

Kingfield Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Monday November 2nd, 2015, 6:00 PM Webster Hall 38 School Street

Attendance: Heather Moody, Wade Browne, John Dill Raymond Meldrum, Brian Hatfield, Leanna Targett, Lauren Abbate, James Paul, Raylene Tolman, Dee Menear, David Guernsey and John Goldfrank.

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Selectman Browne makes a motion to accept meeting minutes with a note there are a few spelling errors needing correcting. Seconded by Selectman Meldrum. All in Favor.

Next item of business is the review of October financials. Selectman Dill asks if we have received any money from the State yet for tar – URIP/LRAP. AA, Targett states that we don't usually get money until December as they had changed their pay schedule instead of quarterly it is once a year. Selectman Browne asks about the water line for the fire department – was that the line going into the station. AA, Targett says yes. Chairman Moody asks for any more discussion on the financials and notes that we can always review again if needed.

Chairman Moody then moves discussion into Mill Street easement. She states that the board has a suggestion of a letter to review provided by David Guernsey to the Kingfield downtown property owners. Chairman Moody says she has reviewed it and likes it. David Guernsey provides colored pictures of the Main Street parking spaces. David says you can see what DOT provided in order to have the sidewalk all the way down the street they had to move it in front of the Irregular so it becomes parallel parking which is three spaces instead of diagonal parking and with Mill Street open you will lose parking because you need to have access. The second drawing shows if we move the sidewalk back, which will not be handicapped accessible if front of the Irregular but DOT said we could do that and if we close off the Mill Street stub we can go to all diagonal parking which would add approximately 9 parking spaces back in although there is a little bit of a jut in front of the Irregular so you may lose one or two there which would still give 7 parking spaces which is quite significant. Now this plan came in April and the road reconstruction sent some comments to DOT. In July we stated that we want to hear from the public before we do any real talking with them and we had hoped this summer there would be more discussions on Mill Street and the parking in that area and one thing lead to another and we decided that we would let the VEC carry the ball and see what happens but the last meeting that I attended here with the board the discussion was tabled as there were so many diverse interests with different views and with DOT wanting to finish up their plan this spring as they were talking about a public meeting in November which I hope to put off until the beginning of next year. I think we are now facing time constraints. We have been in line with what I heard from the board that the town doesn't want to spend any more money on designs or lawyers unless the people in that area are interested in it and that is the point of this letter. David says I did add one more item to the agreement which the town doesn't have to commit to at this point but if you going to send that out in good faith you would need to agree. David says basically (and this has been discussed before) they would need to establish some sort of a public way down on the existing Mill Street to satisfy what is needed for the Corro's and Dennis Bare to get to the back of his building which he does not by using Mill

Street so that is number one but really if the town wanted to lay out a way down there I don't think there would be any damages. David says I talked to Don Fowler and he said he thinks any appraiser would probably look at it and say it improves the property by having a town way on it so it wouldn't award much but that is not really the point. The second condition is to close of the Mill Street stub which would be from the Main Street access and having the additional parking. The third is that there has to be some provision to make that a pedestrian way because if you raise that sidewalk you will need a retaining wall and stairs which will be a bit of an increase in the construction budget from the Route 27 rehab. There are a lot of options with this including making it handicapped accessible which will take a bit of engineering work before we can come up with any recommendations. The first thing to do is see if the property owners will sign this agreement and then I would feel comfortable asking for some budget money for lawyers and engineers to come up with a plan and if they are not interested or don't want to do it then we leave it the way that it is. Selectman Hatfield tells David that he appreciates him doing this. Selectman Browne says it looks good. Chairman Moody agrees and says that it address everyone's concerns. David says he hopes so; he has drafted a letter to send to the Corro's to explain this. Chairman Moody says she thinks it addresses everyone's concerns including the boards and we probably should have asked Dave to address these months ago. David said the one thing I don't want to get involved with is the parking down there or the park, maybe this is going to lead to it as it is a good step. Selectman Dill asks does everyone need to sign off on this. Selectman Browne says he would think so. Selectman Dill says he is wondering about Paul Coburn as he has not been excited about signing off on anything but then again it doesn't really affect him. David says he is going to bring Paul a copy but we are not expecting him to sign off on this but he needs to know what is going on. David say Paul has some legitimate damage if you put a road through his property. Selectman Browne says thank you for doing this, my concern was if we are going to try to close that off to try to make more parking that we are losing from 13 and the gaining 7 or so more that is a great game plan but you need to do it effecting everyone that is down there and just by reading what Leanna has been finding truly that is in my eyes and I am not a lawyer it looks like the stub is a right of way to the back. David says it is a little unclear and that is why I say of everyone wants to pursue this then we could come up with a plan of how we want to approach this whether we need to dig around the registry more by Don Fowler is willing to assist us as it will not be a conflict for him. Chairman Moody says the first step is to send this out. Selectman Hatfield makes a motion to approve this letter and to have it mailed out. Seconded by Selectman Dill. All in favor.

