left the meeting.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of 7/23/97 as written. Motion carried.

The board asked what Jim Strang has done about getting a bill to us on the wharfs so we can send into the State for reimbursement. Sharon stated that he said he has not received a bill from Rock Lumber yet. Gloria feels that if he does not get on the ball he will lose the money. She wanted to know if the Town could repair the docks and put in for the reimbursement? Sure. No decision was made.

Russell Morris, public works joined the meeting.

The board asked if Portage Construction would haul our winter for the same amount as they had last year at 5000.00 for 700 yds. Christy Dicker stated that they would do this and that she wanted to get started as soon as possibly. Russell stated that he was not ready for it yet and asked if they could wait. Christy said they could but they were not real busy right now and they would like to get started before the septic bids came out. The board asked Sharon to find out when she could get salt and schedule the winter sand for then. It was moved and seconded to purchase winter sand from Portage Construction at \$5000.00 for 700 yds. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion. Motion carried.

Russell explained to the board what was being done on Hathaway road and what needed to be done elsewhere. Some discussion was held concerning the West cottage rd. and that Dan Higgins wanted to come finish the job at no cost to the Town. Board agreed. Russell stated that \$25,000.00 /year was not going to fit the bill. He would like to see the money carried over and take 50,000.00 next year and really seal the

west road. Sharon mentioned again that Omar Paradis felt we should do 1.2 miles with chip seal. Russell said not a good idea because it would just patch the problem not solve it. He stated that the whole road needs resurfacing and new shoulders be done or we will lose our road. Christy agreed. No money!!!! More discussion followed and the board agreed along with Russell that the Hathaway rd. needed to be finished as far as brush . The next thing is east cottage and more patching. Sharon said she had talked to Frank concerning the culvert that was supposed to be placed at the mouth of his road. Frank stated that he had talked to Omar and that the Town should put what they call a no culvert ditch there. Russell said he could do this with the grader. There is not enough pitch there to put a culvert there. Board felt this was ok if it solved the problem . Russell asked about his vacation and the board asked him not to take a vacation until the summer work was done . They said he could take his first week the first week in October and his next week after winter sets in the Town would get someone to take his place. The painting of the building was discussed and Sharon said the guys just do not have time to get this done . The board said to put feelers out to see if we could get an independent to do it. The board wanted to know when Dan could get the west rd. done. Russell left meeting at this point.

Sharon informed the board that the campground was closed as of this day and that she thought McQuade Construction out of Mars Hill, lowest bidder was going to begin construction Monday the 18th.

Sharon stated that she was going to place the ministerial fund CD with Peoples.

The big room was making progress. Allen Stadig has not come back to do the lights , board wants Sharon to call him to find out when he can do it. The rug installer will be here Tuesday. Pat asked Sharon if she asked him how much he charged and Sharon said that the board just told her to get it done. She thought that he charged \$3.00/yd.

The board asked Sharon if she knew when the credit union was leaving and she stated that she had talked to Nancy and it would be around the 1st of Sept. The board stated that the rent will be prorated.

Beach area has never looked so nice . Tell Al that he was very much appreciated this summer, has done a great job. Sharon said she received a letter from a camp owner saying that the little park with the playground equipment was very nice and to keep up the good work.

It was moved and seconded to sign the liquor license for Dean's Motor Lodge. Gloria stated that she heard that they were going to get male strippers and does the Town have any control over this. Sharon stated that this license was not the same thing , it was a separate permit all together. Motion carried.

Sharon said the state came up to look at Eldon Jandreau's system. Felt that the wrong fill was used, had too much clay

in it. They will let Sharon know what they are going to do. Pat said that Betty Curran's is priority this year because we were going to finish what we started last year. All agreed.

It was moved and seconded to abate Dick Belanger's 97 taxes of \$175.00 because of the land transfer was not done and it was also moved to do a supplemental tax for Gary Belanger for \$210.00. Motion carried.

At this time Christy Dicker left the meeting and Kathy Gagnon joined the board to discuss her probation period and it was moved and seconded to hire her full time and to increase her pay to \$6.00/hr. as agreed when she came on board as the new town clerk. Motion carried.

Pat mentioned that the metal still has not been picked up. How long is our contract with naswa? Should we look into getting our own transfer station.

