

BRENTWOOD BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF 12/30/08

Convened: 6:30 p.m.

Present: David Menter
Kevin Johnston
Jeffrey Bryan
Andrew Artimovich
George Waldron

The Board met and reviewed payroll, accounts payable, and signed the register. The Board reviewed and signed the recreation register.

Jonathan Ellis was in to present the weekly Treasurer's report.

The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of the 12/23/08 meeting. Waldron made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Johnston, all voted in favor.

The Board reviewed the notes:

- The Selectmen would like Julie to run by legal counsel the idea of the affordable housing complex proposed on property to be leased from Rockingham County.
- The ice storm debriefing is scheduled for 1/6/09.
- The Selectmen will allow employees to hold over up to 80 hours of vacation time from 2008 to 2009.
- Daniel Baldwin of Rousseau Lane called to say "thank you" to the highway department for the great job they've been doing with plowing. He's sure they don't hear that nearly enough and wants to make sure they know he appreciates it.

The following documents were signed:

- An abatement form for the interest charges on the first bill for 2008 real estate taxes for Christina Hardy as voted at the 12/23/08 meeting.
- Menter signed a completed questionnaire for Plodzik & Sanderson regarding the Town's financial procedures.

Wayne Robinson, Road Agent, was in to inform the Selectmen that the guard rail on the South Road Bridge was hit by one of the plows and is broken. He has not yet checked it out thoroughly but will do so to determine the extent of damage. The Board agreed that if Robinson finds it to be beyond their scope of repair that he should get a price from Delucca Fence to replace it. In addition, Robinson mentioned that he was surprised by the amount of the towing bill to get 2 of the plow trucks pulled out when they got stuck during the recent storm. The Board suggested he call the company and complain. Julie will hold the check until she hears from Robinson.

Gil Tuck, Building Inspector, was in to wish the Selectmen a Happy New Year.

The Board reviewed bids from BayRing Communications and One Communications for phone service. Both proposals would be a savings over our current carriers. One

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Communications did not include internet and was the less expensive of the two. Both companies are offering an incentive of 1 free month if signed by year end. The Selectmen would like Julie to check with BayRing to see if they could quote a price excluding internet and would also like to check with Comcast for bundled phone and internet. They gave Julie the authorization to sign with whichever one comes up with the best offer between now and the end of tomorrow, 12/31/08.

The Board voted to encumber the following funds:

- Waldron made a motion to encumber \$28,000 from the Tax Appraisal line item per the signed contract for the first installment of data collection for tax assessment purposes. Motion was seconded by Artimovich; all voted in favor.
- A motion was made by Johnston and seconded by Waldron to encumber \$3,000 for Planning Board Circuit Rider Long Range. All voted in favor.
- Following a motion by Waldron and second by Bryan, the Board voted in favor of encumbering \$850 from the General Government Improvements to Buildings line for Crichton Communications & Electrical Services to complete the necessary electrical work resulting from the addition of a wall in the Selectmen's office.
- Artimovich made a motion to encumber \$450 from the General Government Improvements to Grounds line for Tri State Striping to reline the Town Office driveway and parking area. Waldron seconded the motion; all voted in favor.
- Johnston made a motion, seconded by Waldron, to encumber \$810 from the Recreation Improvements to Grounds line for the lining of parking spaces at the BCC by Tri State Striping. All voted in favor.
- A motion was made by Artimovich and seconded by Bryan to encumber \$1,873.75 for Conservation Commission Auditing of Easements per a contract received by Southeast Land Trust. All voted in favor.
- Waldron made a motion to encumber \$75,275.42 from the warrant article for the Crawley Falls Bridge refurbishment. This amount represents the balance of the contract with Hoyle, Tanner for their engineering services. The motion was seconded by Artimovich; all voted in favor.
- 2 or 3 more encumbrances may be presented for approval at next week's meeting.

At 7:25 p.m. Artimovich made a motion, seconded by Waldron, to adjourn. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Stevens