

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2008
HOPE TOWN OFFICE
6:30 P.M.**

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen.

Board Members Present: Barbara Bentley, Eric Campbell, Ray Sisk, Mike Ames, Tim Pearse

Others Present: Jon Duke, Alex Ludwig, Tim Higbee

I. Call the Meeting to Order

Barbara Bentley called the meeting to order at 6:42 P.M.

II. Minutes

a. Minutes of the September 9, 2008 meeting of the Board of Selectmen

Eric Campbell made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion passed 5-0.**

b. Minutes of the September 16, 2008 meeting of the Board of Selectmen

Eric Campbell made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Tim Pearse seconded. **Motion passed 4-0-1.** (Sisk Abstained)

III. Town Administrator's Report

Midcoast Managers group met last week and invited Eric Gallant of the Midcoast Regional Planning Commission to speak on telecommunication towers and wind turbines and how municipalities can appropriate deal with requests to construct these items.

The Planning Board voted to unanimously approve the draft Subdivision Ordinance that was compiled by the Ordinance Review Committee over many months.

IV. Public Hearing

a. Subdivision Ordinance

Ray Sisk made a motion to place an article on the Special Town Meeting warrant to consider a new Hope Subdivision Ordinance. Tim Pearse seconded. **Motion passed 5-0**

V. Old Business

a. Town Calendar

The Administrator presented to the Board a town calendar that has the dates of many events and bids the town entertains in a given year. The Board suggested adding meetings for the ORC, ZBA, Cemetery Committee, Fire Dept, and quarterly Road Commissioner meetings and employee performance reviews.

b. Alford Lake Paving

The Road Commissioner spoke with Lane Construction regarding the paving of Alford Lake Road. Lane Construction has pledged to complete the paving within the next week at the bid price it gave to the town in June and will work with the Road Commissioner to stretch the length of the pavement the best it can while maintaining a decent coating on the road.

c. Transportation Committee

Mike Ames made a motion to approve the carryover amounts as suggested by the Town Administrator with the amendment that the Cemeteries account carryover \$2,100. Ray Sisk seconded. **Motion passed 5-0**

Ray Sisk made a motion to suspend as the Board of Selectmen and re-enter as the Board of Assessors. Tim Pearse seconded. **Motion passed 5-0**

VI. Board of Assessors

a. 2008 Municipal Valuation Return

Eric Campbell made a motion to approve the 2008 Municipal Valuation Return. Tim Pearse seconded. **Motion passed 5-0**

Tim Pearse made a motion to adjourn as the Board of Assessors and re-enter as the Board of Selectmen. Ray Sisk seconded. **Motion passed 5-0**

VII. New Business

a. Set Date of Special Town Meeting

Ray Sisk made a motion to set a Special Town Meeting for November 4, 2008 at 10:00AM. Tim Pearse seconded. **Motion passed 5-0**

b. Warrant Approval 24-28

Eric Campbell made a motion to approve the warrants as presented. Tim Pearse seconded. **Motion passed 5-0.**

VIII. Adjournment

Eric Campbell moved to adjourn at 9:30 pm. Mike Ames seconded. **Motion passed 5-0.**