At this time Roy Moro came and the meeting was adjourned to go look at Roy's water problems. 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
AUGUST 27, 1997
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 8/15/97

SIGN WARRANTS # 41-44

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

BID OPENING FOR SMALL COMM. SEPTIC GRANT

NEW BUSINESS:

FORESTRY WANTS GRAVEL FROM LEDGE PIT
VETS ABATEMENT FOR REGINALD FRASER
CUB SCOUTS
ALCOHOL AND DRUG TESTING POLICY
WEAPON PERMIT
COUNTY TAXES
OTHER

OLD BUSINESS:

FURNACE
OUTSIDE BUILDING
FFCU
SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT
GYM
TRANSFER STATION
CD -- STEVE SIGN
OTHER

MINUTES
AUGUST 27, 1997
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, Sharon Rafford, and guests Christy Dicker and Amy Collins.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes as written , Pat mentioned at this time that he thought the figure for the winter sand was incorrect and that it should have been \$5.00/yd. After checking minutes of when the agreement was made Pat said he stood corrected and it was agreed on , 700 yds./\$5000.00. Minutes carried as written.

At this time the bids for the small community septic grants were opened and gone over. Only two bidders , Shamrock Logging and Portage Construction. Bids were as follows:

	Shamrock Logging	Portage Construction
B Currans	\$ 2390.00	\$ 2427.79
E Pendexter	6250.00	6578.92
Ted St.Peter	-----	6441.71

It was moved and seconded to award Currans and Pendexters to Shamrock Logging and St.Peters to Portage Construction. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that the Forestry had approached her about getting some gravel at the ledge pit . The board stated that the Great Northern has done all the ripping and stockpiling and that they should be the ones to contact. Sharon said the Forestry did contact Dave and he wanted them to check with the town first. GNP has to make that decision.

It was moved and seconded to abate Reg Fraser's taxes in the amount of 177.50 for the years 96 and 97 because it was never put in the computer that he had a vet's exemption. Motion carried.

Sharon stated that the cub scouts were going to clean the cellar for the donation allocated at town meeting.

It was moved and seconded to appoint Kathy as the new drug abuse program administrator. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to sign the County Tax warrant. Motion carried.

Sharon mentioned to the board that she was very proud to inform the board that Adam Raymond has volunteered to help set up our book center. It was nice to see young people taking some interest in helping this get off the ground.

Sharon wanted to know when and what the board wanted to do about the furnace . It was moved and seconded to go with Irving Oil and to set up the special town meeting at their convenience. Will get this information and do up warrant to have board sign. It was also moved and seconded to ask for \$5500.00 from unencumbered surplus for the repairs. Both motions carried.

Amy Collins at Sharon's request attended the meeting to give a quote on Painting the outside of the building. Sharon stated that she had asked 3 different people and none wanted to do it , so she asked Amy to give her a price . Amy gave several options and the board questioned some of the costs . Pat said he would like to look at the outside before he made a decision and asked to go on to something else on the agenda.

Sharon explained to the board that she had talked to Maurice Pelletier and that he said they were taking the counters from the room they were renting. Sharon told the board that she had mentioned to him that the board was under the impression that the counters would be staying when the Credit Union moved out. Maurice said no and asked Sharon if the Town wanted to buy them. The board stated that the counters stay or they would have to replace the rug. The board told Sharon to speak to Harold concerning this matter.

It was moved and seconded to sign Deans' Motor Lodge's special entertainment permit after some discussion. Motion carried.

Sharon explained to the board that she had approx. 20 sq. yds. of carpeting left from the gym. wanted to know what they wanted to do with it. She said there was a couple of people interested in it. After looking at their options the board felt it would be to the town's benefit to keep the carpet because of the low purchase cost and use in the entry ways.

Sharon said she was having a hard time getting the light done and wanted to know what the board wanted to do. Steve went down through the phone book and gave her some numbers of electricians to call. She would do this tomorrow.

Rickey Saucier came down to pick up the steel at the transfer station but did not get it all. He said that he was going to bring a steel container to store the steel in until he could come pick it up.

Sharon had Steve sign the CD purchased from Key Bank.

