

Selectmen's Meeting
October 2, 2012

The meeting began at 5:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Darcy Hobgood, Tax Collector, reported that taxes are coming in twice as fast as last year at this time.

The minutes of September 25, 2012 were read. It was moved by George Donovan, seconded by John Sylvester to approve after minor changes. All voted in favor.

The York County Shelter monthly report was read.

Joyce Wood requested that she attend a Maine Municipal Workshop on Labor and Employment law/Managing Municipal Personnel. Glenn Dochtermann said this is a workshop he would be interested in as well. It was moved by George Donovan, seconded by John Sylvester and voted by all to approve the request and that both Joyce and Glenn attend the workshop.

The preliminary Maine Revenue State Valuation for 2013 was read. Alfred's preliminary valuation is \$263,550,000.

Two Assessors 801 forms were reviewed. It was moved and seconded to sign them as submitted. All voted in favor.

A tax abatement was explained. After motion and second, all voted in favor to approve and sign as submitted.

A tax supplemental was explained. After motion and second, all voted in favor to approve and sign as submitted.

Bill Davis requested that he attend the DEP training program for Transfer Station Supervisors on November 15, 2012. John Sylvester made a motion to approve the request. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor.

Bill Davis reported that the Shapleigh transfer station supervisor visited the Alfred transfer station today and was very impressed.

Mr. Davis reported that things are going well at transfer station. He reported that next year he is hoping to implement some changes. He then went over three recommendations for capital improvements

- 1 Concrete pads at the dumpsters edge for tractor stabilizers. The asphalt in front of the three containers is being destroyed over time and if this continues there is a potential of buckling the retainer wall. Mr. Sylvester said that he has spoken with Jon Lord about this and Mr. Lord has spoken about using stabilizing beams. This was discussed further. The Board agreed that this is an important problem that needs attention. All agreed that John Sylvester speak to Gordon Prime for a quote.

2. Loading dock: Mr. Davis said that in the interest of safety and production a loading dock

should be added to be able to load the 48 foot trailer with the baled commodities. The group discussed options of location and size and how and where this should be done. All agreed this project needs to be looked at closely before moving forward with plans. The Board agreed to meet at the transfer station to look at the area. The Selectmen agreed to meet at the transfer station at 5:00 p.m. next week and to invite the Road Commissioner, Jon Lord as well.

3. Fork Truck: Mr. Davis gave an explanation of the need for a fork truck. This was discussed.

4. Contract with BBI – Mr. Davis explained his concern with the current contract. He shared figures on the metal income. Currently the town receives 40% of the income from this material but pays no hauling or disposal fees. At the time this contract was made metal value was not in the same market as today. The cost to haul could change if the town decided to keep all the income. Mr. Davis then shared a BBI contract from another town. He reported that he questioned another hauler about hauling costs. This was discussed in further detail.

The Board invited Bill to meet with selectmen and managers who use MERC in Kennebunk on October 24th. He agreed that he would like to do so.

Glenn Charette, Code Officer, gave his end of month report for September. He reviewed ideas after meeting with the Maine Historical Commission on the ADA compliance for the town hall if we were to make use of the upstairs. The Selectmen agreed to meet with the representative from Maine Historical Preservation.

Mr. Charette reported that he has completed all required testing to meet the qualifications for CEO/LPI. The Board congratulated him.

The Alfred Water District Trustees met with the Selectmen to “touch base”. They expressed concerns about the County Government Building. They were told, originally, by the last County Manager, that there would only be approximately 5 to 9 employees in the building and most of the space would be dead space and now that number is up significantly. When they asked to go into the facility they were met “with a not friendly reception” by the manager’s secretary who asked “why do you want to come in here” and then she agreed to go back to the Manager and ask him. Again, during a phone call she asked “why do you want to go into the building?” Mrs. Cheverie told her that they are concerned about additional use of this building with programs like Zumba to which the secretary responded “I didn’t know about that and well, you know we used to have over 100 inmates in here at one time”. When Kerry Smart did go in to look at the meter and he was followed around, and made to feel that he was not welcomed. The main concern for the Water District is the water going into the ground in light of the contamination of the prior years. They do not know what is going on or how much water is being dumped into the ground by the facility and do not know the number of people using the building. Last quarter the meter showed 50 thousand gallons of water going into the building. Selectmen asked them to look at the old reports on how much water was used. Mr. Smart said that Engineers said that when the building was reoccupied that the monitoring should be continued as before. The group talked about the quarterly testing being moved to monthly. The Group discussed the Planning Board restriction of 30 people at the facility and the use of this building. All agreed to do further study and meet again.

Glenn Charette then reported that the County of York has withdrawn the land use application for zumba classes.

Attorney Morin's e-mail was read. The e-mail explained a request through the ACLU to pay Judee Meyer \$40.52 as reimbursement for mileage to cover 73 miles to remove signs as requested by her. The e-mail from the Attorney discussed the involvement of the ACLU who was contacted by Mrs. Meyer. The ACLU then contacted the Town and their opinion that the Town's Ordinance to not place signs until a certain period of time prior to the date of voting was unconstitutional on private property. It was moved by Mr. Sylvester to table this discussion and decision until another week because of the amount of material provided to give the Board time to review. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor.

The Board read a letter from RSU#57 Superintendent, John Davis, All agreed to read the proposal as discussed next Tuesday and decide then as to the Boards support.

A copy of an invoice to the Twelve Town Group from the Town of Alfred for use of technical equipment at Town Hall for copies, etc was read. All agreed to sent the invoice to the Twelve Town Group for payment.

It was moved and seconded to approve and sign the warrants as submitted. All voted in favor.

Income to the Park & Recreation account and to the Festival Committee account were approved

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 9, 2012

The meeting began at 5:00 p.m. at the transfer facility. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan and John Sylvester and Supervisor, Bill Davis, Jon Lord, Road Commissioner and Owens McCullough, Sebago Technics.

The six people discussed the possibility of a loading platform on the right hand side of the recycling building. The plan envisioned by Bill Davis would require the cutting of a few trees, diversion of an existing drainage ditch, some alteration to a retention pond as well as digging things out to grade, installing retaining walls, paving the base and the loading dock area, attaining DEP approval for an amendment for the original transfer station DEP approved plan and other items.

