

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**August 21, 2012 Minutes****Frenchville Town Office at 5:00 P.M.****DATE POSTED: August 29, 2012**

Present: Percy Thibeault, Camille Bernier, Paul Bernier, Andrew McQuarrie, Clarence Roy

Excused:

Others: Casey Cote, Bob Ouellette, Lorriane Pelletier, Don Leveque, James Caron

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Percy Thibeault called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

A. Minutes of 8/7/12- Paul Bernier motioned to approve the minutes of 8/7/12. Seconded by Camille Bernier. All in favor. APPROVED.

2. **ITEMS TO BE SIGNED:**

A. Warrants Expenses & Payroll- The following A/P and Payroll warrants were reviewed and signed by the Board.

Warrant Batch Date	A/P #	Payroll #
8/8/12	62	
8/16/12	65	

B. 2012 Municipal Valuation Return- Reviewed and signed by the Board

C. Maine Municipal Bond Bank Certificate- The Town Manager briefed the Board that the MMBB is reviewing current interest rates to see if there is an opportunity to refund current outstanding bonds held by MMBB and to pass the potential savings on to the town. The signing of the certificate allows for the refunding issue. Paul Bernier made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to sign the certificate of local unit as to arbitrage and use of proceeds of local unit loan. Seconded by Camille Bernier. All in favor. APPROVED.

Paul Bernier made a motion to go into executive session at 5:16 p.m. pursuant to Title 1, M.R.S.A., Section 405, Sub-section 6 E to discuss pending litigation with attorney Fredrick Costlow. Seconded by Camille Bernier. All in favor. APPROVED.

Paul Bernier declared executive session adjourned at 6:02 p.m. As post executive session action the Town Manager will send Attorney Costlow a copy of all exhibits on record at the town office.

3. ARTICLES TAKEN OUT OF ORDER:

A. Community Center Bid Opening- Two bids were received for the community center siding and central air projects. JBBC Inc. submitted a bid for the exterior siding project. The bid amount was \$26,000. A motion was made by Paul Bernier to award JBBC Inc. the siding bid for \$26,000. Seconded by Andrew McQuarrie. All in favor. APPROVED.

Ken L. Electric submitted a bid for the central air project for \$11,870. Andrew Mcquarrie made a motion to award Ken L. Electric the bid for \$11,870. Clarence Roy seconded. All in favor. APPROVED.

The Town Manager requested a motion for the used windows. There was a contractor who wanted a few. Andrew Mcquarrie made a motion for the town to take 5 windows and the remainder could be taken by the contractor. Seconded by Camille Bernier. All in favor. APPROVED.

B. 2014 World Acadian Congress- Per Lorraine Pelletier- Ms. Pelletier and Don Levesque presented an update on the progress of the 2014 World Acadian Congress. They are looking for a recommendation for a person to take charge or create a committee to make activities happen for 2014. The deadline to submit projects is September 2013. They also requested the Board encourage families in Frenchville to submit applications for family reunions. Percy Thibeault mentioned that the Paradis Family was recommended and encouraged by the Frenchville Board of Selectmen back in 2011.

4. REPORTS AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE: There were no reports or correspondence.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Time Opened: 6:55 P.M. Time Closed: 6:56 P.M.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Hill Street Fire Hydrant Replacement – James Caron briefed the Board that the fire hydrant on Hill Street will need replacing in the near future. The pond will need to be drained in order to fix the issue. James received a quote from Ed Pelletier and Son for \$6,095. James will work with Suzie Paradis to see if grant funds are available for this project. The Town Manager asked James to include the associated project costs in the 2013 Public Works budget proposal. James mentioned there is another fire hydrant that will be in need of repairs in the future. The Town Manager recommended that James include a reserve account allocation in his budget proposal for said work.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Nelson Avenue Property Lines-** Matthew MacDonald looked at the Nelson Avenue property lines. As depicted on the town map the town owns the unpaved portion of Nelson Ave. The town will be paving that street in 2013 and will include an additional 100' of pavement for a turnaround.
- B. Pelletier Avenue ATV Trail Consideration - Tabled**
- C. DEP Septic Grant – Mute point**
- D. Paradis Family Reunion- tax exempt number- Mute point**
- E. 2012 Refinancing USDA RD loans (92-03 & 92-06) to SRF Bonds through MMBB-** Paul Bernier made a motion to approve the prepared amendment by Pierce Atwood that authorizes the town to enter into a loan agreement to borrow up to \$220,000 from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank CWSRF to refinance prior bonds 92-03 & 92-06 with USDA Rural Development for wastewater upgrades in 2005. Seconded by Camille Bernier. All in favor. APPROVED

8. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Thank you letters to beautification park volunteers- The Town Manager will mail letters of acknowledgment and thanks to Ron Tardif, Norman Cyr, Aurel Lavoie, Gary Picard and Bob Chasse to recognize them for their efforts in beautifying the community parcel located on US RTE 1 adjacent to the Historical Society.

9. FUTURE MEETING DATES:

A. Thursday, September 6, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Frenchville Town Office

**10. ADJOURNED AT: Paul Bernier motioned to adjourn at 7:39 p.m.
Seconded by Andrew McQuarrie. All in favor. APPROVED**

Board of Selectmen Tabled Items:

1. Gerard Raymond dilapidated building - Bob Ouellette is sending a letter to Mr. Tardif to see if arrangements for demolition/controlled burn can be made.
2. Justin Guerrette- dilapidated building, CEO needs to mail letter- Justin has a permit for 1 year. His options are to repair or he needs to demolish after the 1 year period.
3. Ricky Gervais- Automobile Graveyard. CEO needs to mail letter. Operation must be in accordance to state regulations title 30-a, section 3751 through 3760. Percy Thibeault and Bob Ouellette are going to see if the site is cleaned up during the week of August 27, 2012.
4. Pelletier Road- curve. – James Caron reported that the project is 90% completed.
5. Recreation Center- The roofing project was completed the August 19, 2012 weekend. Vern Labbe, Doug Lavoie, Brian Guerrette and Jamie Voisine. The Town Manager will mail thank you letters to the volunteers.
6. Historical Society- Deed tabled until we determine what is happening with the scenic byway project with MDOT.
7. Community Center Renovations