

**TOWN OF EAST KINGSTON, NH
SELECTMEN'S PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2009**

Attending: Selectmen Robert A. Caron, Richard S. Poelaert & David R. Pendell, Jr.

Chairman Caron called this Selectmen's Public Meeting to order at 6:30PM.

MINUTES: The Board reviewed the Selectmen's Public & Nonpublic Meeting minutes dated 1/05/09. Chairman Caron **MOTIONED** to approve and sign the Public Meeting Minutes dated 1/05/09. Mr. Poelaert seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Chairman Caron **MOTIONED** to approve and sign the nonpublic meeting minutes dated 1/05/09. Mr. Poelaert seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

REGISTER: The Board reviewed the check registers. Chairman Caron **MOTIONED** to approve and sign the last 2008 check register in the amount of \$11,887.30. Mr. Poelaert seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Chairman Caron **MOTIONED** to approve and sign the check register dated 01/08-1/09/2009 in the amount of \$511,661.00. Mr. Poelaert seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

INTENT TO CUT: The Board reviewed an Intent to Cut as submitted by David Sullivan. It was noted the Conservation Commission Chairman has already reviewed the application. Chairman Caron **MOTIONED** to approve and sign the Intent to Cut (form PA-7) for 08-135-01 for David Sullivan, on MBL #11-03-08. Mr. Poelaert seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Mr. Pendell joined the meeting.

SMITH: The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter dated 12/29/2008 from Peter Smith requesting waiving any penalty fees for late payment of property taxes on 91 Powwow River Road. He is waiting for confirmation from Probate Court to become executor of the estate and, upon appointment, he will be able to pay the property taxes due.

Mr. Poelaert, based on the circumstances, **MOTIONED** to waive any interest or penalty fees for late payment of the property taxes on 91 Powwow River Road (MBL #03-01-02), as requested, until 4/1/2009. Chairman Caron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LIBRARY: The Boards acknowledged receipt of the October 21, 2008 Library Trustees meeting minutes for their review. They are waiting to approve the November & December meeting minutes before providing them to the Board of Selectmen.

PLANNING BOARD: The Board acknowledged receipt of the 1/6/09 Planning Board meeting minutes for their review.

FEMA: The Board was informed of a meeting to be held on 1/15/09 regarding applying for assistance for the state of emergency declared during the December ice storm. It was noted the EOC Director will not be able to attend, but the Road Agent has agreed to attend. The BOS were also invited to attend.

UNITIL: It was noted Unitil has continued to keep the Selectmen's Office informed of power outages and restoration via email notifications since mid-December.

It was further noted the setting of the pole near the Town Hall was delayed due to the ice storm and snow storms that followed, so it is scheduled for this week.

RCCD: The Board acknowledged correspondence from Mary Currier, Executive Director of the Rockingham County Conservation District, addressed to USDA-NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation

Service) regarding the FRPP award for the R. Smith property. She will handle all of the correspondence on behalf of the Town.

LHS: The Board was asked for approval to proceed with ordering the election booths, as required by statute for the voters of East Kingston. Mr. Poelaert offered to pick them up to save the delivery charge of \$215+. Mr. Pendell **MOTIONED** to expend the funds to purchase 3 C's (masters) and 9L's (slaves), along with curtains (1/2 red and 1/2 blue w/stars), and two tabletop booths from LHS, (the State of NH provider). Mr. Poelaert seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

AMERICAN RED CROSS: It was noted the American Red Cross has asked for a proclamation. As in the past, the Board agreed to not include it on the warrant.

POLICE DEPT.: The Board acknowledged receipt of correspondence dated 1/6/09 from the Police Chief notifying them he has responded to the request he received regarding a complaint.

CITIZENS' PETITION: The Board was informed a citizens' petition has been received by the Selectmen's Office to repeal SB-2. It was further noted that the language to repeal SB-2 is specific, in accordance with RSA:40, and that it was submitted with improper language. (SB-2=RSA 40:13 was approved at Town Meeting 2008). It was noted, according to DRA, the warrant article could be amended at the deliberative session with the correct language.

The only other citizens' petition was received for the Planning Board to amend the Town Center District ordinance to extend inclusion from Freeman St. to the corner of Main St. and East Road (at Carmen's Rest.).

BUDGET/WARRANT: The Board was provided with originals of the budget at \$2,550,000, the default budget at \$2,436,000, and the warrant (election of officers #1, #2-#11 Planning Board articles, and #13-#28 Warrant Articles, for final approval and signature.

Mr. Poelaert **MOTIONED** to approve and sign the documentation as presented for the Notice, Budget, Default budget, and Warrant for posting. Mr. Pendell seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

SELECTMEN'S INSERT: The Board reviewed the Selectmen's Insert to be included in the Town Report. The warrant articles are listed with an explanation by the Board of Selectmen, and the Board's recommendation whether or not they are in favor of the article. The Board proceeded to vote on each article as follows: (see attached)

Vote to recommend: #12: 2-1, #13: 2-1, #14: 3-0, #15: 3-0, #16: 3-0, #17: 3-0, #18: 3-0, #19: 3-0, #20: 3-0, #21: 3-0, #22: 3-0, #23: 3-0, #24: 2-1, #25: 3-0, #26: 3-0, #27: 3-0, & #28 do NOT recommend: 3-0, but if article is amended to the required proper language, Board vote: 2-1.

It was also noted the Insert will be provided to those who apply for an absentee ballot.

Mr. Poelaert **MOTIONED** to approve and sign the Selectmen's Insert, upon completion, as discussed. Mr. Pendell seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Caron **MOTIONED** to adjourn this Selectmen's Public Meeting at 7:15PM. Mr. Poelaert seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert A. Caron

Richard S. Poelaert

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