MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S MEETING  
FEBRUARY 26, 2013  
WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

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Public Attending: Tom Reed, Geoffrey Monteith, Jill Burnham, Dick Avery, Beth Choate, Bill Appel and Steve Ball.

Employees Attending: Theresa Haskell, (Town Manager), Tim Coston (Transfer Station Attendant and Backup ACO) and Debbie French (Secretary to the Board).

Ray Bates called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Ronnie Brann made a motion to approve the Minutes dated 2-12-13 as read seconded by Rick Gray, Jr., and approved 5-0-0.

Public Comment:

a) **Petition for Withdrawal from the RSU # 12:** Town Clerk Sarah Cunningham said that there are 186 verified signatures. Ray said that a vote is needed to accept the petition and Ronnie Brann made a motion to accept the Petition to Withdraw from RSU # 12 as written seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 5-0-0. Ray said the next step is written by law to have a Public Hearing to then be able to put this on the Town Warrant. The law states to have a “Special” election. Ray asked Beth Choate if her mother, Bonnie Squiers, has looked into how to do this and Beth said she didn’t know.

b) **Cemetery Mowing:** Geoffrey Monteith of A J mowing and Repair came in with a bid on the mowing of cemeteries. He said that he does the cemeteries for the Town of Whitefield. He believes he is about $4,000.00 under the current person who is doing the mowing. He has a crew of five (5) with extra equipment. He told the Board that they clean off all the stones during the process. He mows every week during the season. Ronnie Brann said that he really likes what he hears from Geoffrey but, the Board has already given their word to the current person for this coming year. He added that next year the Board of Selectmen will be sending the Cemetery Mowing out to bid.

c) **Tom Reed – RSU – School Committee –** After 3 years any Municipal Town’s Board may request a local school board. (please see attached) Ray said that if we have a local school board set up and we did get out of the RSU we would already have a local school board.

Public Works:

a) Keith went home early from work sick. Theresa said that they had a few repairs but that things were actually going fine.

b) Dick Avery said there is a limb dangling over the Griffin Road that could come down anytime. Theresa said that it will be looked into. Ronnie said to call Tom Hawksley.

Transfer Station:

a) **Transfer Station Project Update:** Framing is all done and we are just waiting for the steel to come in. The steel should be in next week and then it will go on the roof.
b) Tim said they were hauling the can off today. They need to be working on having this be a straight roll off. Tim said he needs to get the woodpile burned right off.

c) Tim’s new schedule for the Public Works now is Thursdays from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

d) Tim asked about the lights at the Transfer Station and Ronnie Brann told him that he had talked with David Ballantyne about doing this and he said that he would within the next week or two.

Consideration of Payment Warrants # 36 & # 37:  Rick Gray made a motion to approve warrants #36 & #37 seconded by Ronnie Brann and approved 5-0-0.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Town Manager’s Items:

a) *Delta Ambulance Contract*: Jonathan Adams made a motion to authorize Town Manager Theresa Haskell to sign the contract between Delta Ambulance and the Town of Windsor seconded by Dan Gordon 5-0-0.

b) *2013 Spirit of America Recommendation*: Bill Flaherty from the Spirit of America Committee would like to see this recognition done at Town Meeting.

c) *General Assistance Compliance*: The Town of Windsor is in compliance with DHHS.

d) *Snowmobile Refund*: Ronnie Brann made a motion to approve the remaining 25% of the Snowmobile Refund Check to be divided between the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Windsor Youth Association seconded by Jonathan Adams and approved 4-0-1 with Rick Gray abstaining due to the fact that he is a Scout Master.

e) *Class – Roadway Fundamentals Workshop*: Roadway Fundamentals Workshop in Augusta on May 14, 2013 at the Augusta Elks Lodge. Theresa would like for her and Keith to attend this and anyone else who would like to go. The cost is $40.00 for the first attendee and then $25.00 for each additional attendee. The Board is fine with them going and Ray Bates is also planning on attending this class.

f) *OSHA Class*: No one will be attending this class.

g) *Annual Spring Meeting of the American Public Works Association (APWA)*: The fee for this is $35.00 each. Theresa would like to attend with Keith as they get a lot of information at these meetings. The Board is fine with Theresa and Keith attending this.

h) *Maine Natural Gas*: Theresa received a certified letter from Maine Natural Gas regarding public awareness.

Selectmen's Items:  Rick asked if there was a strategy to leaving a little bit of snow on the roads for traction during the last storm and Jonathan said yes there was.  Rick said all the roads were like that all the way to Gardiner.

Chairman Ray Bates adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on 3/12/13 with the following amendments: None.

The next Regular Board of Selectmen’s Meeting will be on March 12, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie French
Secretary to the Board of Selectmen