Pat asked Sharon if she knew if you had to have a permit to put a fence up . Steve said there was not a need when Kevin Flint put one up a few years ago. Sharon suggested to Pat that he check with Ralph CEO because she was not sure and did not want to give out wrong advice.

The board asked Sharon to contact Jim Strang and give him 1 week to get his invoices in to submit to the State or we would lose the grant money.

The board wants Russell to finish the cutting of brush beyond the tracks on the Hathaway rd. while we still had the use of the chipper and get it done. Also Pat suggested that Sharon send Dave A letter thanking him for the use of the chipper for the summer.

At this time the painting of the building came up again The board felt Sharon should call Bob Beaulier and ask him to give us a quote, just to see if the price Amy gave was not out of range. Table to next meeting.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. Motion carried. 3 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford.

AGENDA
SEPT. 12, 1997
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 27, 1997

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS:

BLDG. PAINTING
SCHOOL LOT WOOD HARVESTING
SEPTIC GRANTS
WORKERS COMP - MMA
FFCU
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS:

GAS SPILL
BOAT LANDING
PORTAGE LAKE ASSOC.
OTHER

MINUTES
SEPT. 12, 1997
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, and Sharon Rafford.

There was a question on the minutes concerning the wood chipper. At this time Sharon mentioned that the battery had to be replaced. The board felt if Russell kept the old one that it should be put back into the chipper before we send it back to Bowater. If not give them the new one.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion. Motion carried.

Sharon informed the board that Perry Charette took another job and that he could not do anything on the bldg. until after the end of October. The board wants Sharon to try and find someone else. Sharon suggested calling Fred Baker.

The board received a letter from Laura Audibert stating that she was in the process of presenting the town with a formal management plan but wanted to let us know of a few preliminary findings : a) She did not find a lot of marketable blowdowns and she thought that it could be cut in the next 5 years , not necessarily right off.

b) She advised a winter cut.

Sharon stated that all the systems were being done and that she had taken it upon herself to allow Ed Pendexter to pay \$50.00/wk for the next 5 weeks to pay off his balance due to some hardships they have encountered. Board agreed as long as this did not become a problem. Sharon explained that this was a judgement call and that she does not allow this normally.

The board stated that the Credit Union could take their counters but they had to make the floor look presentable.

Pat asked about the Hathaway Rd. said there was a few things he wanted done before they finish and leave.

Wants culverts cleaned

Ditch by Ted's raked and mulched.

Brush cut to the lake.

Sharon informed the board that the State found a gas spill when they were cleaning the culverts and called DEP in. Sharon stated that she had spoken to Frank Weisner from DEP and he was going to do some test holes within the next two weeks, to see where it was coming from. He feels it is old gas that has been trapped underground. Not much more to tell

at this point in time.

Sharon told the board that the boat launch was just about finished. There would still be a silt fence until the waters clear up.

The lake association was discussed concerning some of the issues that they have brought to the Town.

At this time as there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. 1.5 hr.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
SEPT. 24, 1997
7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 9/12/97

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS

BLDG. PAINTING
MMA - WORKERS COMP
FFCU
OTHER -

NEW BUSINESS

DONALD MARTIN - EASEMENT FOR SEPTIC
ROAD ON OAK POINT
TOWER FOR MARCEL THERIAULT
ANNUAL AUDIT
SCHOOL BELL
OTHER -- culvert -- *State Valuation*

MINUTES
9/26/97
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, and Sharon Rafford.

The board asked Sharon how we made out on the gas spill. Sharon informed the board that DEP had notified her and said that the concentration was right at that culvert and that they would keep an eye on it and would have DOT keep cleaning the ditch.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of 9/12/97 as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to go with MMA for wrkers comp. Motion carried.

The board discussed having the Town Office relocated to the back of the building next spring if we did not get another renter for that office space. Herb would like to have the front office for the fire dept.

It was moved and seconded to hire Irving Oil Co. to fix our furnace for \$3535.40 minimum and not to exceed \$5500.00 as voted in the special town meeting held on Sept 18, 1997. Motion carried. The board asked Sharon to check with MPG to see if they could give us a better price on oil.

The Hathaway road looks good. Sharon said the boys brought the chipper back.

It was moved and seconded to allow Donald Martin to have an easement for his septic system on the land the town owns on the East Cottage Rd. All expenses must be incurred by Mr. Martin. Motion carried.

