

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING
October 26, 2015**

Present: Chair, Ladleah Dunn, Arthur Durity, Rosendel Gerry, Arthur Durity, Keryn Laite, Jr & Town Administrator, David Kinney

Excused: Cathy Hardy

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Dunn at 6pm at the Lincolnville Town Office.

The quote was given by Selectman Laite.

1. Citizens' Forum:

There were none.

2. Administrator's Report:

David Kinney, Town Administrator, reported:

- Winter Sand: Winter sand is in the barn and ready for the upcoming winter season.
- Voting: Election Day is on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at the Lincolnville Central School's gymnasium from 8am to 8pm. Absentee ballots are available at the Town Office during regular business hours.
- Snow Plowing: Farley's & Son has been in contact with Road Commissioner, Bernard Young regarding setting up a time for a field trip to review the town roads. Gerry recommended that a rep from Farley & Son's attend the November 9th Select Board meeting to inform the public that they're ready for this winter season.
- Power at the Pier: The power has been patched back together at the pier, but not everything is functioning as it should be. The entire electrical service at the pier was lost and the electrician was able to replace the meter enclosure. More electrical work remains.
- The Hazen Family: Congratulations to Fire Chief Ben Hazen and wife Kristen on the birth of their daughter Adele Case Hazen.

3. Meetings & Announcements:

David Kinney, Town Administrator read the upcoming meetings.

Gerry reported that there will be a Veterans Memorial Meeting on October 28th at 6pm at the Lincolnville Community Library.

4. Upcoming Community Events:

Gerry reported there will be a Contra Dance at the Lincolnville Community Building on Friday, October 30th at 7pm featuring Karl's Dad's Reunion Band and all proceeds to benefit the kitchen and bathroom additions to the Community Building.

The Lincolnville General Store will host Halloween in the Center on Saturday, October 31st starting at 4pm.

The Lincolnville Fire Department will also host Trick or Treating for the kids from 4-8pm at the Lincolnville Fire Station.

5. Meeting Minutes:

Durity made a motion that the Board approve the October 13, 2015 meeting minutes. Laite seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

6. (6:30PM) Public Hearing – General Assistance Ordinance Amendments:

Durity made a motion that the Board open the public hearing concerning proposed amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance. Gerry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

There were no public comments.

Durity made a motion to close the public hearing. Gerry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

Durity made a motion that the Lincolnville Board of Selectmen adopt the Appendices A-D with an effective date of October 1, 2015. Laite seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

7. Board, Committee and Commission Appointment(s):

Lakes & Ponds:

Gerry made a motion to appoint Steve Thomas to the Lakes & Ponds Committee as a regular member, with a term expiring June 2016. Durity seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

Gerry made a motion to appoint Lys McLaughlin-Pike to the Lakes & Ponds Committee as a regular member, with a term expiring June 2016. Durity seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

Memorial Day Parade:

Durity made a motion to appoint Barbara Biscone as a regular member to the Memorial Day Parade Committee with a term expiring June 2016. Laite seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 3-0-1 vote. (Gerry abstained)

Durity made a motion to appoint Barbara Biscone at a Regular Member to the EMS Performance Review Committee with a term expiring June 2016. Laite seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

Budget Committee:

Durity made a motion that the Board appoint David Barrows to the Budget Committee with term a term expiring June 2016. Gerry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

8. Liquor License Renewal Application – Whales Tooth Pub:

Durity made a motion that the Board approve and sign the liquor license application submitted by the Whales Tooth Pub. Gerry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

The Board thanked Dorothee and Rob Newcombe for attending the meeting.

9. Discussion concerning Insurance Services Organization Public Protection Classification:

Durity requested that this item be added to the agenda as a result of an individual approaching him to see if the Town of Lincolnville could take steps to try to reduce its fire risk rating with a result the homeowners may see a reduction in their home insurance rates. This rating is established by ISO which is Insurances Services Offices, Inc. and they are an advisory organization that provides data and ratings to usurers/underwriters. Many insurance companies use this to determine fire insurance and homeowners' rates and the Town of Lincolnville is currently at a rating of nine. Durity explained that if we

can reduce the rating from nine to five, homeowners could see about a 10-15% rate reduction.

Kinney provided the Board with information concerning the Insurance Services Organization (ISO Public Protection Classification (PPC) ratings for communities in the area.

<u>Community</u>	<u>ISO PPC rating</u>
Lincolnvile	9
Camden (within 1,000' of a fire hydrant)	4
Camden (remainder)	9
Rockport (within 1,000' of a fire hydrant)	6
Rockport (remainder)	9
Rockland (within 1,000' of a fire hydrant)	4
Rockland (remainder)	9
Northport (within 1,000' of a fire hydrant)	6
Northport (remainder)	9

Durity was hoping that the Board could talk about exploring whether this was something to put some energy into to see if it would be a benefit.

Laité questioned whether or not the rating for the Town of Lincolnvile was accurate as he felt that the person that might have classified the town may not know what the operations are when it comes to the Lincolnvile Fire Department. The Fire Department has a tanker, shuttle operations, dump tanks, and mutual aid for those reasons and therefore the rating may go down by default, by asking just a few questions from the town.

Kinney has requested from ISO the current report on file for Lincolnvile and stated, "Once the report comes back he will sit down and review it with Chief Ben Hazen. It will probably come to some possible suggestions and now that we know that some others in our immediate area may have done some similar things, we can contact them to see how they were able to get a lower ISO rating and what is involved to achieve that rating."

Kinney will then report back to the Board once this information is obtained and if there would be some budget implications as the budget season approaches.

The Board unanimously agreed that it would be worth another look to find ways to reduce the rating from a nine to a lower number.

10. Treasurer's and Payroll Warrant(s) – Approve and Sign:

Durity made a motion that the Board approve the Treasurer's and Payroll warrants & Coombs Griffin Education Warrants. Laite seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

11. Executive Session – Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property (Title 1 MRSA § 405(6)(C)):

Gerry made a motion that the Board of Selectmen enter into executive session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405(6)(C) for the purpose of the acquisition of real property. Durity seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

12. Adjourn:

Upon returning to open session,

Durity made a motion to adjourn. Gerry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-0-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Geary
Administrative Assistant