

**ROCKPORT SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY JUNE 17, 2013
ROCKPORT OPERA HOUSE**

Present: Chair, William Chapman, Vice-Chair Charlton Ames, Tracy Lee Murphy, Geoffrey Parker and Kenneth McKinley. Also Present: Interim Town Manager Roger Moody, Members of the Public and the press (Holly, Pen Bay Pilot; Dwight, Village Soup/Courier and Steve Betts, Bangor Daily News.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair Bill Chapman at 6:45 P.M.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Title 1, M.R.S.A., Section 405 (6) (A) to discuss a personnel matter

Tracy Murphy moved to go into Executive Session at 6:45 P.M. pursuant to Title 1, M.R.S.A., Section 405 (6)(A) to discuss a personnel matter. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 4 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

Geoffrey Parker arrived a little late (7:00 P.M.)

Kenneth McKinley moved to leave Executive Session at 7:04 P.M. Geoffrey Parker seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

II. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

At 7:05 P.M., the Chair, Bill Chapman reconvened the meeting.

- a. Next Regular Select Board Meeting on Monday, June 24, 2013, 7:00 P.M., Rockport Opera House, to be televised on Channel 22
- b. Agenda Changes – Tracy Murphy stated that she would like to add the appointment of the Town Manager under New Business.
- c. Public Comment - None

III. NEW BUSINESS:

Geoffrey Parker moved to appoint Richard C. Bates of Camden as the Town Manger to be effective immediately. Tracy Murphy seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

Tracy – said that she was eternally grateful for the Town Manager Search Committee and the 2 months of very hard work that they had put into the process. They came up with a great group of candidates for us to choose from. I really feel that Rick is the candidate for us. She also thanked the rest of the Select Board for all the time that they had spent on the process.

Charlton agreed with Tracy's statement.

Ken remarked that because of the Town Charter the process worked very well.

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Bill – agreed with all of the comments.

Geoff stated that he was speechless at 7:10 P.M.

Bill – the salary will be \$80,000 annually with vacation and other benefits. The contract will be signed tonight and be on file at the Town Office tomorrow. I would ask anyone wanting a copy of the contract to use the FOA process.

The Board has agreed unanimously with a vote of 5 for and 0 opposed for hiring Richard C. Bates as our new Town Manager.

The Board and Richard Bates signed the contract witnessed by Linda M. Greenlaw, Town Clerk

Geoff – I would like to thank Roger for the amazing job he did while he was interim. This includes the hiring of two new department heads, negotiating the EMS contract and putting together a great budget with a calming effect.

a. Approval of July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2015 Emergency Management Services (EMS) contract

Geoffrey Parker moved to approve the Emergency Management Services (EMS) contract for July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2015, with North East Mobile Services and to allow the Town Manager to sign that agreement. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

Roger – we have a meeting tomorrow and will make a few final tweaks to the contract.

Need to make sure that our fire chief has arranged for mutual aid regarding extrication

Geoff – will the contract be signed by the newly appointed Town Manager?

Tracy – I want to thank Roger, Geoff and Ken for all their work on this project. Thank you!

Ken – all of the towns have been working together and it has been a great experience.

Charlton – the outcome looks positive. There should be a quarterly review on how the process is going so that residents can be comfortable how this is working.

Roger – there will be a quarterly performance review.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Title 1, M.R.S.A., Section 405 (6) (A) to discuss a personnel matter

Tracy Murphy moved to go into Executive Session at 7:22 P.M. pursuant to Title 1, M.R.S.A., Section 405 (6)(A) to discuss a personnel matter Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

We will be meeting with the Town Manager Search Committee.

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Geoffrey Parker moved to leave Executive Session at 8:23 P.M. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

III. ADJOURNMENT

Kenneth McKinley moved to adjourn the meeting. Geoffrey Parker seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
LINDA M. GREENLAW,
TOWN CLERK