The Board of Selectmen asked Owens McCullough to do some research to determine if the amendment to the original plan would be any problem and to draft a description of the scope of his work if the Board agreed to move forward with the concept and any suggestions he may have along the way. The Board, Mr. McCullough and Mr. Davis discussed the pads of the backhoe and the damage that was being done to the hot top surface in front of the demolition container. A number of corrective ideas for fixing the problem were discussed. The Selectmen asked Mr. McCullough to come up with recommended solutions. The Board finished this portion of the discussion and invited Mr. McCullough to come back to the town hall. Time was then spent dealing with the aftermath of a unwarranted criticism of one of the attendants by a resident. When the Board reconvened at the town hall Jon Lord was asked his thoughts on a ramp being constructed to allow for a forklift to load pallets of recyclables into a trailer. The Board recalled a comment by Mr. Davis that he had a concept in mind regarding the area where the recycling trailer currently stays. The Board felt it was important to meet with him to discuss his concept before any decision on a ramp or loading dock took place.

The Board met with several residents of Middle Branch Drive at 6:00 and listened to their request to pave Middle Branch Drive. A good discussion ensued. The Selectmen's office will do research to attain the deed of the road to the town in 1997. The Road Commissioner will do a series of tests to determine how sound the base of the road is, to determine if any culvert work needed to be done, any trees needed to be cut and stumps removed. The width of the road from the existing hot top to the end of the road that was accepted in 1997 needs to be researched. The Board agreed to meeting with the residents of Middle Branch Drive 3 to 4 weeks after this meeting. The Road Commissioner went on record as recommending that Middle Branch Drive be paved.

Fred Holt, Treasurer, met with the Board and opened the monthly bank statements and reviewed them. The Board approved payment for work done at the old transfer station on route 4.

Warrants were signed after approval by all after motion by George Donovan and second by Mr. Sylvester.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 11, 2012

The meeting began at 4:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, and Joyce Wood.

Fred and Paula Frodyma, Parsons' Memorial Library Trustees, met with the Board and the Town Treasurer, Fred Holt to discuss the paving and marking of the parking lot at the library. The conversation began with an overview of the parking lot projects and the oil burner project. It was reported that the oil burner has been installed, a testing of the system done and the oil tanks have been delivered. Remaining was the installation of the additional thermostats. Final payment for this project is dependant on the Town receiving the equipment lien form from the contractor as stated in the contract and finalization of the installation.

Next discussed was the library parking lot and the decision to fill cracks and seal the top as well as painting lines for the parking for a cost of approximately \$1,023. this has been done except for the stripping of the lines. The question of where this amount will be taken from was discussed. The understanding of the Selectmen on the original price of the parking lot was \$7,700. The additional cost, \$1,023 is above that original amount. When asked about where this was to come from, Mrs. Frodyma stated that a portion, \$725 would come from the interest of the endowment funds which would still bring the amount to be used for the two projects under what was first agreed upon and the remainder, \$298 from the library account. After discussion, it came down to the need for understanding the process that should be followed in cases like this. Before any additional work should be done, a request and authorization from the Selectmen should take place. Because there had been several meetings on these two projects and the decision had been made as to how much was available as interest from the endowment funds and another decision on how much was to be spent, there should have been another meeting to request spending any more of the available funds or funds from another account. After further discussion it was moved by George Donovan and seconded by John Sylvester to take \$725.00 out of the available interest from the endowment funds account and \$298.00 from the Library budget account.

A suggestion was made by Mr. Frodyma for a "standard" form for any town contract proposals for bidding on any job. The Board agreed this was a good idea and agreed to research this.

Fred Holt, Treasurer, then went over the financials with the Selectmen in preparation of the 2013 budget discussion with all Committees and Departments on October 16th.

He shared several spreadsheets.

- The first, the excise tax numbers and Revenue Sharing figures are up compared to this time last year, both positive signs. Another indicator of improvement over last year is the fees from the Code Enforcement Officer which have gone up as well which indicate a result of a higher valuation for the town.
- He stated that, overall, the many town accounts look good. He doesn't see, at this time any immediate concern of overdrafts. A spreadsheet entitled, Overall Operating Budget, was explained and discussed. The information shows the percentage of taxes spent on the municipal, county and school since 2006. It shows, as Mr. Holt explained, a reduction in the municipal per cent for taxes, a slight increase for the county and an

increase for the school over this time period.

- The unassigned fund balance sheet was explained by Mr. Holt. He reported that the Town is financially sound. Three months of operating expenses is the rule of thumb for municipalities and this is secure for Alfred with a strong balance on hand.
- Capital Improvement history was reviewed back to 1997. He reported that the balance in this fund is as of the date, \$343,341.94. Along with this he reported that the last bond payment for the Brackett Hill Bridge will be in 2013, leaving a good potential for a major project with a 1st bond payment due in 2014.
- Preliminary LD 1 tax limit shows an increase of \$29,000.

These points were discussed with many questions asked. The Selectmen thanked Mr. Holt for his excellent service to the Town.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 16, 2012

The meeting began at 5:00 p.m. Present were George Donovan John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Gino Gervais from BBI met with the Selectmen, the Treasurer, Fred Holt and the Transfer Station Supervisor, Bill Davis to discuss a proposal to extend the current contract with the Town of Alfred. A letter from Mr. Gervais was reviewed and points from the letter were discussed:

1. BBI will relieve the town from unbilled CPI as well as unbilled fuel surcharge debt amount to approximately \$2,900 if a contract was signed for another 5 years according to the letter. These "bills" were discussed in detail. It was brought out that the Treasurer had spoken with "Bob" at the BBI office and was told to disregard fuel surcharges at least twice. The Board agreed that the CPI charges, even though they were never billed, should be paid. These amounted to \$900.00. As there were unanswered questions regarding these two items, Mr. Gervais agreed to do research and meet again with the Board.
2. BBI will freeze its' current haul rates and rate of demo disposal until July 1, 2014. Mr. Gervais explained that on July 2, 2014 a CPI increase will be applied as well as a fuel surcharge with a trigger price of \$4.25 per gallon. This item was fine with the Board if indeed they sign on with BBI.
3. Metals recycling – currently BBI hauls and disposes of the "metal" container and pays back to the town of Alfred 40% of any value from that container. The new proposal explained by Mr. Gervais is that the Town of Alfred will receive the prevailing daily "gate rate" light iron price per net ton offered at One Steel Recycling.

All of these were discussed and Mr. Gervais agreed to meet again on this proposal.

Darcy Hobgood, Tax Collector, reported on her September end of month figures.

At 6:00 p.m. the Board met with various departments and committee members to discuss the upcoming 2013 budget. They pointed out several factors that will influence the budget to include the school and county assessments, the potential for a bond to replace the Hay Brook Bridge, potential updates to the town hall and the county moving to a fiscal instead of a calendar year. Many questions were asked and discussed. After explanation and discussion of the proposed revenues the Selectmen said that they are asking for budgets to remain flat. They added that if there are items that are additional to the core budget that these items be put on a separate request form with explanation of the necessity of said item(s).

