

TOWN OF TOPSHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
APRIL 3, 2014, 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donald Russell
David Douglass
Ronald Riendeau
William Thompson

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: Marie Brilliant

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager, Richard Roedner; Assistant Planner Rod Melanson

A meeting of the Topsham Board of Selectmen was held on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at the Municipal Building at 100 Main Street, Topsham, Maine.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Chairman Russell called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All present were invited to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The recording secretary took the roll call and noted that all Selectmen were present, except for Selectman Brilliant who had been excused.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Town Manager's Report included:

- Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held on May 17 in Bath. Registration will begin on May 5th. Additional information may be found on the Town's website.
- April 26th is a medication drop-off day at the Municipal Building. See Town's website for more information.
- Linda Dumont, General Assistance Director, will go to Williams Cone School tomorrow. The students have completed a read-a-thorn to raise funds for the Heating Assistance Program and they will present what they collected to Ms. Dumont.
- Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, April 10 on the Draft Warrant in anticipation of the 5/14 Town Meeting to be held at the Mt. Ararat Commons. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
- New flood maps have arrived at the Planning Office. Stop by to view them.
- Taxes are due on April 15th.

Selectman Douglass asked if there were any changes to the flood maps. The Town Manager said there have been changes around the Meadow Road area. Biggest changes for Topsham are in the Lower Village area - moved up Main Street, almost to Michaud's Market. This change has been questioned as it seems quite extensive. Waiting for response from the state.

Selectman Riendeau thanked the Town Manager for his in-depth reports; said they are very helpful.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

UPDATE ON THE TOPSHAM FAIR MALL WATERSHED PLAN - Interim Town Planner Rod Melanson, along with Forrest Bell from FB Environmental Consulting did a slide show

reviewing the latest draft of the Topsham Fair Mall Watershed Plan. Wright-Pierce Engineers also had a part in the plan's preparation. Kristen Findell from the Maine DEP was also present at the meeting.

The Town is getting an early start in considering this voluntary-type program in anticipation of it eventually be required by DEP. Chairman Russell said the plan is being presented at this meeting, with questions and answers being considered and the plan will come back before the Board on the agenda of the first meeting in May. A decision will be made whether or not to proceed with the plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None noted.

CORRESPONDENCE - None noted.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA - Motion was made by Selectman Douglass, seconded by Selectman Riendeau and it was unanimously, of those present

VOTED

To amend the agenda, adding to Item 19-14 FROSTYS DONUTS

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SELECTMENS MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2014**
2. **APPROVAL OF THE ELECTION WORKERS FOR THE JUNE 10, 2014 STATE PRIMARY AND SAD #75 BUDGET REFERENDUM**
3. **APPROVAL ON THE OPENING OF THE POLLS AT 7:00 A.M. FOR THE JUNE 10, 2014 STATE PRIMARY AND THE SAD #75 BUDGET REFERENDUM**
4. **APPROVAL OF OPEING THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS ON JUNE 9, 2014 STARTING AT 8:30 A.M. AND ON JUNE 10, 2014 AT 10:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M., 3:00 P.M., 6:00 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M. FOR THE JUNE 10, 2014 STATE PRIMARY AND THE SAD #75 BUDGET REFERENDUM**

Motion was made by Selectman Riendeau, seconded by Selectman Thompson, and it was

VOTED

To approve item #1 of the Consent Calendar: Approval of the minutes of the regular Selectmen's Meeting of March 20, 2014. (Vote was 3 in favor with 1 abstention - Selectman Douglass)

Motion was made by Selectman Riendeau, seconded by Selectman Thompson, and it was unanimously, of those present,

VOTED

To approve Items #2, 3, and 4 of the Consent Calendar as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING - None noted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None noted.

OLD BUSINESS - None noted.

NEW BUSINESS

19-14 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUEST FROM MAINE HARVEST COMPANY, WICKED JOE COFFEE ROASTING COMPANY AND FROSTY'S DONUTS FOR APPROVAL TO RE-SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATIONS FOR CDBG ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANTS

John Shattuck, Topsham Economic Development Community Director, put forth three proposed warrant articles which would permit Maine Harvest Company, Wicked Joe Coffee Roasting Company and Frosty's Donuts to apply for CDGB Economic Development Program Grants. If approved by the Board of Selectmen, the warrant articles would come before a Public Hearing at a Special Selectmen's Meeting on April 10, 2014 and be given consideration to appear on the warrant for the May 14, 2014 Town Meeting.

Following the presentation and discussion, motion was made by Selectman Douglass, seconded by Selectman Thompson, and it was unanimously, of those present,

VOTED

To move the warrant articles of Maine Harvest Company, Wicked Joe Coffee Roasting Company and Frosty's Donuts forward to a Public Hearing on April 10, 2014 for consideration to be added to the Warrant for the upcoming Town Meeting.

20-14 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON APPOINTMENT TO THE TREE COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Selectman Riendeau, seconded by Selectman Douglass, and it was unanimously, of those present,

VOTED

To appoint Ben Whatley as a member of the Tree Committee.

21-14 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE CONFIRMATION OF CHRISTOPHER LEWIS AS TOPSHAM'S POLICE CHIEF

This item was placed on the agenda as a "housekeeping item" as the vote had never officially been taken.

Motion was made by Selectman Douglass, seconded by Selectman Riendeau, and it was unanimously, of those present,

VOTED

To confirm the appointment of Christopher Lewis as Topsham's Police Chief.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to address, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Williams, Recording Secretary