

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
November 25, 2008**

**Selectmen in attendance: Judith L. Churchard, Robert W. Frizzell, Jason A. Cole**

The meeting was opened at 6:30 pm.

**Laura Bragg – Town Clerk:** Came before the Selectmen with several issues:

- The meeting with school Principal Tom Ledue and Assistant Principal Sandy Fletcher in regard to using the old Selectmen's Office at LES went well. It was agreed that the election materials would not be removed and Laura moved what items she could out of the office.
- Need to set an election date for June, 2009. Selectperson Churchard made a motion that June 9, 2009 would be the election date; Selectman Frizzell seconded and all were in favor.
- Suggested joining Berwick and North Berwick to address the School Board members with our concerns about the school budget. This may have more impact on their decisions. Laura also made the point that if all town departments make budget cuts and the school budget goes up next year, then we haven't gained anything. The Selectmen agreed joining the other two towns is a good idea.
- There is a ballot clerk who has been doing the job for 40 years and is retiring from the position. Laura would like to recognize her with some sort of presentation at a Selectmen's meeting. The Selectmen agreed.
- Laura asked if the Town Report cover would again be designed by the students at the Lebanon Elementary School. The Selectmen said they thought this is a great idea. Laura will speak to the Art teacher.
- URIP money – Senator Richard Nass said the State highway fund was down about 6%. He told Laura for budgeting purposes the town should figure receiving a total of \$95,364, which is distributed quarterly. Senator Nass will keep abreast of the situation.

**Budget Committee Alternate:** Selectman Frizzell made a motion to nominate Milt Olson as Budget Committee Alternate for 2008-2009 term; Selectman Cole seconded and all were in favor.

**Parking Lot Striping:** Selectman Cole asked if the original Town Office paving bid included striping; the answer was no. The striping will be put out to bid in the Spring.

**NIMS 700:** Selectperson Churchard wants Bob Bohlman, York County EMA Director, to teach a class at the Town Office for all town employees who need this certification. The class will not be held until next year.

**Chris Gilpatrick:** Handed out a page from the No. Berwick Town Report showing figures from their Transfer Station/Recycling Center (see attached). He spoke to Dwayne Morin at the Transfer Station in regard to getting rid of items containing Freon. Apparently the Transfer Station charges residents \$10.00 to get rid of items with Freon, then pay \$9.00 of that for Freon removal and the Transfer Station keeps the \$1.00. Then they receive the money for scrap metal. No. Berwick also has a Swap Shop set up at their Transfer Station and Chris suggested this would be a great idea for Lebanon. Selectperson Churchard said a resident, Erin Mann, had come to talk about this idea and the Selectmen referred her to the Transfer Station to discuss with Ron Patch so something could be done.

Chris also brought up the fact that it cost \$90,000 to run the No. Berwick Transfer Station last year. No. Berwick also has a pay/bag program at \$1.00 per bag. This brought in \$50,000 for the town. Dwayne Morin told Chris he would be happy to meet with the Selectmen to discuss these issues. Laura Bragg mentioned that Lebanon, Berwick, North and South Berwick used to get together for dinner and discussion of similar issues 2-3 times a year.

Chris has concerns about people going to the Transfer Station with NH registrations. Selectperson Churchard said this is being looked into for not only that issue, but also other vehicles unregistered in town.

He also expressed the need to stop people pushing snow across the road as it is very dangerous when the plows are doing their job. Town Attorney, Alan Shepard will be asked what can be done.

**Glen Stadig:** Asked the Selectmen to please explain what topic they are discussing so he and the people viewing the webcam will understand.

Selectperson Churchard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm; Selectman Cole seconded and all were in favor.