

# TOWN OF BELGRADE BOARD OF SELECT PERSONS & BUDGET MEETING

TUESDAY / JANUARY 15, 2008 / TOWN OFFICE / 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Convened 6:00 p.m. / Adjourned 7:40 p.m.

## Officials in Attendance:

Melanie Jewell, Select Person, Chair	Jack Sutton	Budget Committee & Transfer Station
Ricky Damren, Select Person, V. Chair	John Perry	Budget Committee
Richard Carey Select Person	Dennis Purington, Budget Committee	
Chris Merrow Select Person	Pam Tracy	Treasurer
Dan Newman Select Person	Loyce Hayslett	Library Board of Trustees
Nancy French Cemetery Committee	Carl Yeaton	Cemetery Committee
Bruce Galouch Transfer Station & Recycling Committee		
Dennis Keschl Town Manager		
Daniel Newman Select Person		

## Order of Business:

1) The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of the January 2, 2008 Select Persons meeting. Ricky Damren made a motion to approve of the minutes as presented. Richard Carey seconded the motion. **CLOSED 4/0/1 ABSTAIN (CHRIS MERROW)**

## Old Business:

1. The Board and the Budget Committee reviewed the following articles; **Articles # 21, # 23, #35, #41, #45 and article #47.** A petition was submitted from the Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area.  
**Article # 21** – Pam Tracy stated bullet # 4 in this article would change because of additional monies that need to be added into this article. She did not have the actual numbers available. Ricky Damren made a motion to table the article. Richard Carey seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**  
**Article #23** – Ricky Damren made a motion to accept the article. Richard Carey seconded the motion. There was some discussion concerning a \$2,000 carry forward from the Tree Committee that needed to be added into the article. Ricky Damren rescinded his motion. Richard Carey rescinded his second. Ricky Damren made a motion to approve of the article as amended with the \$2,000 carry forward. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **Select Persons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Budget Committee: For: 3 Against: 0 Absent: 2**  
There was some discussion on Article # 32. Jack Sutton stated he felt the general maintenance of the road should include paving. After some discussion it was agreed to add in potential future paving cost.  
There was discussion on Article # 34 and the Facility Maintenance Truck purchase. It was determined that the article should have a footnote to state that the truck purchase includes a sander and a plow.  
**Article #35**- Ricky Damren made a motion to accept the article. Chris Merrow seconded the motion. **Select Persons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Budget Committee Recommends: For: 3 Against: 0 Absent: 2**  
**Article # 41** – Ricky Damren made a motion to accept the article. Dan Newman seconded the motion. There was discussion concerning maintenance work, which needs to be done on two of the local dams. This work could be done over a two year time period. The Board and Budget committee decided to stay with the entire amount of Belgrade's share. **Select Persons**

**Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Budget Committee recommends: For: 3 Against: 0 Absent: 2**

**Article # 45** – Ricky Damren made a motion to accept the article. Chris Merrow seconded the motion. Select Persons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0

**Article # 47** – Ricky Damren made a motion to table the article until the property tax levy limit is finalized.

The Board reviewed the petition submitted by the Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area. Ricky Damren made a motion to accept the petition. Dan Newman seconded the petition. **CLOSED 5/0** Ricky Damren made a motion to place the Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area on the March 2008 Town Warrant for a financial request of \$1,500. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **Select Persons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Budget Committee Recommends: For: 2 Against: 1 Absent: 2** The Board decided they would hold another meeting on January 22, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Office to review the two-tabled articles and to make a contingency plan for the Town Meeting on areas that could be cut.

2. The Town Manager informed the Board he and the Clerk had not had an opportunity to get together to discuss what process of attempting to collect the Personal Property taxes they would like to follow. They will get together, draft a letter and then bring it back to the next Board meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup> for the Boards review. Ricky Damren made a motion to table the agenda item until February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**
3. The Board reviewed the contract drawn up by the Town Manager for the dispatch services being provided by the City of Waterville. The contract will run from January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008 through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008. The contract states the City of Waterville will provide dispatching services for Fire and EMS services to be available to the Town of Belgrade twenty-four hours per day. Ricky Damren made a motion to authorize the Town manager to sign the contract with the City of Waterville for Dispatching Services for the Town Of Belgrade for Fire & EMS. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**

#### **New Business:**

1. The Board reviewed the letter of resignation from Frank Haggan to the Budget Committee. Ricky Damren made a motion to accept the resignation of Frank Haggan. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0** The Board reviewed the application of Becky Seel to the Belgrade Library Board of Trustees. Ricky Damren made a motion to accept the application of Becky Seel to the Library Board of Trustees for a three-year period with her expiration date to be 2010. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**
2. The Board reviewed the contract between the Town and the Waterville Area Humane Society. The Town Manager stated the contract is for the same amount as last years. Melanie Jewell asked if we had contacted the Augusta Shelter to see what their cost was. The Town Manager said we would do that, but Waterville's contract has been less expensive than Augusta's in the past. Ricky Damren made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to sign the contract between the Town of Belgrade and the Waterville Area Humane Society. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**
3. The Board reviewed the request for a background check for a concealed weapons permit for Ray Hammond. Ricky Damren made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to sign the request. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0** The Board reviewed the request for a background check for a concealed weapons permit for Jacky Willohoite. Ricky Damren made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to sign the request. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**
4. The Board reviewed the information concerning the disbursement warrant for the Bureau of Motor Vehicle. There was discussion stating an ordinance could be voted on to approve of a single

- signature. Ricky Damren made a motion to leave the process of BMV Warrant signing as it is. Richard Carey seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**
5. The Board reviewed **Municipal Warrant # 3** for the amount of **\$433,990.12**. Richard Carey made a motion to approve of **Municipal Warrant # 3** for the amount of **\$433,990.12**. Chris Merrow seconded the motion. **CLOSED 4/0/1 ABSTAIN (RICKY DAMREN)**
  6. The Board reviewed **Manual Warrant #2311** for the amount of **\$4,978.06**. Richard Carey made a motion to approve of **Manual Warrant # 2311** for the amount of **\$4,978.06**. Ricky Damren seconded the motion.

**Updates & Announcements:**

- The Town Manager reviewed his updates with the Board. **(Please see the attached updates)**
- The Town Manager informed the Board the request for an abatement received from Russell DeJong, was within the 185 days he is allowed.

Ricky Damren made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.. Dan Newman seconded the motion. **CLOSED 5/0**

Respectfully Submitted  
Mary Vogel, Executive Secretary to the Board of Select Persons