

**TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**January 6, 2015**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Bill Trevaskis, Linda Darling, Merton Howard & Kat Alexander

SELECTMAN ABSENT: Jon Emerson

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Joe Stone

AVAILABLE: TAX COLLECTOR, Janice Hopkins

AVAILABLE: TREASURER, Joette Adams

ALSO PRESENT: Pat Curtis, Doug Record, Kathy Macy, Jeff Crawford

1. Bill Trevaskis called the Meeting to order at 4:00 PM

2. **Motion to approve the Minutes of December 30, 2014**  
**Made by Alexander, seconded by Darling**

**Approved 4-0-0**

3. **Public Comment** – None

4. **Treasurer's Report**

- a. Approval of Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries:
- b. Review of Journal Entries

Warrant # 1	in the amount of	\$25,525.06
Warrant # 1-A	in the amount of	\$3,160.11
Payroll Warrant # 51	in the amount of	\$2,554.50
Sewer Warrant #29	in the amount of	\$587.56
Water Warrant#31	in the amount of	\$1,282.13

**Motion to approve Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries**

**Made by Darling, seconded by Howard**

**Approved 4-0-0**

5. **Correspondence:** None

6. **Reports:**

a. Administrator:

i. Clinic

- 1. The need for, and funding of, a "Personal Care Assistant" will be taken up during the 2015 process of developing the Town budget
- 2. Provisions of provider contracts will be reviewed during the budget process.

ii. Sewer Department:

- 1. Dept. personnel have been in contact with Ted Berry Co. and have developed a preliminary plan to isolate sections of the collection system in an effort to identify I & I.

- iii. DEP/DMR:
    - 1. Work has begun on one of the two identified failed septic systems (no update)
  - iv. Water Department:
    - 1. The PUC has accepted cancellation of the original rate case. New one has been submitted, following the December Town Meeting on raising the Public Fire Protection from 30 to 38%. Public Hearing scheduled for 1/29.
  - v. Bartlett's Harbor
    - 1. No update
  - vi. Ferry Service
    - 1. The Town's request for an explanation of the Ferry Captains' letter to the USCG on barring passenger traffic when propane is transported has not been answered.
  - vii. Legal
    - 1. Superior Court has scheduled a Hearing on the Wolfram suit for March 4
  - viii. Town Properties
    - 1. No updates
  - ix. Watson Airstrip
    - 1. We will be in conversation with Blake Whitman when he returns from traveling.
- b. Sheriff's Dept:

Date	Incident	Deputy
12/29	Property checks	Polky
12/30	Property checks	Polky
1/5	Theft, recovered property	Polky

**7. Old Business:** None

**8. New Business:**

- a. *Planning Board:* Members of the Board were present to bring the Selectmen current on what they have been working on. Chair Curtis reported that in addition to its routine business, the Board had temporarily put their work on the Land Use Ordinance to one side while they completed the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. Since the latter is all but complete and follows state guidelines closely, most of the discussion centered on the Land Use Ordinance. Selectmen and Planning Board members concurred that the core of a new or amended ordinance would most likely include a newly defined Village District and would attempt to address mixed use, as well as language as to setbacks, lot coverage, lot size, parking and so on that would conserve the character and streetscapes of the traditional village and continue to allow conditional commercial uses. PB members would like to strengthen provisions of the Ordinance that address all land uses, including such features as ponds and berms. Selectmen and Stone will investigate whether the mapping work being done under contract with CAI will allow for more detail in the Ordinance on potential impact on streams and wetlands. Most likely, even before a revised Land Use Ordinance is ready for voter approval, the PB will recommend an article for the 2015 Town Meeting amending the outdated fee schedule for permits. The PB accepted Selectmen's suggestion that they investigate employing a consultant to help wrap their work up on the Land Use Ordinance and that the cost could be incorporated into the upcoming 2015 budget deliberations. Both boards discussed tactics for raising

public awareness of necessity of permits *before* work begins, and for the special restrictions that apply to the Shoreland Zone, particularly tree cutting.

- b. *School Board:* Search Committee members Curtis and Darling reported on their work in identifying a potential replacement for resigning School Board member Karen Cooper. Selectmen were agreed that Heather Cabot would be a very good choice to replace Cooper, whose term would have ended in any case, March 2015.

**Motion to appoint Heather Cabot to School Board until Town Meeting 2015**  
**Made by Darling, seconded by Howard** **Approved 4-0-0**

- c. *Boston Post Cane:* Selectmen were in concurrence that as a result of the recent death of Sam Beverage at the age of 97 on December 18, Lew Haskell, who will be 95 in March, was now the oldest resident of North Haven and therefore the next recipient of the Boston Post Cane. Arrangements will be made for a presentation.
- d. *Sewer Department:* Selectmen reviewed and approved the proposal from Stevens Electric to repair and upgrade the Thayer lift station and the one on Doug Stone's property. The cost of materials and labor will be \$12,371.97 for both stations. There will be additional charges for transportation, lodging and possibly for a pump out.

**Motion to approve proposal from Stevens Electric, as described above**  
**Made by Howard, seconded by Darling** **Approved 4-0-0**

**9. Other:**

- a. Darling will be calling in on 1/13
- b. Howard announced that he will not seek another term on the Board of Selectmen
- c. Selectmen asked Stone to ask Elliott Brown if he would add the driveway of the house the Deputy is using to the plowing list.
- d. PB member Macy had suggested that Selectmen consider making Smith St. one way in the summer, except for the occasional transport of stored boats down to Brown's.

**Motion to adjourn at 5:47 PM**  
**Made by Darling, seconded by Howard**

**Approved 4-0-0**