

Town of Newmarket, NH
Town Council Business Meeting
January 4, 2006
Town Council Chambers
Meeting Minutes
Non-Public

Present:

Al Dixon, Town Administrator
Lorrienne Caprioli, Chairman
Gerry Hamel, Vice Chairman
Dana Glennon
Wil Hamel
Brian Hart
Jen Jarvis
Brian Morrison

10. Non-Public RSA 91-A:3 II

Motion: To enter into Non-Public RSA 91 A:3 II at 8:25p.m.

Motioned: Councilor W. Hamel

Seconded: Councilor Morrison

Vote: 7-0 Motion carries

Councilor Hart	Aye
Councilor Morrison	Aye
Councilor G. Hamel	Aye
Councilor W. Hamel	Aye
Councilor Glennon	Aye
Councilor Jarvis	Aye
Councilor Caprioli	Aye

Administrator Dixon explained that the contracts for dispatch service in Stratham and Newfields were up for renewal. He stated that after an analysis of services had been completed, it was found that Newfields should be charged about \$40,000 per year, but were only being charged \$17,000 and Stratham should be charged \$85,000 and was only being charged \$57,000. A contract would be proposed to Newfields to be at \$40,374 by the year 2010 and Stratham to be at \$85,000 by the same year. The Town should know the recommendations of the selectmen by the budget hearings.

Councilor Caprioli explained that the damage to the Rousseau property had been covered by the insurance with a \$1,000 deductible.

Administrator Dixon stated that there had been one offer presented, and the cut-off date was the January Workshop.

Administrator Dixon explained that the Lamprey Cooperative was taking up discussions on waste disposal. There were talks about going with Waste Management, who wanted a 20 year exclusive rights contract. They got all or none. A meeting would be held soon to discuss the location.

Councilor Caprioli explained that union negotiations had come to a point where the rest of the Council's input was needed. She explained that the union wanted retroactive pay, which would be for a period of a year and a half now. The also wanted cost of living allowances. She stated that she would suggest an evaluation and merit increase process. Each individual would be evaluated and based on that evaluation they would get an increase of 0% to 5%. The union wanted binding arbitration the Town wanted non-binding so appeals could be done if necessary. The negotiations on both parts have been reasonable.

The Council discussed the Walker property including offers to buy, grant money, condemnation and speaking with Mr. Walker's children. Other properties throughout the town were also discussed including the barn across from the Sewell Well on Route 152.

Motion: To direct the Town Administrator to direct the Code Enforcement Officer to condemn the Walker house.

Motioned: Councilor Glennon

Councilor Hart explained that the home was a private dwelling and not a public place and therefore the safety concerns were minimal.

Motion: To advise the Town Administrator to do nothing with the Walker property.

Motioned: Councilor Hart

Councilor Caprioli suggested that Administrator Dixon send a letter citing the safety issues that were apparent from the street, including a time frame in which to take care of those issues. If those issues were not taken care of in that time frame, the Town Council would discuss further action.

The Council discussed "reigning" in Dan Vincent, Code Enforcement Officer. The suggestion was to be more consistent when addressing safety codes.

Motion: To end Non-Public RSA 91 A:3 II at 9:15p.m.

Motioned: Councilor W. Hamel

Seconded: Councilor Glennon

Vote: 7-0 Motion carries

Councilor Hart	Aye
Councilor Morrison	Aye
Councilor G. Hamel	Aye
Councilor W. Hamel	Aye
Councilor Glennon	Aye
Councilor Jarvis	Aye
Councilor Caprioli	Aye