Sharon has had some complaints about Aubrey Cyr putting a road over on Oak Point. Pat stated that in a previous meeting the board approved him brushing out the distance from where they had cut, approx. 200 ft to his line but it would never be a road. Pat and Steve will go look at it and we will go from there.

Sharon stated that UniceL was putting a tower on Marcel Theriault's land. More tax dollars.

It was moved and seconded to put the annual audit out for bid. Motion carried.

Sharon stated that Mrs. Holmes had approached her about getting the old school bell that used to be on the old school in buffalo for the town to restore. There is no money for

this at this time.

Sharon informed the board that the the state valuation for the town had gone down \$200,000.00. GREAT !!!

Under other business Sharon stated that Darrell Soucy wants to buy the lowbed. He offered \$1000.00 for it. It was moved and seconded to sell the lowbed to A.J.Soucy for \$1000.00. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to have all the Selectmens meetings changed and held on Fridays at 3:00 p.m. until the end of the year because of Steve having to work nights. Must be posted. Motion carried.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
10/10/97
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 9/26/97

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS

INSURANCE
AUBREY CYR
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

PRINTER
AUDIT OUT FOR BID
OTHER

MINUTES
10/10/97
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Gloria Curtis, Pat Raymond, and Sharon Rafford.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of 9/26/97 as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion as there was no one in attendance. Motion carried.

Sharon asked the board what they wanted to do with the money which is over the 100,000.00 in the checking. She explained that we could put 50,000.00 easily into another CD. It was moved and seconded to buy another CD of \$50,000.00 from Peoples Bank and have it staggered from the other CD's term. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to approve weapons permits for Richard Hoppe and Ralph Pelletier. Motion carried.

Sharon explained to the board that we had to get the vote of the town to join MMA's Workers Comp program. It was a misunderstanding and that the representatives from MMA apologized for misleading us but would give us the wording for the annual town meeting warrant so we could go for it next year. Sharon explained that she had to send our payment for the insurance carriers we have had in the past so as not to be cancelled. Board agreed.

Sharon said she had spoken to Aubrey Cyr and he told her that all he had done over on Oak Point was bulldoze from the town's boundary line to his line, that he had not graveled any thing. Steve said he was going over there this Saturday and he would check it out.

The State has contacted Sharon about hauling off the sludge at the boat landing. They have contacted DEP and the GNP and will be placing the blue clay at the woodwaste landfill on the pinkham road. Sharon said she would like to keep Bill on until this and the grading is done. OK but if we do not need him let him go.

Sharon informed the board that the printer was really giving them alot of problems and wanted to know if the board would allow her to purchase an OKI DATA printer for \$345.00 if the budget allowed. If not wait until after Jan. It was moved and seconded to do this. Motion carried.

Sharon stated that she had gotten a model bid form from MMA and that she had put the annual audit out for a bid of 3 years. She explained that we are not locked into all three years and we could accept or reject any and all bids. OK

The board asked Sharon if she had made any more progress on

the painting of the building. She said that she had called the gentleman Steve had suggested but he had just taken a full time job in Presque Isle. Looks like we will not be able to get it done this year but if Russ has the time he could scrape.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m. 1hr.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
10/24/97
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 10/10/97

SIGN WARRANTS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS:

AUDIT BIDS

GRANTS

WHAT TO DO WITH ROAD IMPROVEMENT MONEY

JANDREAUS SEPTIC

EASEMENT FOR DONALD MARTIN

CD'S

OTHER

NEW BUSINESS:

PLANNING BOARD -- TOURISM

DWANE BELANGER 11/2/97 6:00 P.M.

OTHER

MINUTES
10/24/97
3:00 P.M.

May 5 } all 2 hrs
May 8 } 2.5

The meeting was called to order by Steve p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger Sharon Rafford. Pat Raymond was necess

May Oct 31 1 hr 4

It was moved and seconded to approve ni Motion carried.

Sept 18 2 hrs

It was moved and seconded to dispense w Motion carried.

June

Warrants were signed.

The board discussed the Oak Point concerning the bulldozing being done there. Steve suggested that we contact MMA to find out what we can do. Have Aubrey Cyr come into the next meeting.

