

North Berwick Board of Selectmen's Minutes: June 19, 2012

NORTH BERWICK BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES JUNE 19, 2012

Present: Chairman Hart, Selectman Galemmo, Selectman Danforth, Selectman Folsom and Selectman Drew.

Also Present: Barry Abbott, Lynn Manley, David Bentley, Richard Anderson, Stephen Dumont, Chris Rosen, Michael Johnson Sr., Anthony Bourbon and Dwayne Morin.

Selectman Hart opened the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Hearing – 6:35 PM – PAY AS YOU THROW BAG FEE INCREASE

Selectman Hart opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.

Dwayne explained that this is the second meeting on the Pay as You Throw Program.

Dwayne discussed in great length the Pay as You Throw Program and the need for the Town of North Berwick to increase the bag fees.

David Bentley asked how about if MERC pulls out of Biddeford.

The Board of Selectmen responded that we are protected by the contract that we have with MERC if they close the facility in Biddeford. The Town's contract is with Casella and they would still have to take our waste. It would be Casella's plan to open a transfer Station in Westbrook and send the waste to the Juniper Ridge landfill in Old Town.

Selectman Hart closed the Public Hearing at 6:42 p.m.

3. Review and Approve Minutes of June 5, 2012

Selectman Galemmo moved to approve the minutes of June 5, 2012 as amended, Selectman Folsom seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

4. Public Input: No Public Input

5. Unfinished Business:

A. Special Town Meeting: Review Article with Budget Committee

Dwayne explained in great length the need for the Special Town Meeting with the Budget Committee.

Anthony Bourbon asked is it a ten year note.

Dwayne replied yes.

Anthony Bourbon asked that the bond rate will not change once you lock in.

Dwayne replied that once you are locked in; you are locked in.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING
NORTH BERWICK, MAINE
July, 24, 2012

COUNTY OF YORK – STATE OF MAINE

Barry Abbott, Chairman of the Budget Committee read the warrant article;

Article 2: Instead of issuing a lease purchase agreement to finance the purchase of a replacement pumper and accessories, as approved by March 31, 2012 Town meeting, shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue general obligation bonds or notes in the name of this Town in the amount not to exceed \$425,500.00, which bonds and notes may be made callable with or without premium, and to use the proceeds of this borrowing to purchase a replacement pumper and accessories for the Fire Department of the Town of North Berwick?

Financial Statement
Town of North Berwick, Maine

Total Town Indebtedness	
Bonds Outstanding and Unpaid	\$1,673,607.00
Bond authorized and unissued	\$2,000,000.00
Bond to be issued if this question is approved	\$ 425,500.00

Costs

It is the intention of the Board of Selectmen to borrow these funds from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. At an estimated interest rate of 1.65% the estimated costs of this bond over 10 year term will be:

Principal	\$ 425,500.00
Interest	\$ 48,768.48
Total Debt Service	\$ 474,268.48

The interest costs may vary depending on the term, interest rates and other details of these securities.

Validity

The validity of the bonds and the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

Fiscal Note: On March 31, 2012, the Tow Meeting voters approved the use of a lease purchase agreement to finance the purchase of the new fire pumper. It is anticipated that the Town can now borrow funds at a lower rate by using a different financing option other than the lease purchase option approved at the annual Town Meeting. The end result is the town expects to expend less funds by borrowing the funds for the fire truck instead of utilizing lease purchase option.

/s/ Dwayne G. Morin
Town Treasurer

It was moved by David Bentley to recommend approval of the warrant article, Anthony Bourbon seconded a motion. Vote of the Budget Committee members present, 7-0.

Selectman Galemme moved to approve the warrant, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

B. Tax Acquired Property: Sign Deed

Dwayne explained that at the last meeting the Board accepted the two bids for the Tax Acquired Property that the Town sold.

It is in order for the Board to sign the deeds for James and Marianne Benedict Map 4, Lot 35-A and Jeffery Janousek Map 3, Lot 13.

The Board of Selectmen signed the deeds for James and Marianne Benedict and Jeffery Janousek.

C. Dangerous Building: Randall Road

Dwayne updated the Board of Selectmen on the dangerous building on Randall Road.

The Code Enforcement Officer has sent a letter to the owners on Randall Road property.

The Code Enforcement Officer had the opportunity to talk to some of the neighbors and the people from the abandoned home have been coming back to the house very sporadically over the last two months and they have not stayed more than a couple of hours at any one time.

The Town is hopeful that the property owners pick up the letter that was sent out a week ago and move forward.

Reminders: Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting – June 19, 2012 - 6:30 p.m. Municipal building

6. New Business:

A. Fire Department: Award Contract to E-One for New Pumper

Selectman Galemmo moved to authorize contract between North Berwick and E-One Inc.,
Selectman Folsom seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

B. Fire Department: Motion to Utilize Town Funds with Reimbursement from Financing Proceeds

Selectman Danforth moved that the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town of North Berwick (the "Town") hereby declares its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2(e) of the Treasury Regulations that the Town reasonably expects to use the proceeds of a tax exempt lease purchase or general obligation bond financing to reimburse certain original expenditures to be paid from the Town's general fund, or paid within 60 days prior to adoption of this vote, Town, which original expenditures will be or have been incurred in connection with the purchase of a replacement pumper and accessories for the Fire Department (the "Equipment"); that the Town reasonably expects that the maximum principal amount incurred by the Town to finance the Equipment will not exceed \$425,500; and the Town Clerk is directed to file an attested copy of this declaration of official intent in the permanent records of the Town, which shall be reasonably available for public inspection, Selectman Galemmo seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

C. Fee Schedule: Adopt Fee Schedule for FY2013

Selectman Galemmo moved to approve the Fee Schedule, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion.
Vote, 5-0

D. Public Works: Award Contract to Milton Cat for New Backhoe

Selectman Galemmo moved to approve \$90,000.00 for the cost of the new backhoe, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

E. Personnel Policy: Review Social Media Policy Agreement

Selectman Drew moved to adopt the Town of North Berwick Personnel Policy Amendment Draft, Selectman Galemmo seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

F. Appointments: Review Appointments List for FY13

Selectman Galemmo moved to approve the Appointments for FY13, Selectmen Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

7. Other Business:**8. Review and Approve Warrants and Correspondence:**

Warrant: June 12, 2012 - \$13,835.23

Warrant: June 19, 2012 - \$417,907.73

Selectman Galemmo moved to accept the Warrants of June 12, 2012 for \$13,835.23 and June 19, 2012 for \$417,907.73, Selectman Danforth seconded a motion. Vote, 5-0

9. Adjournment:

Selectman Folsom moved to adjourn at 8:31 p.m., Selectman Danforth seconded a motion.
Vote, 5-0

Respectively Submitted:
Anita Merrow, Stenographer

Original to Town Clerk

Chairman: Larry Hart

Selectman: Charles Galemmo

Selectman: Paul Danforth

Selectman: Elaine Folsom

Selectman: Gregg Drew