

TOWN OF NEW IPSWICH

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MINUTES of the BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday

October 8, 2013

Board Members Present: George Lawrence, Chairman, Michael Conlin(6:38pm) and Benjamin Cargill (7:00pm). Also present was Town Administrator Roberta Fraser

1st Order of Business: Call the Meeting to Order/ Acceptance of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:38pm with the Pledge of Allegiance
Selectman Conlin *made a motion* to approve the minutes of October 1, 2013. Chairman Lawrence seconded it. Motion carried 2-0.

2nd Order of Business: Appointments

Allen Sheppard has previously volunteered to complete the fence at the park. He is working on it and needs at least 25 12ft 2x4s. The Board discussed this request and Selectman Conlin *made a motion* to authorize the purchase of the 12ft boards, to be paid out of the recreation department budget. Chairman Lawrence seconded it. Motion carried 2-0.

3rd Order of Business: Business

There is an application for the preliminary estimate for bridge aid to be signed and sent to the State DOT. This is the first step in applying for bridge aid for the bridge on Taylor Rd. that was recently closed.

There is a letter to G.W. Shaw & Son regarding the contract they were rewarded for the disposal of the municipal solid waste. Chairman Lawrence signed the letter.

Selectman Conlin announced that recreation basketball sign-ups will be held at the school on October 17, November 2 and November 12 from 6pm-8pm. The cost is \$15.00 per child.

There is a discussion regarding the cash flow for the town. Roberta explained that there are large payments that need to be made for the road projects that were approved at town meeting. There are also two more school payments that need to be made this year and the pool repairs to be paid for along with standard payroll and A/P's. The cash the town has right now is approximately \$1M. The school payments alone are \$1.2M. Roberta also explained that the tax bills are going to be delayed because the DRA is waiting for an adequacy calculation from the Department of Education in order to set each town's tax rate. The cash flow problem was created because warrant articles are approved in March and the work is paid for but not taxed until the final tax

bill in December, so it's not collected until then. After further discussion, Chairman Lawrence ***made a motion*** for Roberta to research rates and fees and the amount needed and to approve a TAN up to \$1.2M. Selectman Conlin seconded it. Motion carried 3-0.

There is a discussion regarding the Highway Block Grant that the town receives and whether it should be placed on the warrant as part of the budget or as a warrant article. Roberta will get more information for next week.

The board discussed the roads in town and the roads that have recently been repaired and paved and what ones should be done next.

The Board approved and signed the A/P's manifest and payroll

4th Order of Business: Adjournment

Chairman Lawrence ***made a motion*** to adjourn. Selectman Conlin seconded it. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm

Respectfully recorded,
Roberta Fraser

October 8, 2013 BOS Regular Minutes approved by the Board:

George Lawrence, Chairman

Benjamin Cargill

Michael Conlin