The audit bids were open at this time. We had two submit bids. Chester M. Kearney with a bid of \$4000.00 -- 97
4200.00 -- 98
4400.00 -- 99

Peter Davis CPA

4000.00 -- 97
4000.00 -- 98
4000.00 -- 99

It was moved and seconded to award the bid to Peter Davis with stipulations concerning:

Bank accounts
excise tax

Motion carried.

Sharon asked the board if she could call Terry Overlock in to discuss grant writing, she had received the CDBG package from the State. Board asked Sharon to set up a meeting with Terry on November 31, at 3:30 p.m.

Sharon asked the board if they wanted to take all the work done on the Hathaway road out of the \$25,000.00 earmarked for road improvement or summer roads. Sharon stated that if we carried the 25,000.00 over we might get some discontent at the town meeting but we would have 50,00.00 next year to do hot top. Board wants to carry 25,000.00 over.

Sharon stated that Nick Archer was taking full responsibility FOR Eldon's system. Hopefully this will be the end.

Sharon presented the board the easement that WE had agreed to sign for Mr. Martin. Signed by the board.

Irving oil said they would provide us with a diesel tank if MPG took there's out. Check to see what they are going to do.

Steve asked Sharon what she wanted him to discuss with Jim at the next NAWSA meeting. Sharon said that they were supposed to have picked up all the metal and white goods and that there was still some there. She would like Jim to have this cleaned up before winter.

The Planning board met and Sharon went to meeting. They had a speaker for tourism. Sharon felt this might be the way we want to go and also to use some of the money from the comprehensive plan. Board agreed but would also like to use some of the money for grant writing.

Sharon informed the board that Duane Belanger was going to be here on Sunday Nov. 2 at 6:00p.m. to give the townspeople a chance to ask him questions and to also go over the referendum questions with him.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p. m. 1.5 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Rafford

MEETING HOURS OF SELECTMEN

DATE	STEVE	PATRICK	GLORIA
11/08/96		1.0	1.0
11/20/96	1.0	1.0	1.0
12/04/96	1.5	1.5	1.5
12/18/96	1.0	1.0	1.0
01/08/97	1.0	1.0	1.0
01/24/97	1.5	1.5	1.5
01/16/97	3.0	3.0	3.0
01/27/97			2.0
02/05/97	3.0	3.0	3.0
02/28/97		1.0	1.0
03/05/97		2.5	2.5
03/21/97	1.5	1.5	1.5
03/24/97			2.0
03/28/97	1.5	1.5	1.5
04/02/97	1.0	1.0	1.0
04/09/97	2.0	2.0	2.0
04/11/97	1.0	1.0	1.0
04/24/97		1.5	1.5
05/05/97	2.0	2.0	2.0
05/07/97			4.0
05/08/97	2.5	2.5	2.5
05/16/97	1.5	2.5	2.5
05/28/97	2.0	2.0	2.0
06/09/97	1.0	1.0	1.0
06/10/97			1.0
06/12/97			4.0
06/25/97	2.5	2.5	2.5
06/28/97	2.5	2.5	
07/03/97		3.0	3.0
07/09/97	2.0	2.0	2.0
07/16/97		.5	
07/23/97		1.5	1.5
08/15/97		2.5	2.5
08/27/97	3.0	3.0	3.0
09/12/97	1.5	1.5	1.5
09/18/97	2.0	2.0	2.0
09/26/97	1.5	1.5	1.5
10/10/97	1.0	1.0	1.0
10/24/97	1.5	1.5	1.5
10/31/97	1.0	1.0	1.0
TOTALS	46.5	61.0	71.0
.25 HR/WEEK X 12 MO. = 12 HR FOR THE YEAR			
THIS IS FOR JUST STOPPING EACH WEEK TO SEE WHAT IS TAKING PLACE.			
	12.0	12.0	12.0
TOTAL HRS.	58.5	73.0	83.0
AT 8.00/HR	\$ 468.00	\$ 584.00	\$ 664.00

AGENDA
11/07/97
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 10/24/97

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

SIGN WARRANTS

OLD BUSINESS:

AUBREY CYR - OAK POINT
GRANTS
IRVING OIL
DUANE BELANGER
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS:

LETTER FROM GRACE NASON
BLACK HAWK MINING
COMPUTER
SEPTIC 98
OTHER

MINUTES
11/07/97
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond, Gloria Curtis, and Sharon Rafford.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of 10/24/97 as written. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with the public discussion period as no one was here. Motion carried.

