

# BOARD OF SELETMEN MEETING JANUARY 9, 2014 MINUTES FRENCHVILLE TOWN OFFICE at 6:30 P.M.

Present: Percy Thibeault, Camille Bernier, Andrew McQuarrie

Others: John Davis, Eric Blanchette

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Percy Thibeault at 6:20 pm.

A. Minutes- A motion was made by Andrew McQuarrie, Seconded by Camille Bernier to accept the minutes of December 17<sup>th</sup> and December 30<sup>th</sup> 2013. All in favor. APPROVED.

## 2. ITEMS TO BE SIGNED:

• Warrants Expenses & Payrolls- The following A/P Payroll warrants were approved and signed by the Board. John Davis will speak with Linda Ouellette about adding a line on the warrants sheet for the Town Manager to sign off the warrants.

A/P#	Payroll #
	102
	103
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- 3. ARTICLES TAKEN OUT OF ORDER: There were no articles taken out of order.
- 4. REPORT AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE: There were no reports/or correspondence.
- 5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

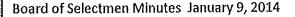
OPENED 6:30 P.M.

CLOSED 6:31 P.M.

6. NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business to report.

# 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Plowing Private Roads/Driveways: In respect to the letter sent out by the Town Manager, some of the landowners have informed the Town that they will no longer allow access to their fields. If their driveway is not plowed. They claim that his has been a long standing agreement with the Town. Public Works Directors Eric Blanchette explained that this could cause some difficulties for the Public Works Department and there is a good chance that being unable to plow snow into the fields would create more overtime and an increase in the cost of fuel. Eric also mentioned that if the Public Works Department is not allowed on private property, they will no longer able to dump the fill from ditching into a property owner's yard. There was some talk about the landowners deeding the



roads/driveways to the town and how this could end up being an added expense. After more discussion, a motion was made by Andrew McQuarrie, Seconded by Camille Bernier, to table the issue until May 1, 2014. All in favor. APPROVED. NOTE: This will give the Board more time to research this issue and the Town Manager will send a letter to the landowners explaining this.

#### 8. Other Business:

A. The Board reviewed the fire Department mission statement. A motion was made by Camille Bernier, seconded by Andrew McQuarrie, to accept the mission. All in favor. APPROVED.

# **B.** Mutual Aid Agreements:

- A motion was made by Andrew McQuarrie, second by Camille Bernier to accept the mutual Ald firefighting agreement with Fort Kent. All in favor. APPROVED.
- A motion was made by Andrew McQuarrie, second by Camille Bernier to accept the mutual Aid firefighting agreement with St. Agatha. All in favor. APPROVED.
- A motion was made by Andrew McQuarrie, second by Camille Bernier to accept the mutual Aid firefighting agreement with Madawaska. All in favor. APPROVED. The Town Manager will send a copy of the agreements to the three communities to see if they are interested in signing on.
- C. Gedeon Corriveau: The Fire Department will be honoring Gedeon Corriveau at their annual Christmas party on January 18, 2014. A motion was made by Camille Bernier seconded by Andrew McQuarrie, to dedicate the Town Report in honor of Mr. Corriveau's 66 years as a volunteer firefighter for the Town of Frenchville. All in favor. APPROVED. The Town Manager will write a resolve recognizing Mr. Corriveau's service, and it will be presented to him at the Christmas party.
- D. The Board instructed John Davis to write up an agreement with Jonathan Roy and Richard Nelson that will grant permission to the Public Works and Fire Department to maintain a road on the portion of their land that is necessary to have access to the fire pond to fight fires in that section of Town. The agreement will be in effect for the remainder of this winter season.

## 9. FUTURE MEETING DATES:

- Next Regular Board Meeting-January 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Frenchville Town Office
- Budget Committee Meeting- February 63, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Frenchville Town Office
- Rain Date for Budget Comm.- February 18, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Frenchville Town Office
- 10. <u>ADJOURN:</u> A motion was made by Camille Bernier, seconded by Andrew McQuarrie to Adjourn at 8:00 p.m. All in favor. APPROVED.

#### **BOARD TABLED ITEMS:**

- 1. Historical Society- Deed
- 2. Gagnon Bridge
- 3. Sewer ordinance- Motion passed to have engineering firm to get it done.
- 4. Bob Dionne-Junk yard permit.