

**Town of West Bath
Selectmen Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2014**

Town of West Bath Board of Selectmen
Mrs. Paula Nelson, Chair
Mr. David Bourget
Mr. Peter Oceretko

Town Administrator Jonathan Davis
Town Clerk Robert Morris

Attending: David Hennessey; Steve Kalisz

A regular meeting of the West Bath Board of Selectmen was held on **Monday, June 9th, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.** in the meeting room of the West Bath Town Hall, 219 Fosters Point Road, West Bath, ME.

- I. Called to Order by Chair Nelson at 5:30 pm.
- II. Attendance and Establishment of Quorum
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. CONSENT AGENDA
 1. Approval of Minutes for May 28th 2014
 2. Approval of Warrant
 3. Upcoming Meeting(s):
 - a.) The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 23rd, 2014 at the West Bath Town Hall.

Motion made by Selectman Bourget to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Selectman Oceretko. **Unanimously Approved.**

- V. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.
- VI. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS – Steve Kalisz asked if the town had received notice from MDOT of a Hearing this Thursday, 6:00 pm. at Bath City Hall about their rebuilding the Old Brunswick Road bridge between West Bath/Bath and Brunswick. Nobody present was made aware of this Hearing. Mr. Kalisz planned to attend because he’s an abutter to the roadway there.

VII. COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT/WORK GROUP REPORTS

1. Withdrawal Committee –

Selectman Oceretko stated that they were awaiting a response from the RSU1 on their preliminary proposal, and understood that they are having a meeting again this week and we may have their response to through our attorney sometime next week.

We've have mostly concluded the cost model for West Bath School stand-alone as far as they can go without incorporating other parties and additional information from other school systems.

The Withdrawal Committee will hold an Executive Session on June 25th at the Fire Hall with the Brunswick Superintendant, School Board chair and members of their staff. We have touched base with Topsham to schedule a meeting with them.

Debt discussion: The debt and what we're going to do about it will be a hot topic of discussion once we receive back RSU1's response to our proposal and the negotiations begin. Peter asked that before he presents support or defense on where we stand on the debt question, he would like the Board's input and views regarding how the "town" views the debt situation, and asks that an executive session be scheduled for the next Board meeting to meet with the Withdrawal Committee and their attorney.

VIII. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Overboard Discharge Expense

Chair Nelson briefed that we've been carrying this debt since 2002 and our auditor has suggested that we can either raise it at Town Meeting and pay it or pay it out of the Selectmen's Contingency's Fund. This is money that's owed the town for work done and is uncollectable.

Motion made by Selectman Bourget that we pay this \$2,415.07 out of Selectmen's Contingency. Seconded by Selectman Oceretko. **Unanimously Approved.**

2. RSU Withdrawal Debt Discussion – previously discussed above.

3. Town Administrator's Report – available at the Town Hall upon request.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)

1. Request to enter into an executive session pursuant to Title 1, Chapter 13, Section 405.6, of the M.R.S.A. for the purpose of discussing real estate and economic development issues.

Motion made by Selectman Bourget to enter into Executive Session at 5:53 pm. Seconded by Selectman Oceretko. **Unanimously Approved.**

Board resumed regular session at 6:35 pm.

X. SELECTMEN COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1) 6/10/2014 - PRIMARY ELECTION - West Bath Fire Hall

Primary Election West Bath Fire Hall, 192 State Rd, West Bath. Polls open 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

XI. ADJOURNMENT - **Motion** made by Selectman Bourget, seconded by Selectman Oceretko to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm by **unanimous acclamation**.

Attested to be a true copy.

Robert K. Morris, Town Clerk