Warrants were signed.

Some discussion was heard over the situation with Oak Point and Aubrey Cyr's trail. The board wants to meet with Aubrey in the spring when he returns from Florida, send him a certified letter requesting his presence.

Sharon stated that she had spoken to Linda Berube, NMDC, and she explained what we had to do to get grants through CDBG. The criteria has changed and there are some things that might hold us back from qualifying. She would like to meet with the board at the next meeting. Board agreed.

Sharon explained that she had pursued the option of getting our fuel from MPG and they had never gotten back to her. The board felt that we should get our heating fuel from Irving and still get our diesel from MPG. Sharon is to call both companies and inform them of our decision.

Sharon stated that she was meeting with Chris Fish next Wednesday to discuss contracting our public works. Our equipment is in poor condition and will need repair in the near future. Sharon informed the board that she had ok'd a new sand chain for the hopper. It just could not be repaired again and if we could we would be looking at more trouble down the road, we do not need to be repairing the sander in the middle of a big storm. Sharon had made arrangements with H.P. Fairfield to pay for it after we close the books if it was going to overdraw us for the year. We will pay for it if we do have the money at the close of our year.

Sharon and Gloria met with Duane Belanger, along with a few other interested citizens on Sunday. He went over the referendum questions and also answered any other concerns we had. Sharon said she was impressed with him.

Sharon presented the board with a letter from Grace Nason concerning the elderly. Grace expressed that the town should set aside one of the rooms in the building for meetings, games, lunches, etc. for the elderly. The board felt this was a good cause but felt that we should not jump into any thing without finding out how many would be interested in this. Have Grace show us some interest.

Wayne Mitchell Called Sharon and informed her that Black Hawk

Mining was still pursuing the Bald mountain project and not to listen to rumors that they have pulled out . He explained that the permitting process had been delayed by about 3 months, therefore creating that much of a set back in their time constraints.

Sharon asked the board if it would be ok to give the computer that is currently in Ralph's room to the fire dept. She feels the fire dept could benefit more from having it and also, this would help with reducing our ISO rating. It was moved and seconded to allow the fire dept to have the computer in Ralph's room. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to apply for more monies through the 1998 Small Community Septic Grant Program. Motion carried.

Under other business Steve said he had met with NASWA and that the reason we get Ricky Saucier to haul our metals off is because he is certified and we could get into a lot of trouble having someone else do it. Steve wants Sharon to call Jim and have all the metal picked up.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn at 4:00 p.m.. Motion carried. 1 hr.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
12/05/97
3:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 11/7/97

SIGN WARRANTS #61 - 64

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

LAURA AUDIBERT -- SCHOOL LOT

LINDA BERUBE -- GRANTS

OLD BUSINESS

FORECLOSURES -- OAKPOINT ASSOC.
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

GARY BONNEVILLE - TRANSFER STATION
SCANNER
DOT GRANT
OTHER

MINUTES
12/05/97
3:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Gloria Curtis, Pat Raymond, Sharon Rafford, and Amy Collins.

Amy approached the board about having another gymnastics program in January. We have approx 480.00 in the recreation account and the program would cost 500.00. She explains that she would charge each child 10.00 therefore subsidizing the 480.00. It was moved and seconded to go ahead with the program. Motion carried. Also Amy explained to the board that she was looking into purchasing swings for the new playground at the beach. They range from \$750.00 to about \$300.00, this would just be the hardware and we would have to provide the wood. The board feels they would like to see just how much it will be used and if it does go well stick with the wooden frame and buy the hardware for 300.00. At this time Amy left the meeting and Laura Auditbert joined the board.

Laura went over the written land management plan with the board. Some of her suggestions included are as follows:

- 1) Maximize your volume
- 2) Make the best of your marketable wood.
- 3) Have Contractor provide at least 1,000,000.00 in liability insurance.
- 4) Have contractor finish job, no leaving until job is complete.
- 5) Do a winter cut.
- 6) Have the eastern property line surveyed before next winter.

