

Selectman Ken Ross-Raymond, Chair	Present
Selectman Pete Ballou	Present
Selectman Joe Schmidl	Present
Town Administrator Margaret Warren	Present
Administrative Assistant Kathie Downes	Present

Visitors: see sign in sheet attached with original summary on file.

Chairman Ross-Raymond called meeting to order at 6:30 PM. **REGULAR BUSINESS:** 

- Review and Approve Minutes of last meeting
  - December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting summary: Selectman Schmidl moved to accept summary as written, Selectman Ballou seconded. All voted in favor.
- Review Accounts Payable & Payroll registers. Select board moved and accepted

### **Renewal Application of Gravel Permit – Timothy Wunderlich:**

Renewal Application # 2014 – 02 filed with BOS 12/17/2014. Review and general discussion – not much change. Selectman Ballou motioned to approve and issue three year permit to run from December 17, 2014 to December 17, 2017; Selectman Schmidl seconded. Vote in affirmative.

#### **Department Updates:**

- **Fire Chief** : Nothing to report tonight. Selectmen asked if there would be a place at the safety complex to store a pallet of ice melt and Chief MacDuffie feels there is.
- **2015 Selectmen Budget** additional figures / discussion will be done at a Work Session on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. Rick Chandler also asked if he could come to the meeting to discuss mowing/maintenance at cemeteries and going out to bid for 2015.

## **Old Business**:

- Holiday Baskets: Salisbury has 21 families who will be receiving them this year. Selectmen Ross-Raymond and Ballou and Ralph Downes will go to Boscawen to pick them up at 7 AM December 22<sup>nd</sup>. They will be brought back to Safety Complex where Kathie Downes has made arrangements for families to get the baskets.
- Meeting Updates
  - Budget met 12/8 and got tentative 2015 proposed figures for fire; police; highway; recycling and transfer station.
- Meeting Reminders
  - Planning Board January 5<sup>th</sup>
  - $\circ$  BOS January 7<sup>th</sup>
  - o Budget January 12<sup>th</sup>

- TA Warren reported that Building Inspector has confirmed that the insulation at the library will need to be replaced to meet fire code.
- Selectman Ross-Raymond reported at today's Crime Line meeting local police chiefs were invited and State Police came to represent Salisbury. It was suggested to have the Crime line website linked to town website. (Salisbury website already has this link).

#### New Business:

- Three year contract for auditors signed by Selectmen.
- Discussion of purchasing ice melt in bulk as it would be more economical. It was agreed to
  purchase a pallet of 49 bags at a rate of \$12.50 per bag vs the \$20.99 we pay locally.

#### **Public Comments:**

- o Karen Sheldon: Asked where Wunderlich gravel pit is located. *Plains Road*.
- Sandy Miller: Asked if Andover picked who will be doing their assessing. Selectman Ross-Raymond noted we are stilling waiting to hear – before we finalize our contract.

**Other**: All business that shall legally come before the Board

# • Holiday Greetings and Volunteer Appreciation Night

Selectman Ross-Raymond addressed the group as follows: We are again close to the end of the year and as is past years take this time at our last Selectmen meeting of 2014 to reflect, remember and recognize how fortunate the Town of Salisbury is to have so many dedicated citizens who give of themselves.

- The citizens who step up and volunteer their time to help with town decorations/flowers, clean up & upkeep of cemeteries, town grounds, ball field, and transfer station, etc.
- The employees who often go above and beyond in their daily duties and activities for the town.
- The many citizens who step up and run for various elected positions and those who are appointed.
- The local businesses who give so generously through community service when asked and often without being asked.
- The volunteers of our Fire Rescue Forestry Explorers Auxiliary department
- Our Road Agent, Bill MacDuffie and his road crew for the great service all year round.
- Our staff at the Transfer Station for their hard work all year.

This year we are giving a special thank you to several people who have stood out – showing their commitment and concern for the Town:

 [Certificate to SVFRD Auxiliary] Active Members are: Cindy Owen, Chair; Tracy Howe, Sami Tucker, Shawna Barton, Sue Martin, Tracey Downes, and Meghan Richardson. We also want to recognize and thank Bev Bowne, Sharon MacDuffie and Kathie Downes who although not active – are always there when asked for help. Selectman Schmidl presented certificate to President Cindy Owen. Stating we are officially recognizing the Auxiliary of the Salisbury Volunteer Fire Rescue Department for all their extra time and services which helps to enhance Our Town and benefits our fellow citizens

- 2. Special thanks:
  - Two town citizens who have shown interest in the Town and have managed to attend most all of the Selectmen meetings in 2014.
    - <u>Marcia Murphy and Sandy Miller</u>. These ladies are also active members of the budget committee and were a big part of the Education Committee when it was active.
  - Paul Laria who chairs The Salisbury Watch and Care Program and who has been instrumental in putting on special safety programs for the citizens this year. We thank him and his group for all their hard work on behalf of the town.

# Selectman Schmidl moved to adjourn at 7:15 PM; Selectman Ballou seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted: Kathie Downes Administrative Assistant

Meeting Summary reviewed and accepted at the January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Meeting.

Selectmen, Town of Salisbury