The Treasurer passed out all budget spreadsheets to those who were present and the Board asked that the budget requests be turned back into to Selectmen's office on or before November 13th, the same night as the Selectmen's quarterly meeting is to be held. Mr. Carlson asked the Board if they have discussed redoing the Comprehensive Plan, to which they answered they have not.

At 7:10 p.m. there was an earthquake. It was agreed to table the meeting minutes until next week.

Joyce Wood reported on her research of the Middle Branch Drive. A deed and map were shared to help determine which part of the road was given to the Town and also the length and width of the road. The road Commissioner was present and said that Mr. Gerry, resident on the Middle Branch Drive shared some of these documents with him as well.

Glen Charette, CEO/911 Officer asked the Board to name a private way as "Rocky Glen Road". After discussion, it was moved, seconded and voted by all to approve the request.

The Planning Board minutes of September 19th and October 3rd were read.

The Planning Board agenda for November 7th was read.

A copy of a letter to York County Manager, Gregg Zinser from the Alfred Water District regarding the nitrate test results was read.

Two Assessor's 801 forms for last years tax payments were signed after approval by all.

The Board was in agreement to appoint Marjorie Anderson as a member to the Historical Committee.

The Board noted an invitation to a "Road Stream Crossing workshop to be held on November 1st. All were in agreement to pass this on to the Road Commissioner.

After explanation of tax abatement, it was moved by George Donovan, seconded by John Sylvester and approved by all to approve and sign the abatement form.

An authorization to purchase form from the Fire Department for 4 new SCBA bottles in the amount of \$2,700 was read. It was noted that this was in the original 2012 budget request. It was moved by Mr. Donovan, seconded by Mr. Sylvester and approved by all.

The Board read a notice for the Board of Appeals Public Hearing on October 29th .

A written request from the Road Committee to have their own account added to next years warrant was discussed. The Board agreed to add this to the proposed 2013 budget requests list.

A notice from Time Warner was read. The notice was to inform the Selectmen about the internal reorganization that created a more geographically rational structure and that now Time Warner Cable Northeast LLC now directly owns the cable system in our community as of September 30, 2012.

After reading and discussing a Voting Machine User Agreement for the new voting machine, it was moved and seconded and voted by all to approve and sign the agreement. It was reported that the machine should be in town soon and that the Town Clerk has been working with the State of Maine in procuring this machine for the Town of Alfred.

An update from Chief Matt Bors on the Alfred Rescue Department was read. It was reported that Chief Bors will attend next weeks meeting to go over these updates.

An e-mail request from a resident to place information and photos on the Town web site was discussed. The resident said, in the e-mail, that he has had break ins at his property and wanted to put information out (on the web site) so that others may help identify anyone caught on camera. After discussion, all were in agreement that the town web site should not be used for material such as this.

It was moved by George Donovan to approve and sign the warrants as submitted. John Sylvester seconded, all voted in favor and the warrants were signed.

Income to the solid waste account was appropriated as submitted by unanimous vote by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 23, 2012

The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Chief Matt Bors met with the Board. Several items were discussed:

1. Mid Atlantic Partners training - several officers will attend and the cost will be shared by several entities including the Town of Alfred. He said that he has met with the Treasurer on this. The Board approved
2. A Rescue Budget update was given by Chief Bors. He also discussed what he sees coming out of the balance of the 2012 budget before end of year.
3. Next year's budget – He addressed the Board about the need to replace the cardiac monitor. The current monitor was purchased in 2000 and the technology is outdated. They have looked at a replacement monitor. The price for this unit is \$31,000 with a potential for a rebate/sale for the old unit of \$4,500. The Selectmen asked about availability of any grant funds or purchase with other towns. Chief Bors explained that if more than one town were to purchase a unit (each) the price may go down for the individual units. Also discussed was the potential to bond this cost.
4. Records Management System (computersoftware) at cost of \$6,800 for 5 users. - The current mobile program has been used for 14 years and data and support are outdated. The department is not able to do the required reporting with this old system.
5. Computer/laptop – the department is in need of this equipment for in- vehicle use – cost is \$3,800.

The Selectmen asked about one or maybe two of the above items coming from the current, 2012 budget which would keep the 2013 budget request down. Chief Bors said that he would look at this. All agreed to meet again to discuss these items.

Fred Holt, Treasurer, met with the Board to go over the list for potential property foreclosure due to non-payment of taxes. The list was reviewed. He reported that the list is slightly longer than in past years. The Selectmen agreed to have their assistant send out letters on their behalf.

Selectmen's November 13th Quarterly meeting was discussed. All agreed to provide refreshments and to ask Bill Davis and Glenn Charette to speak.

The minutes of October 2nd, October 9th, October 11th, and October 16th were read. It was moved by John Sylvester to approve all with minor changes. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor.

John Lord, Road Commissioner, reported working on Danes Hill on the Gore Road. He dug outside of the roadway and created drainage that was needed in this area. Tree work with Vaughn English, English Arborist, has been completed for now. The Middle Branch Drive request to pave was discussed. All agreed to finish up the research on the width, length, test holes and the quotes to pave and meet again with the residents when the information is all together..

After review of the warrant, it was moved and seconded to approve and sign as submitted. All

voted in favor.

An RSU #57 request for a letter of support for a grant was read and discussed. Joyce Wood explained the grant. It was moved and seconded to write the letter of response and send to the RSU#57 Superintendent.

Political signs on private property and a request from a candidate to be reimbursed for mileage to put up signs, take down signs and then put them up again in the amount of \$40 was discussed. George Donavon gave an explanation of his feeling of not authorizing the request to reimburse. It was noted that there is a rumor that the Town will be sued by the resident. The Town Attorney is contacting ACLU and the Board agreed to wait until hearing from the Attorney before making any decisions.

Next weeks meeting with DOT will be held at 3:30 for the bridge on Route 4, the Stevens Mills Bridge. All were in agreement that the Public Works Superintendent in Sanford be contacted about this meeting so that he may attend if he chooses to.

The 6:30 Public Hearing on the Liqueur License renewal for the Oak Street Bistro was held. Glenn Dochtermann opened the hearing. Present were Alex Lamont-Golden and Stan Gutkowski, Glenn Charette and Donny Collins. Mr. Dochtermann asked for public comment. Comment was made by Ms. Lamont-Golden that she supports the approval of this license. John Sylvester made a motion to close the hearing. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor. Motion was made by George Donovan to approve the license, John Sylvester seconded and all voted in approval. The application was signed.

Glenn Charette, reported that the ISO recertification has been approved and that his certification as Codes Officer is up to date. Alfred's rating is at 5.

The schedule to the March, 2013 Town Meeting was reviewed.

