

TOWN OF BRADFORD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA MINUTES
6:00 PM Thursday, December 4, 2014

Item 1. Open meeting. Chairman Edward Nevells opened the meeting at 6:02PM.

Item 2. Approval of Minutes. Selectman Ronald Jack made a motion and Selectman Errol Hanson 2nd to accept the November 20 minutes as read. All in favor.

Item 3. Executive Session:

a. **Raegan LaRochelle – TIF consultant.** Selectman Ronald Jack made a motion and Selectman Errol Hanson 2nd to go into executive session at 6:07PM under 1 MRSA 405 6 (d) to consult with TIF consultant. All in favor.

Selectman Ed Nevells made a motion and Selectman Vance Corliss 2nd to come out of executive session at 6:50PM. All in favor.

Selectman Ronald Jack made a motion and Selectman Vance Corliss 2nd to hire Reagan LaRochelle for the TIF jobs. After discussion, it was decided to talk to John Cleveland, also, regarding the new TIF. Selectman Ronald Jack rescinded motion and Selectman Vance Corliss rescinded 2nd.

Decision of TIF consultants tabled until further discussion with John Cleveland regarding a new TIF in addition to the amended TIF.

Item 3: BOS Concerns: Skipped BOS concerns, went to open session first, then came back to BOS concerns.

a. **Bruce Bailey.** None.

b. **Vance Corliss.** None.

c. **Errol Hanson.** Mentioned addition on the building.

d. **Ronald Jack.** Questioned the town truck being used on a Saturday.

e. **Edward Nevells.** None.

Item 4. Open Session.

Steve Saunders asked if some trees on the corner by Jesse Young's on Gravy Lane be cut.

Karen Ploss was present and inquired about a delay in the town foreclosing on her property. She paid off 2012 completely and offered to make payment of 2013 and 2014 taxes in full by April 30th, 2015. Selectman Vance Corliss made a motion and Selectman Errol Hanson 2nd to agree to those terms, reserving the right to automatic foreclosure in the event payment is not complete by May 1, 2015. All in favor.

Paul Wickett contacted Ed and agreed to pay taxes on 456 Main Road. He has paid \$1000 and will pay the remainder by December 31st, 2014. Selectman Vance Corliss made a motion and Selectman Errol Hanson 2nd to agree to those terms, reserving the right to automatic foreclosure in the event payment is not complete by May 1, 2015. All in favor.

Item 5. Committee Reports.

a. **Planning Board.** CDAC: They are still working on a utility credit for new or expanding businesses in Town.

They thanked the townspeople and selectmen that showed up on a Sunday to help build the skating rink for Winterfest.

The plan is to have some live music for Winterfest. They would like each group to perform in 2 hour increments. Winterfest is scheduled for February 7th, Saturday, from 11AM-7PM. They also plan on having craft vendors, a chili cook-off, a cribbage tournament, and snowman building.

The planning Board is proposing a new building permit. They have constructed a park ordinance and a smoking/drinking ordinance for the Town's approval. They need a few business friendly letters to complete the business friendly community application.

- b. **CEO.** Has been in contact with Ed Bearor. Will be working on problem.
- c. **Recreation Committee.** None.
- d. **Fire Department.** They received a grant from MMA for new traffic safety vests. It is a 75%-25% grant. The new turnout gear is ordered. They did live burn training in Charleston. They are working towards more joint training.
- e. **Road Commissioner.** None. It was requested to have the roads final grading begin around the first of October. It was mentioned we have no control over mother nature and rain.

Item 6. Old Business.

Item 7. New Business.

- a. **Town Manager.** Ed had talked with Sue Pelgrim at MMA Legal and it was suggested that a tax collector settlement form be completed by an outside auditor. It's a quick audit on the taxes. It was also suggested to have a background check done on the final choice.
- b. **Budget.** The review of the budget was scheduled for Monday, December 8th, at 6PM.

Item 8. Correspondence. The Penobscot County Commissioners had sent their report regarding the breakdown of tax for each town in Penobscot County. Bradford's portion is in the range of \$76,000.

Item 9. Request for Additional Agenda Items. None.

Item 10. Review of Treasurer's Warrants - #'s 70, 71, 72. Signed.

Item 11. Executive Session. None.

Item 12. Adjournment. Chairman Ed Nevells adjourned at 9:02PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois Jones, Town Manager

Vance Corliss

Errol Hanson

Bruce Bailey

Edward Nevells

Ronald Jack