

TOWN OF LISBON
Minutes of Town Board Meeting held on October 9, 2013

Present:

Supervisor James Armstrong	Councilmember Alan Dailey
Attorney Charles Nash	Councilmember Susan Duffy
Highway Superintendent Timothy Dow	Councilmember Gary Jarvis
Financing Advisor William Dashnaw	Councilmember Nathanael Putney

Guests: Attorney Nash took the minutes of this meeting, and did not take the names of the guests.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Deputy Supervisor Alan Dailey.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Minutes Approvals – The minutes of the September 12, 2013 Board meeting were approved on a motion by Nathanael Putney, seconded by Gary Jarvis. The vote was unanimous.
4. The Town Clerk's report was approved on a motion by Nathanael Putney and seconded by Gary Jarvis. The vote was unanimous.
5. The Justice Court reports were approved on a motion by Susan Duffy and seconded by Gary Jarvis. The vote was unanimous.
6. There were no budget transfers.
7. Approval of Abstracts. Deputy Supervisor Alan Dailey audited all the abstracts all the abstracts of bills during the meeting and Supervisor Jim Armstrong made a motion to pay the bills seconded by Nathanael Putney. The vote was unanimous.
8. Highway Superintendent's Report. Highway Superintendent Timothy Dow gave his report. Taxpayer Mark Ginn spoke from the audience at length concerning the condition of Sparrow Hawk Point Road. Mr. Ginn asked if reflectors could be put up, indicating that he had bought the reflectors. He also asked for the road to be worked on. He reiterated that he wanted the same treatment as the Randal Road, the Keys Road and the Beach Road. Highway Superintendent Dow disputed that there was road to the beach and said it was simply an access road for equipment. Nathanael Putney made a motion to accept the Highway Superintendent's report, seconded by Gary Jarvis. The vote was unanimous. The Board directed the Highway Superintendent to do what could be done in the very near future to work on the Sparrow Hawk Point Road.
9. Report from Committees. Gary Jarvis reported that the Planning Board did not have a quorum on October 7, 2013, and no business was conducted. With regard to campgrounds, Susan Duffy reported that she believed Donna McBath had ordered the software and they would have to discuss a computer for the software at the beach. It appears that to date, the beach expenses are approximately \$119,000.00 and the revenues are approximately \$147,000.00. Nathanael Putney reported on the Homecoming committee. They are already planning for next year, and things seem

to be going smoothly. Nathanael Putney reported that there was no new business with regard to the Museum committee. Gary Jarvis reported that there was no new business with regard to the Recreation committee. The Animal Control Officer report was accepted.

Legislator Mark Akins reported that the County is starting the budget process. The budget from the County Administrator does decrease property tax.

Tax Assessor Steve Teele was present for the purpose of going into executive session later in the meeting concerning the tax lawsuits.

With regard to old business, the Sparrow Hawk land was discussed. The time for the referendum has not expired. With regard to a no-smoking policy, Attorney Charles Nash is planning to get the County policy and this will be discussed in December.

With regard to new business, the attached Resolution # 15 was moved by Nathanael Putney, seconded by Gary Jarvis. The vote was unanimous. The records officer appointed was Donna McBath.

Michelle McLaugan, the Librarian, spoke. She did discuss the 9% increase and pointed out that over the past couple of years, there has been a huge increase in book circulation and use of the Library.

William Dashnaw discussed the tentative budget and answered questions, and basically went through the budget items, line by line. A motion was made by Gary Jarvis, seconded by Susan Duffy, to schedule the public hearing on the budget for November 4, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Town Clerk Donna McBath is to advertise said public hearing at least five days prior to November. 4th.

A motion was made by Gary Jarvis, seconded by Nathanael Putney, to go into executive session at 9:40 p.m., for purposes of discussing the pending lawsuits regarding the tax assessments and the task force negotiations.

Councilman Alan Dailey left the meeting at 10:10 p.m. At 10:11 p.m., Susan Duffy made a motion to come out of executive session, seconded by Gary Jarvis.

Attorney Charles Nash was directed to follow the parameters of the discussion in executive session and to communicate with Mahlon Clements with regard to the potential settlement of the tax assessment lawsuits.

A motion was made by Susan Duffy, seconded by Nathanael Putney, to participate in the Task Force negotiations and to negotiate the amount the Town will contribute toward legal fees. The suggested amount was \$5000.00 rather than the initial amount the Task Force asked of \$10,000.00.

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Gary Jarvis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m., seconded by Susan Duffy. The vote was unanimous.

Charles Nash

Guest: Ruth Green, Jena Swan, Erik Swan, Michelle McLaughan Steve Teele, Mark Akins and an unknown person.