A tax abatement was explained. It was moved and seconded and voted by all to approve and sign the abatement.

A request for a tax abatement was discussed. An explanation was given by Mrs. Wood on the Assessor's opinion on this request. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to deny the request. All voted in favor and the form was signed as well as a letter giving an explanation of the denial to the applicant.

The road survey report as submitted by George Dugovic, a member of the Road Committee, was read. All agreed to invite the Road Committee in to give an explanation of the reports.

Donna Pirone gave an update on the Solid Waste account through September, 2012. She reviewed and gave explanation of the details of the report to include bottle return income which stopped after town meeting approved that all bottle income went to the Fueling February account. She went over the expenses and the income for this period.

At 7:00 p.m. Glenn Dochtermann opened the General Assistance Public Hearing. He turned the hearing over to the General Assistance Agent, Donna Pirone. She explained the two changes that were made to the housing maximums which have increased slightly for the 3

and 4 bedroom units. Mr. Dochtermann then opened the meeting up to public comment. Donna Simmons asked a question about these rent figures, specifically if the amount on the form was the most that could be spent or were the figures the most that the General Assistance officer would be able to use for assistance. Donna answered that the amount is the maximum that a Town can pay towards a rent. Other questions were asked and discussed. Mrs. Simmons reported that she is on the General Assistance Appeals Board and asked for a copy of the town's general assistance ordinance. John Sylvester made a motion to close the meeting. George Donovan seconded the motion and all voted in favor. George Donovan made a motion to approve and sign the changes to the General Assistance ordinance which was seconded by John Sylvester. All voted in favor and the changes were signed.

The notice of the Tax Collector's recertification was read. All agreed to send her a note of congratulations.

A 2012 letter from Owens McCullough, Sebago Technics regarding the waste water disposal system at the old jail on Jordan Springs Road was read.

John Sylvester reported that tomorrow night the York County Budget Committee will meet to review topics for the 2013 York County Budget. There are fifteen members who were notified as well as Tammy Wells of the Journal Tribune.

All agreed to put the topic of updating the Comprehensive Plan under pending Issues on the Selectmen's meeting agenda.

Bill Davis, Supervisor Alfred Transfer Station, spoke with the Board about a potential loading dock – discussing placement, type and size. All agreed to consider this and bring back to next weeks meeting and to invite both Mr. Davis and Jon Lord in to discuss this further. John Sylvester made a motion to contact Owens McCullough to give “scope of work” on both ideas that had previously been discussed on site with Mr. McCullough present. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor. John Sylvester and the other members of the Board spoke with Mr. Davis about the relationship between the Selectmen and him.

Mr. Davis reported that the baler went down this past week and he called in Atlantic Leasing to repair it. This was discussed further. This prompted a discussion of perhaps, down the road, replacing this baler.

He then shared a list entitled “prospects of tomorrow” and asked that the Board review these for future discussions.

The golf cart at the transfer station was discussed. Joyce Wood reported on a conversation with AB Golf Cart representative. After discussion, John Sylvester made a motion to authorize the purchase and installation of the needed batteries in the amount of \$750 be done through AB Golf Cart. George Donovan seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

The Board discussed the newly installed traffic lights at the intersection of Kennebunk Road and Route 111. The Board directed Joyce Wood to contact David Lord and ask him about the timing of the light.

Joyce Wood reported on two conversations from residents. The first was regarding the Saco Road. The resident said that there should be two signs at the northern end stating "local traffic only" and that those lights should be red. This same resident recommended that another speed bump be placed at the northern end of the Saco Road. He also told her that the traffic on route 111 was going too fast and that something should be done to slow the traffic down especially now that the new lights are in.

The second call was from a resident at the Keywood Manor. The concern was that there have been break-ins and that there is a need for street lights in specific areas that are very dark. The resident also said that there should be a traffic light at the intersection of the Pooles Crossing Road and the Old North Berwick Road.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
October 30, 2012

The meeting opened at 3:30 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan and John Sylvester.

Ben Condon, Department of Transportation met with the Board regarding the Stevens Mills Bridge on Route 4. He explained that this bridge was one of three that would go out in a packaged bid sometime in February/March of 2013. He explained that DOT felt that packaging the three bridges would give the state a better price. The bid documents will be completed and a decision made before April 1st of 2013. The contractor will have the flexibility to work on whichever bridge he chooses of the three. That provides flexibility if there exists weather events that may produce high levels of water under the bridge. The Stevens Mills bridge is in the DOT work plan. That means that it will not get bumped for another project somewhere else. Work will begin July 1st on one of the three projects and will have to be completed by October 1, 2013. The bridge work will be little noticed by commuters. The project will be to mitigate the scour problem under the bridge abutments. After the work is completed the placards will be removed. That means that the bridge will no longer be closed during major rain events. DOT will not hold a public hearing; however, the Selectmen will coordinate with the DOT and hold an informational meeting in mid -May.

The Board met with Dr. John Davis, RSU #57 Superintendent regarding his preliminary thoughts on the upcoming RSU #57 budget. Doctor Davis explained that it was clear to him that significant increases in assessments to the six towns would not be successful. He spent considerable time explaining and answering questions regarding the vision he has for staff and students and citizens of the district. He said that he has to figure out ways to bring all students to the desired level of accomplishment by graduation from Massabesic high school.

He will do this, he believes, with only modest increases in assessments, changing orientation of staff and students. He appreciates the help he has received in the past from the six towns Boards of Selectmen and is looking forward to working with the towns again.

The Board approved the minutes of the October 23rd Selectmen's meeting.

There was no old business.

The Board met with Bill Davis, Transfer Station Supervisor, at 6:00 p.m. in executive session called by the chairman, Glenn Dochtermann in accordance with MRSA Title 1 §405.6.E. after motion, second and approval by all to discuss a town contract. The meeting was called out by the Chair after motion and second and approval by all. There was no action taken or necessary.

Under new business, the Selectmen agreed to sign the renewal application for Workers Compensation.

The Selectmen talked about the MMA Labor and Employment workshop being rescheduled to November 27th.

The RSU#57 request for bids for old school busses was read. No action was taken.

The Board discussed the results of the Alfred Water District flow tests.

The Selectmen discussed the town hall renovation/expansion as brought up by Glenn Charette. At the end of discussion, the Board asked Glenn to meet with Joyce Wood and together work up a proposal.
There was no further new business.

The warrants were reviewed. After motion, second all voted in favor to approve and sign them as submitted.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
November 6, 2012

The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Fred Holt, Treasurer, shared a report from Standard and Poors Rating Services on the Town's financial management assessment rating. The rating has been increased from AA- to AA "based on the town's strong historical financial performance during a period of overall economic pressure and tax levy constraints." This was discussed. The Board thanked Mr. Holt for his service to the Town in achieving this rating increase. Mr. Holt agreed to share this information at the Quarterly Meeting.

