

The Board of Selectmen held a meeting on Tuesday Oct 5, 2010, at the Dalton Municipal Building, Dalton, NH.

PRESENT: Chairman Crosby, Selectman St.Cyr, Selectman Hardy

## **Pledge**

### **1. Meeting Minutes**

**Motion:** *by Selectman St.Cyr to accept the minutes as posted.*

**Second:** *by Chairman Crosby*

**Vote:** *2-0-present*

### **2. Chairman's Comments:**

Chairman Crosby - Visited Brian Lee's operation and found everything excellent.

Chairman Crosby - In the future a Selectman should attend any BTLA hearing.

### **3. Officers reports:**

Sandy York - A decision needs to be made regarding the work fare program with Bruce Walsh.

**Motion** - *by Selectman St.Cyr to have Bruce Walsh work for the town in the work fare program.*

**Second** - *by Selectman Hardy*

Selectman Hardy - The Board would like to make sure that Mr. Walsh has no physical limitations.

Bruce Walsh - I have no physical limitations.

**Vote** - *3-0-0*

John Tholl - The dog summons have been issued. A stray dog was picked up and there was a dog bite.

Chairman Crosby - Officer Payla is in town now and we have received a lot of good comments.

Selectman Hardy - Questioned Chief Tholl about the Aug 29th issue of someone being in the cruiser with Officer St.Martin.

Chairman Crosby - That issue will be discussed in executive session as it is a personnel issue.

Selectman Hardy - questioned the phone system and where calls for the Selectmen go. It should be easier to call here.

John Tholl - Will look into having the message changed.

Maggie Michaud - No one has got back to us about replacing the poles for the sign. We would like to know if the flowers can be moved.

Selectmen - The flowers can be moved and a decision on the poles hasn't been made.

Maggie Michaud - The door and the sink were supposed to be removed and Doris Mitton would like a key for the door alarm.

Selectmen - John Tholl will get to the door and the sink and we will look into the key situation.

Maggie Michaud - Questioned if Doris Mitton was on the town's worker's comp yet.

Sandy York - Yes

Maggie Michaud - Questioned what was up with the heat.

John Tholl - There was a problem with the boiler going off but it is fixed now.

Jean Abbott - Doris Mitton should be able to control the heat.

John Tholl - We have programmable thermostats that go on 2 hours before she is here and shut off after she leaves.

Selectmen Hardy - Doris Mitton needs to communicate with John Tholl.

Selectman St.Cyr - Bob Wentworth is nursing the grader. Our road crew did an excellent job during the recent rain storm with our roads.

Chief Sheltry - Presented the Board with a purchase order for a stair chair for the first responder service. Sandy York helped us get a grant for \$1,100 towards this purchase.

Selectmen - signed the purchase order.

Selectman Hardy - questioned DNR requests for patients.

Chief Shely - Everyone learned that in class and we have to have written proof if there is a DNR order.

#### 4. Public participation

Brian Lee from White Mt Auto Broker presented what he has done to apply for a salvage yard. We have never sold parts before and if we become a salvage yard we will be selling parts on the internet not from our location.

Selectmen - asked several questions which Mr. Lee answered.

Selectman St.Cyr- visited the site and it was very impressive.

**Motion** - *by Selectman St.Cyr to look at and consider this application as soon as possible*

**Second** - *by Selectman Hardy*

**Vote** - 3-0-0

Sharon Tupper - The petition and the article in the paper regarding Chief Tholl are both out of line. These are personnel issues and should not be aired in the press. The article from Mr. Hardy has several falsehoods. Why would anyone want to be an officer for Dalton with everything that is going on. Mr.Hardy wanted an ethics policy at town meeting. This situation is a violation of ethics. Personnel issues need to addressed here and stay here.

Selectman Hardy - My position is clear.

Chairman Crosby - The police department could be better and things are being addressed and worked on. There is already a marked improvement. We will have the best department in Coos County. I do not deal with the papers.

Sharon Tupper - Tell the reporters that you only speak as a Board.

Chairman Crosby - Selectman St.Cyr and myself did not know anything about the petition. The issue should only be handled in executive session.

Selectman St.Cyr - I am not happy about the petition and we have told Selectman Hardy we are not happy. A copy of the policy regarding press releases is with the minutes.

Selectman Hardy - I am not giving up my rights as a US citizen for anyone. This police department has been dysfunctional for a long time.

Sharon Tupper - Again, things should not be played out in the paper. Maybe we should have a recall petition on Mr. Hardy.

Selectman Hardy - Would welcome one. People in town are not happy.

Amy Ingerson - Mr. Hardy you should not use freedom on speech in the paper as a Selectman.

Norman Gardner - Questioned neighbors burning garbage after dark.

Chairman Crosby - Notify Sandy York and she will find the right person.

Bill Howe - I have been working with Larry Rexford when he needs a test pit done. I thought I was still the Assistant Health Officer. There is no expiration date on my card. I have put Mr. Rexford in a bad position if I cannot do this. Mr. Rexford wants to work normal hours not evenings and Saturdays. That is why I did it.

Chairman Crosby - Mr. Rexford should get hold of Shawn St.Cyr.

Shawn St.Cyr - when Dean Sweeney left as health officer Bill Howe was done. I work with Larry Rexford and he is well aware of how to get a hold of me. I have never had a problem with a contractor in the 4 years I have been Health Officer.

Chairman Crosby - Give Mr. Rexford a call and get this one fixed.

**Motion:** *by Selectman St.Cyr to go into executive session for personnel issues and welfare.*

**Second:** *by Selectman Hardy*

**Vote:** 3-0-0

Selectmen - returned to regular session and motioned, seconded and voted to adjourn.