The board agreed with all of her comments and spoke of getting out a bid for a survey by spring so as to be ready next winter. The board thanked Laura for all her time associated with this project and told her they will keep her abreast of all their decisions. Laura left the meeting at this time.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Warrants #61 - #64 inclusive were signed.

Sharon explained that she had only one foreclosure and wanted to know if the board wanted her to give the owners a certain amount of time to recover their property. This involves paying all 3 years taxes and the town issuing them a quit-claim deed without covenants. Sharon informed the board that 30 days is usually the norm. It was moved and seconded to give property owners 30 days before it would be put out to bid. Motion carried.

Pat asked Sharon if she had met with Chris Fish. Sharon had and after considering all the pros and cons of contracting

the winter and summer roads maintenance Chris, along with his accountant , felt he could not touch it for what we do it for now. Again, when we have to purchase new equipment it might be a different story.

Sharon stated that Jim Strang came in to see her and asked her what was going on with the grant monies for the seaplane base. Sharon told Jim that we had received the money but she felt he should meet with the board. The board agreed to meet with Jim at the Jan. 5th meeting to discuss how they were going to work out the payment of the grant to him and what will be required on his part.

Sharon told the board that the furnace was working great and all Dave from Irving had left to do was fix one more valve that he was waiting for and to purge the system.

Sharon said that Gary Bonneville had approached her about putting a roll-off at the transfer station but it would cost us \$3000.00. Also he said he would guarantee that he would take the certification necessary for removing freon from appliances if we would contract with him. The board explained that because we were with NASWA that he would have to take his proposal to them.

Steve said he would talk to Jim about the metal left at the transfer station at his next meeting.

Sharon stated that she had purchased a scanner for the office so she and Kathy could be aware of any calls to the fire dept. therefore they could set off the whistle as soon as the call came in. This arouse when there was a fire and nobody was coming and the office was not abreast of the situation, so Sharon asked Herb if a scanner would help. Sharon feels that the fire dept should pay for half of the cost because we will be helping them out . The board agreed and Gloria said she would talk to Herb.

Sharon said that DOT has a grant out there to attract people to the area by making the town look good!! for alack of words. This grant can go as high as \$5000.00/ town and will only come good for capital investment costs only. Sharon suggested that we get hold of the Portage Lakers and the Fire Dept to help. Board felt this was a good idea.

The board asked if there had been any complaints or problems with the plowing. Nobody has had any complaints.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. 1.5 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford

AGENDA
3:00 P.M.
12/19/97

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES OF 12/05/97

SIGN WARRANTS #65 - #69

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

OLD BUSINESS

FORECLOSURES
DOT GRANT
OTHER

NEW BUSINESS

TAX MAPS
OTHER

MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 1997
3:00P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Belanger at 3:00 p.m. Those present were Steve Belanger, Pat Raymond and Sharon Rafford. Gloria Curtis was necessarily absent.

Warrants #65 to #69 were signed. Gloria signed on the morning of 12/19/97

It was moved and seconded to dispense with public discussion as there was no one here. Motion carried.

Sharon stated that the foreclosure that the town had was given until the 15th of January to clear up all taxes, liens and penalties, and interest. It was moved and seconded to allow the former owners to clear everything up and to issue them a quit-claim deed without covenants as long as they pay all costs on or before the 15th of January 1998. Motion carried.

Steve stated that he had met with NASWA and at the meeting the towns were informed that there would not be any increase in the commitment for the area towns. Steve also said that we were going to get the roll-off next spring as soon as they could get into the area. We will have to make a ramp.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of 12/05/97 as written. Motion carried.

Sharon presented the board with a proposal from Dan Bridgeham concerning having new tax maps done. The costs would be \$2800.00 and would consist of 11x17 in. maps with identification of the owners on the maps. The board felt this was a good idea so it was moved and seconded to have this put into the budget for this year coming. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to go into executive session at the next meeting at 2:30 for a personnel matter. Motion carried.

The board asked Sharon if she had any one to fill in for Russell when he was not available. They suggested that she call Laurel Theriault.

Pat asked Sharon if she could find out what happens to private landowners when their property becomes an endangered species area. Sharon would check.

As there was no other business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m. Motion carried. 1hr.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Rafford