John Lord, Road Commissioner reported that he has finished up with the summer roads work and he has been getting plow trucks ready. He reported on the Sanford road work on Shaw's Ridge which the Selectmen went to watch the process for paving where the roadway is "ground" to a certain depth and then cement poured and ground in as well before gravel and paving is done. All indicated that they were impressed with this method. All agreed to go look at a road that has been down for a couple of years to see how this process holds up. Research done on the Middle Branch Drive was shared and discussed.

Fred Holt then gave sealed bank statements from several accounts to the Board. Each was opened and reviewed and discussed as needed.

The minutes of both the October 23rd and October 30th Selectmen's meeting were read. It was moved and seconded to approve after minor corrections. All voted in favor.

It was then moved by Glenn Dochtermann and seconded by John Sylvester to call the meeting into executive session to review the MERC contract. After approval by all, the Chairman called the meeting in accordance with MRSA Title 1 § 405.6.E. at 5:30 pm. After proper procedure was followed, the meeting was called out of executive session at 5:45 p.m. No action was needed.

It was reported that research/discussions were continuing on potential changes at the town hall.

A notice from the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding the November 14th Public Hearing was read.

The Town Clerks end of month report for October was read.

The Board agreed to sign letters to all owners of junkyards in town for the annual permit renewal for their business for a November 27th Public Hearing to be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

A letter to the Code Officer, Glenn Charette, requesting that he inspect the junkyards in town prior to the Public Hearing was signed by the Board.

After explanation of a tax abatement, it was moved by George Donovan and seconded by John Sylvester to approve and sign and submitted. All voted in favor and the abatement was

signed.

The warrants were reviewed. Motion was made to approve and sign them as submitted. After second and approval by all, the warrants were signed by the Board.

Income to the Alfred Festival Committee for the sale of t-shirts was accepted and appropriated as submitted.

Under "Other Business" the Board discussed a conversation with the Town Attorney Brad Morin about the request to pay Judee Meyer \$40.52 through the ACLU. This came about when Ms. Meyer put up political signs on private property against the Town ordinances which did not allow them until days before the election. When she was asked to take them down, she did so and then she contacted the ACLU about this. The Town was told by the ACLU that the ordinance goes against first amendment rights, in this case for a person to have signs on their personnel property if they chose to let them be placed there. When the Town was made aware of this, Ms. Meyer was contacted by the CEO and told that she could put her signs back up. Ms. Meyer then, through the ACLU requested reimbursement "for reasonable costs incurred while abiding by the Alfred codes. She is asking for the federal mileage reimbursement rate of 55.5 cents per mile incurred as she and others physically took down and replaced her campaign signs around Alfred." The Town Attorney in his conversation to John Sylvester said that he would recommend that the Town pay the \$40.52 as this amount would be much less than what could potentially occur if a law suit were to take place. This potential did come up in the Attorney's conversation with the ACLU.

The Board discussed the upcoming Quarterly Meeting to be held next week, November 13th at the Town Hall. Items for the agenda were discussed and all agreed that Bill Davis, Transfer Station Supervisor and Glenn Charette, CEO will give presentations on their perspective department.

Lee Burnett of Sanford, Representative for "Forest Works" presented a slide show about the program. He gave explanations on the program and stated that he is looking for interested land/forest owners in York County who may be interested in learning about options on maintaining a good forest. Many questions were asked and discussed. The Selectmen agreed to hand out brochures to potentially interested land owners and to also speak with the Conservation Commission.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
November 13, 2012

The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Darcy Hobgood, Tax Collector, met with the Board to go over the end of month reports for October.

The minutes of the November 6th Selectmen's meeting were read. It was moved and seconded to approve them as submitted. All voted in favor.

The results of the November 6th elections were read.

The Board discussed an e-mail from Rescue Chief Matt Bors. The e-mail referenced a meeting he had with the Selectmen about the need for several items including RMS software. His email asked for confirmation to move forward with the purchase of this software to be paid half from this years budget and half from next years budget. After discussion the Board was in agreement that this was not what was approved but that he, Chief Bors, should look at the current budget to see if there would be enough funds to cover one of the smaller needs thus keeping it out of next year's budget. All agreed to relay this to Chief Bors.

An application for a contractor permit at the transfer station was reviewed. It was moved by John Sylvester and seconded by George Donovan to approve and sign the application and the permit. All voted in favor and the documents were signed.

The Notice of the RSU #57 Board of Directors meeting to be held for November 14th was read.

The Planning Board agenda for December 5, 2012 was read.

The Planning Board minutes for October 3rd and for November 7th were read.

The Selectmen signed a memo to the employees of the Town Hall requesting budget needs to include supplies and training for 2013.

After discussion of the capital improvement plan all were in agreement to draft a request to all departments to update the five year plan.. Also agreed upon was to add this to the pending article on the Selectmen's Agenda.

The warrants were reviewed. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to approve and sign them as submitted.

Income to the Fueling February account was accepted and appropriated as submitted.

The Board discussed the Volunteer/Employee appreciation night and all agreed to begin planning this with December 8th as the potential date.

Jon Lord, Road Commissioner, reported to the Board on several items.

- Sand /Salt container at the transfer station has been established with containment

around the material.

- 2013 budget – he reviewed his plans for the 2013 budget to include funds for canopy cutting town wide, connex box for supplies at the sand and salt site on Depot street and potential plans for paving. After discussion, the Board asked him to put this all together for formal presentation to them.

At 7:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned to attend the Selectmen's Quarterly Meeting.

Selectmen's Meeting
November 20, 2012

The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

The Treasurer, Fred Holt, met with the Board and Richard Ranagan from Gorham Savings Bank. The topic for discussion was the potential to refinance the loan for the Transfer Station because the percentage rates are down. The current loan has 10 years to go and is financed at 5%. Mr. Ranagan is proposing a 2.25% loan for ten years but explained that an eight year loan may be an option for savings as well. Documents were shared, reviewed and discussed. The savings to the town for the 2.25% refinance would save the Town around \$18,000. The timing of the refinancing and the process and costs to do this were explained by Mr. Ranagan. He said that the next period to go for refinance will be in June, 2013 but the process could begin when the Board agreed to move forward. There would be paperwork and information that needs to be put together by the Town. After discussion, he agreed to look at the figures for an 8 year refinance loan as requested by the Board and will provide that information to the Treasurer for further discussion.