Chairman Moody says the next item is to have a vehicle inspection station at Public Works and asks if this is what we talked about the last meeting. AA, Targett says yes she briefly brought it up to the board and the board wanted to think about it. It is basically having Travis hang his license in the garage for Town vehicles only which would be waste water, public works and the fire department. The license itself will cost \$13.00. Selectman Browne makes a motion to allow that to happen as it will only benefit the town. Selectman Dill asks where do we go now. AA, Targett says Calvin used to come to us in Public Works but he is no longer doing it and she believes the fire department has had an issue or two finding someone. Selectman Dill seconds motion. All in favor. Next is banking services – Chairman Moody asks AA, Targett did you figure out what you want to do. AA, Targett says that she and Raylene sat down with Skowhegan Savings and I felt comfortable

with what they were going to offer to us they really do want to work with us. They are not giving us all the bells and whistles that Androscoggin offered but they are local and my opinion was to give them a go – and Raylene agrees. Chairman Moody says so that is just staying where we are. AA, Targett says yes and moving all the other accounts in Bangor Savings, Franklin Savings and the Credit Union. However we would like to keep a small checking in the Credit Union as a just in case. AA, Targett says Skowhegan will offer much more in FDIC insurance then we were receiving at the Credit Union, Raylene is constantly taking money from the credit union and bring it to Skowhegan Savings as it has been uninsured. AA, Targett says with the sweep services that Skowhegan has offered we will be earning more bang for our buck. Chairman Moody asks will they charge us fees. AA, Targett says no. AA, Targett says the only fall-out is that with Andro they wanted us to sign a 3 or 5 year contract which has both pros and cons and with Skowhegan they do not and will not offer a contract; which means we are not tied down in any way - maybe in a year or two we decided to move our funds to another bank. Selectman Browne says we already left this up to you to decide what was best. AA, Targett says she wanted the board to know of her decision.

Chairman Moody says she has a renewal liquor license for One Stanley Avenue. Board reviews license and Selectman Dill makes a motion to approve. Seconded by Selectman Meldrum. All in favor.

Chairman Moody states that the animal control officer is resigning as of the end of the year being December 31st so that we know and we should put it out in the press and advertise in the Irregular. AA, Targett says she knows of two people who would really like to do this. Chairman Moody says she knows of a few as well. It is agreed to advertise in next week's paper.

Town Meeting re-enactment. AA, Targett explains that Tammy Goldfrank had questioned if the board would be agreeable to a reenactment of the first town meeting during our Town Meeting in June this upcoming year. Her thought was maybe when we take a break. Selectman Dill asks how long it would take. AA, Targett says she doesn't know. Selectman Browne says he like the idea and would suggest doing it before the annual meeting so there would be some entertainment before the real work begins. Selectman Dill asks does she have people that will do it. Chairman Moody says she thought this board should do it. AA, Targett says she will be looking for volunteers.

Chairman Moody says there is a sewer commitment to review and sign. Basically it is for billing Winter Inn now that they are on the system. Selectman Browne makes a motion to sign. Seconded by Selectman Dill. All in favor.

Chairman Moody asks for a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Chapter 13 Simmons Fund request **and** pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)F Discussion of Confidential Records – Upcoming Auction of Town Owned Property **and** 405(6)A Personnel Matters - Discussion with Select board on personnel practices. Selectman Browne moves motion. Seconded by Selectman Dill. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn by Selectman Browne. Seconded by Selectman Hatfield. All in Favor