Mr. Holt then presented the Board with an option to trade out the current copier at town hall and lease a copier with similar but better options including color. He explained that the first year of the lease would be lower than the current lease and that the new lease would be for five years with the same company with a trade in amount of \$1,500. The same service /maintenance agreement would be in place for the new machine. After further discussion, it was moved by John Sylvester to move forward with the new machine and lease. George Donovan seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

The minutes of November 13th Selectmen's meeting were read. It was moved and seconded to accept them as written with one minor correction.

George Donovan reported on the meeting he attended Monday evening at Kennebunk with other towns about the MERC contract in light of the sale of MERC to the Town of Biddeford and the future for disposal of municipal solid waste for the towns who have a current contract. He explained several items that were discussed last night to include the doing away of the GAT (guaranteed tonnage to the facility) a reduction in the cost to dispose waste (tipping fee) and the options for sites to bring the msw. This was discussed with the Board agreeing to the process of remaining a part of the "group: with Kennebunk and other towns in negotiations.

The Selectmen reviewed draft plans to make the town hall ADA compliant. The CEO, Glenn Charette was present for this portion of the meeting. After reviewing the plans as drafted by the CEO and reviewed by all town hall employees the Board agreed that he move forward with procuring some cost estimates for the potential renovations.

Jon Lord, Road Commissioner, reported that he has completed "putting up" the stockpile and will be getting a couple more loads of salt soon. He will be smoothing out the gravel roads and filling needed potholes. The Selectmen reviewed the Shaker Hill project for next year's paving budget. Mr. Lord gave an explanation with costs on prep work and two options for paving. Also discussed was the request made by residents on the Middle Branch Drive to

pave this road. After further discussion all were in agreement to bring back to next weeks meeting and that a cost for a survey on Middle Branch Drive would be ascertained.

2013 Budget items reviewed:

Zoning Board of Appeals
Audit
Interest on TANS
Planning Board
Historical Committee
Conservation Commission
Shaker Wood Reserve Committee
Shaker Valley Snow Travelers
Parsons Memorial Library
Road Committee

All were approved as requested except for the Road Committee request which was tabled for another time.

The monthly report from the York County Shelter was read.

A notice from MMA that the Fire Department has received a grand for safety equipment in the amount of \$2,000.

After review of the warrants, it was moved by Mr. Sylvester to approve and sign them as submitted. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
November 27, 2012

The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

The minutes of the November 20th Selectmen's meeting were read. It was moved, seconded and approved by all to approve them as written.

Jon Lord, Road Commissioner, met with the Board to go over proposals for his 2013 budget requests. Several items were reviewed and discussed.

The request from residents to pave the Middle Branch Drive was discussed. All were in agreement that before moving forward with estimates to prep and pave this road a survey would have to be done so that all property would be clarified as to what is town road or not. All agreed to contact Brad Lodge of Middle Branch Surveyors and ask him for a cost to have this survey completed. Both Jon Lord and Joyce Wood will work with Mr. Lodge to make sure he has all needed documents to be able to put together an estimate.

Winter Roads account request is the same as last year. The Stockpile account request is up by \$10,000 and Mr. Lord explained that he would like to put in a storage building on the sand and salt site to be able to store all road supplies like signs, guardrails, etc. The cost for this would be \$2,750. He also explained that the additional funds requested would be for additional use of salt to better treat the roads during ice events. The comparison of using salt, sand, a mixture of and of using calcium was discussed as well as a comparison of the cost of using the different materials.

The Highway Safety Guardrails account request is \$9,000, the same as in 2012. John Sylvester asked about a paved permanent speed bump on the Saco Road after which a discussion followed. One suggested that if one speed bump was installed then two should be installed at either end of Saco Road. Jon Lord said that he would do research on the cost of a permanent speed bump.

Summer Roads account: request by Mr. Lord is at \$140,000 which is up by \$20,000. He said that he would like to devote the extra \$20,000 to doing the canopy throughout town with concentration in 2013 on the Gebung Road. This was discussed.

The Board then requested that the spreadsheets used in budget process be changed to reflect the amount that was approved at the last annual town meeting. Mrs. Wood agreed to ask the Treasurer about this.

The Paving Prep account was then discussed in conjunction with the Paving account as there were options that needed to be presented and discussed. The road that is proposed to be paved in 2013 is the Shaker Hill Road. Options for two different types of prep/paving were explained in detail along with the costs for each option. The grinding process as is being done in many other towns gives a longer life for a roadway and must be done by an outside company with the proper equipment but is more expensive initially. The other process would call for the prep work to be done by the Road Commissioner which is less expensive. Mr. Lord recommended that the Town seriously consider the "grinding" method. He feels that

town money is better spent in the long run. Further discussion followed and all agreed to meet with the Budget Committee so that they could have the same explanation from the Road Commissioner. Before any decisions are made.

No votes were taken at this time on any of the roads budget items.

The Board discussed the MERC/Casella closing and disposing of solid waste.

Budget Requests from several Social Service Agencies were read, discussed and voted on in approval as follows:

American Red Cross	\$2,000
Caring Unlimited	\$ 750
Child Abuse Prevention	\$ 500
Counseling Services	\$1,000
Home Health Visiting Nurses	\$8,500
Agency on Aging	\$2,400
So. ME. Parent Awareness	\$ 250
Yk. Co. Community Action	\$2,100
York County Shelter	\$ 300

Glenn Charette met with the Selectmen prior to the 7:00 p.m. Public Hearing on Junkyards. He reviewed each inspection with the Board.

He then shared a letter from Attorney Libby, County Attorney, regarding any inspections /visits to the government building or other County owned facilities stating that he is not allowed on any of these properties without permission. All agreed to contact the Town Attorney on this matter to make sure the CEO can perform his duties as stated in the ordinances.

After review of the proposed schedule for Selectmen's Quarterly meetings and for the newsletter and a discussion of changing these to twice annually, it was moved by Mr. Sylvester to make no changes and keep them both quarterly. George Donovan seconded the motion. The vote was two to one to keep quarterly with Glenn Dochtermann voting no.

The RSU #57 November 28th meeting agenda was read.

John Sylvester made a motion to sign the warrants as submitted. George Donovan seconded, all voted in favor and they were signed. All income was accepted and appropriated as submitted.

Mr. Sylvester shared a letter from him to Barry Tibbetts, Town Manager of Kennebunk. The letter was a summarization of a meeting between the two about a proposed change of the County assessment of rural patrol to the Towns and Cities which would take into consideration the fairness of the assessment between the non-cop vs. the towns with police forces. He reported that the discussions on this matter have taken place in the past and that other municipalities in the County are now involved as well as discussions on other county assessments to municipalities.

He reported that there will be a Budget Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 5th and

a workshop on December 8th Saturday morning.

At 7:00 p.m. after motion, second and approval by all the Public Hearing for renewal of Junkyard permits in Alfred was opened.

Mr. Dochtermann explained what the hearing was for and asked the Code Officer, Glenn Charette to give his report on the inspection of the facilities. Mr. Charette said that all were in compliance and recommended approval of renewing the permits. He did recommend one condition of M & J that if the property were to sell that the new owner must meet town regulation and apply for a permit in their name.

Mr. Dochtermann opened the Hearing up for public comment and seeing none; it was moved and seconded to end the Hearing. It was then moved by John Sylvester and seconded by George Dugovic to authorize the permit renewal for all with the condition set on M & J Garage as recommended by the Codes Officer. All voted in favor and the permits were signed by the Board.

A recommendation was made to light up the bushes in the garden in front of the town hall. After discussion all agreed to look into the cost to do this.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
December 4, 2012

The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Attorneys Ron Bourque and Brad Morin met with the Board and the Code Officer, Glenn Charette to discuss legal matters. It was moved by John Sylvester and seconded by George Donovan to go into an executive session. All voted in approval. The meeting was called into executive session by the Chairman, Glenn Dochtermann, in accordance with MRSA Title 1 §405, 6.E, consultation between the Board and its attorney concerning legal issues at 4:05 p.m.

The meeting was called out of executive session after following proper procedure at 5:05.

John Sylvester reported on attending the swearing in ceremony of the newly elected legislatures in Augusta earlier in the day.

He also reported that there will be a Twelve-Town Group meeting on Monday, December 17th at 6:30 p.m. to discuss rural patrol funding apportionment by the County.

The minutes of November 27th were not available.

A notice from the District Attorney's office which reported that restitution in the amount of \$50 has been given for vandalism at the Alfred Park earlier this summer was read.

After review of the warrants, motion was made by John Sylvester to approve and sign them as submitted. George Donovan seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Income was accepted and appropriated by the Board as submitted.

The annual Town Report cover and dedication were discussed. It was moved by John Sylvester to dedicate the 2013 Town Report to the Employees of the Alfred Transfer Station and that they will also be on the cover. Second was made by George Donovan and all voted in approval.

Jon Lord, Road Commissioner, met with the Board to report on current road activity. He reported on the two storms that created some icing on some roads. He said that he sanded/salted as needed to keep the roads safe for travel.

The Veteran's Committee request for the 2013 budget was discussed. It was moved, seconded and voted by all to approve the request of \$532 for the 2013 warrant.

Chief Bors and Chief Lord spoke with the Selectmen about the RMS, software to use in the operations of fire and rescue. The software would hold five terminal users and will be a much needed upgrade to the current software used. They explained that they would like to purchase this software and make two payments, one this year and the remainder in next years budget and would also like to "split" the cost between the two departments as both will be using it. They gave an explanation of the benefits to using this program and gave a list of

other departments who are currently using it. After further discussion and looking at the amounts currently left in the two 2012 accounts, the Selectmen asked them to look into whether it may be possible to incur the cost in one year, preferably this year so that good accounting practices might be followed. Both Chiefs agreed to look into this and report back.

Chief Lord then reported that David Bohlman will be leaving office as the Emergency Management Director for York County to take a position with FEMA. The interim Director will be Dave Francour until a replacement is found.

Deputy Chief Tim Wilkins and Treasurer Dave from the Ross Corner Fire Department met with the Selectmen to present the request for 2013 on behalf of the Ross Corner Fire Department in Shapleigh which services Alfred, Shapleigh and Waterboro. Paperwork was reviewed and discussed. Many questions were asked and discussed by all. It was moved and seconded to approve the requested amount of \$7,837.00 (rounded). All voted in favor.

Rescue Chief, Matt Bors and Fire Chief, David Lord, then went over the remainder of their requests for the 2013 budget. Spreadsheets were shared with all and line items were discussed in detail. Increases were explained and a couple of items that would be new items in 2013 were explained and discussed. The following items were voted on as follows:

Public Safety Building	\$26,400
Inside Lighting	\$8,000
Fire Alarm System	\$8,900
Emergency Management Agency	\$2,200
Immunizations	\$3,000
Rescue Operations	\$58,255
Sale of old zoll machine	- \$5,805.89

The request in the amount of \$34,981.75 for a Zoll machine(heart monitor) was tabled for further discussion after more of the budget figures were in.

John Sylvester reported that he will be contacting Gordon Prime for an estimate to do work at the Littlefield Dam.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
December 11, 2012

The meeting opened at 4:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Fred Holt, Treasurer, met with the Selectmen to present the bank statements to them for opening. Each one was opened and reviewed.

Mike Cote, Commissioner Elect, met with the Selectmen at their request. The Board welcomed him and introductions followed. Mr. Cote reported on his campaigning experiences and what he has been doing since the elections. He reported meeting with the County Sheriff, attending Commissioners meetings and a Budget Committee meeting gathering a "feel" for what's going on. He has also been visiting and speaking with several Social Service Agencies in York County. He said that he plans to continue in this manner until he takes office. He did say that one issue he sees is the relationship between the County Commissioners and the York County Budget Committee and he would like to see this resolved so that business can move forward. He said that he would like to see the Commissioner meetings televised. He believes that meeting with the towns he represents is important and after further discussion of these topics and others he said that "he will do the best job he can."

The minutes of the November 27 and the December 4th Selectmen's meetings were read. It was moved and seconded to approve after on minor correction. All voted in favor.

A quote from Brad Lodge of Middle Branch, Inc to do a survey on the Middle Branch Drive was read. The quote was for between \$3,500 and \$4,000. This was discussed with the Board agreeing to put the quote on the 2013 budget planning agenda.

It was reported that after reviewing financial figures, the Fire and Rescue Chiefs have come up with the amount of \$6,600 for the purchase of the RMS, software for emergency services as approved by the Selectmen at a prior meeting. The billing for this program is on the current warrant for approval by the Board.

The list of potential vendors for the drawing for the upcoming Volunteer Night was reviewed and split up between the Board members.

Mrs. Wood reported on her findings of the cost to hook up electricity for the purpose of "lighting up" the bushes in the garden. Several options were discussed with prices ranging from \$1,100 to \$1,550 to establish a permanent set up that would be available year round. After discussion the Board agreed that this was not a feasible task to undertake at this time.

Joyce Wood reported on the sale of BBI to Casella and reported that she has spoken with a representative from BBI who reported that things should continue "business as usual" and that he will be in touch for the ongoing discussions of the renewal of the contract with the Town of Alfred.

A memo from the Planning Board was read. The memo asked for the Selectmen's input on the ordinance covering the land use table regarding the repair and sale of motor vehicles in the Center Village District. All agreed to speak with the Code Officer, Glenn Charette about this.

The Planning Board agenda for the January 2, 2013 meeting was read.

The Planning Board minutes of November 7th and December 5th were read.

The Board read the notice of meeting for the RSU #57 December 10th meeting.

The Town Clerk's end of month report for November was read.

Renewal Certificates for John Cook as Election Warden and for Andrew Bors as Registrar of Voters were discussed. It was moved by John Sylvester to approve and reappoint both men to the perspective positions. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor. After further discussions, all were in agreement to invite Mr. Cook in to go over elections processes.

John Sylvester reported on a matter brought up at the Alfred Budget Committee meeting last night, Monday, December 10, 2012 regarding a policy that will give authorization to one or two people to speak with the press/reporters about issues going on in town. Joyce Wood reported that she has sent questioning on this matter to ZMMA Legal Department and has also asked for sample policies.

It was then reported that Jeff Simpson has contacted Mrs. Wood about chipping the brush/wood pile. She reported to the Board that he would like to come twice a year as he used to because the brush and wood pile are too big to handle in one day. The extra work, he said will cost the Town \$600 to cover time and labor. Also discussed was the wood pile that is kept separate for use by residents which he was asked to "chip" as well which also added more time. The matter of sawdust/wood chips being dumped in this area was another concern. These items were discussed by the Board. All agreed that the cost, if it were \$600 above the bi-annual cost of \$3,000 each time then the Town will pay the additional. All agreed to bring this up with the Supervisor after research has been completed by him for other options for chipping.

The warrants were reviewed. One item on the warrant was discussed with the Board agreeing to follow up in the budget process for the 2013 budget.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Selectmen's Meeting
December 18, 2012

The meeting opened at 4:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan and John Sylvester.

Fred Holt, Treasurer, met with the Board to go over several matters. After reviewing a draft policy on employees purchasing personal items on Town accounts, it was moved by George Donovan and seconded by John Sylvester to approve and sign the policy as written. All voted in favor and the policy was signed. Also discussed was the additional \$600 charge from Simpson for grinding. All were in agreement to pay the extra \$600 due to the additional grinding of the "wood" pile.

Darcy Hobgood, Tax Collector, shared and explained the end of month report for November.

Glen Charette, CEO, reviewed the ordinance regarding Land Use Category #11 on motor vehicle sales , etc. He explained what the ordinance means and after discussion, the Board agreed to give further thought as to any changes that they may feel are necessary so that they can respond to the Planning Board memo regarding this section of the ordinance.

The minutes of the December 11, 2012 Selectmen's meeting were read. It was moved by John Sylvester to approve after minor corrections. George Donovan seconded and all voted in favor.

It was moved by John Sylvester and seconded by George Donovan to approve and sign reappointment certificates for the following:

1. Matthew Bors Rescue Chief
2. Carl French Assistant Rescue Chief
3. Judy French Deputy Rescue Chief

The two items under Old Business were tabled.

At 7:00 p.m. Amy Moore and Stella Holt, representative members from the Park and Recreation Committee shared the 2013 budget request with the Selectmen. After discussion it was moved and seconded to approve \$13,000.00 for Park and Recreation. Next discussed was the potential to build a new concession stand/storage facility at the Alfred Park because of the poor condition of the current one. This was discussed with no decision made at this time.

The Board read and discussed a letter from ECO Maine. Not decisions were needed.

The Alfred Water District notice of nitrate testing results was read.

Warrants were reviewed. After motion, second and approval by all they were signed as submitted.

The meeting was adjourned.

Selectmen's Meeting
December 31, 2012

The meeting opened at 4:00 p.m. Present were Glenn Dochtermann, George Donovan, John Sylvester and Joyce Wood.

Jon Lord, Road Commissioner, and Susan and Scott Morgan met with the Board to discuss the easement owned by abutting property owners at the end of Fort Ridge Road. The section of this easement for discussion is off of the Town owned portion of the Fort Ridge Road and is prior to the Morgan's driveway. Mr. Morgan said that they hire a man to plow their "driveway" but not the right of way as the Town has plowed that under an agreement to have a spot to "dump" the snow. He said that the right of way is deteriorated, water is running across and ice is built up. They are not able to get out and he broke a brake line trying to get the ice off the road. He said he is willing to do some work on the road but can't with the condition it is in and would like some help from the Town.

Mr. Lord suggested that ongoing maintenance work has not been done which has brought the road to the condition it is in to which Mr. Morgan responded that he has put some work into the right of way but at one point was told to stop what he was doing by the Town's CEO.

It was then reported that the Town Attorney, Attorney Morin has said that the 2004 letter to the Morgan's only gives the Town the option to plow snow with the agreement of dumping the snow and does not give the Town any other options of maintenance. An e-mail from him went on to say that he would consider the removal of an ice build up as part of the plowing.

Suggestions were made to remove the ice and bring in a load of gravel to which the Road Commissioner strongly disagreed. Mr. Morgan offered to ditch and re-dig a water burm above this area to take the water in a different direction.

After much further discussion, it was moved by George Donovan to break and push back the ice and to contact the Town Attorney before any further work was done by the Town. John Sylvester seconded and all voted in favor.

Joyce Wood explained a problem at the transfer station to do with the platform system to load the baler. She said that she and the Treasurer, Fred Holt, who was also present, went to the station so that the supervisor could show them what the problem was. After discussion all agreed that she contact Casella and if needed Atlantic Leasing to see if there were options to replace the equipment currently used to load the baler.

Mrs. Wood reported that Attorney Morin has told her that the Selectmen's prior offer to send \$40.52 to the ACLU for Judee Meyer along with a statement for her to sign stating the she will not pursue any further litigation against the Town of Alfred has been refused by Mrs. Meyer. The Selectmen then discussed the suggestion from Attorney Morin to send the check with a letter stating that "by the cashing of this check you agree not pursue any action against the Town of Alfred." It was moved by George Donovan and seconded by John Sylvester to do so. All voted in favor.

John Sylvester reported that the York County Budget Committee will hold the Public Hearing for the County proposed budget on January 16th in the basement of the Court House at 6:30p.m.

After review of the winter road contract with Jon Lord of J.G. Lord Excavation it was moved and seconded to sing the contract as written. All voted in favor and the contract was signed in duplicate.

The Board then reviewed the stockpile agreement which re-establishes a sand stockpile at

the pit on Route 4 maintained by C.S. Lord Jr. After discussion it was moved and seconded to approve and sign the agreement as written. All voted in favor.

After review of the warrants, it was moved and seconded to approve and sign them as submitted. All voted in favor.

Income to the Park and Recreation account was accepted and appropriated as submitted with approval of the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.