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**Selectmen:**  
Penelope Alley  
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## Board of Selectmen's Minutes

**Tuesday, July 27th, 2010**

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

Called to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Selectmen- Penelope Alley, John Spear and Jeffrey Northgraves

John Spear left at 7:20 pm.

Fire Chief: Bryan Calderwood

Deputy Fire Chief: Robert Grierson

Attorney: Randal Watkinson

Guests: Todd Butler, John Elliot, Tom Caitlan and Ian Ellis.

### **I. Recognize Guests:**

Attorney: Randal Watkinson - Strout & Payson

Randal Watkinson was present to ask the Board of Selectmen to sign a finding of fact for Warnershores, LLC, stating any violations that may or may not exist of the town's ordinances would not be subject to any enforcement action by the Town in the future. After a lengthy discussion the Board agreed not to sign the document. The Board stated that it was his client choice if he wanted to bring a declaratory judgment action requesting the same relief.

### **II. Recognize Departments:**

Code Enforcement Officer:

a) Ferriolo Property:

Mr. Terrio presented a letter to inform them Ferriolo's is still in the process of cleaning up the property. He requested the office building needed repair and the end of the building now has no roof or siding and needs to be completely renovated or removed.

b) Foster Beach Property:

Mr. Terrio informed the Select Board Mr. Rackliff (1/3 interest in the property) did not want the structure on the property removed and was filing an appeal, with the Planning Board of Appeals. Colin Clark from the DEP is still working on the Shoreland Violations. Barbara Black will research previous violations, actions and fines.

### **III. Robert Grierson -Executive Session:**

Jeffrey Northgraves made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to Title 1, MRSA 405, 6, A. Discussion or consideration of employment, appointment, assignment, duties, promotion, demotion, compensation, evaluation, disciplining, resignation or dismissal of an individual. John Spear seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 3-0.**

Exit executive session at 7:15 p.m.

### **V. New Business:**

a) Set Selectmen's Meeting(s) for August:

The Board set a date of August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 following a Special Town Meeting at 6:00 p.m.



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b) Appointments:

1) Solid Waste Committee Member:

Jeffrey Northgraves made a motion to appoint Moira Paddock as a member of the Solid Waste Committee for a one year term. Penelope Alley seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 2-0.**

2) Alternate Board of Appeals Member:

**Board tabled: 2-0.**

c) Heating Fuel for 2010-2011 Season:

Barbara Black will send out letters to solicit bids for the upcoming heating season.

d) URIP (Urban Rural Initiative Program)

Jeffrey Northgraves made a motion to sign/execute the Urban Rural Initiative Program for 2010-2011. Penelope Alley seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 2-0.**

e) Comprehensive Plan – Maine State Planning Office Review:

The Board reviewed the letter from the Maine State Planning Office. On June 1, 2010 the Maine State Planning Office received and accepted for review the Town of South Thomaston's Comprehensive Plan. The letter informed the Board the State Office found the Plan to be both complete and consistent with the Maine Growth Act.

**IV. 2010 Tax Commitment:**

a) 2010 Municipal Tax Assessment Warrant:

Assessments:

County Tax - \$266,630.18

Municipal Appropriations -\$458,376.00

School Appropriations - \$2,269,958.00

Overlay - \$9,997.94

Deductions:

State Revenue Sharing -\$54,600.00

Homestead Reimbursement - \$26,806.50

BETE Reimbursement- \$45.62

Other Revenue- \$57,871.42

John Spear made a motion to sign /execute the Municipal Tax Assessment, with the net assessment for commitment of \$2,865,638.58, with a mil rate of 11.10. Jeffrey Northgraves seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 3-0.**

b) 2010 Certificate of Assessment:

John Spear made a motion to sign /execute the Certificate of Assessment. Jeffrey Northgraves seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 3-0.**



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c) 2010 Assessor's Certificate of Assessment:

John Spear made a motion to sign /execute the Certificate of Assessment to be returned to Municipal Treasurer. Jeffrey Northgraves seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 3-0.**

d) 2010 Certificate of Assessment to be returned to Municipal Treasurer:

John Spear made a motion to sign /execute the Certificate of Assessment to be returned to Municipal Treasurer. Jeffrey Northgraves seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 3-0.**

e) Knox County Assessor's Return:

John Spear made a motion to sign /execute the Knox County Assessor's Return for the amount of \$266,630.18. Jeffrey Northgraves seconded the motion.

**Board approved: 3-0.**

**VI. Old Business:**

a) South Thomaston's Fireman's Association (disbanded) Funds:

John Spear made a motion to draft a letter authorizing the Chair to advise the Attorney General's Office the South Thomaston's Fireman's Association (disbanded) funds have not been turned over to the town to date. Jeffrey Northgraves seconded the motion. Jeffrey Northgraves will draft the letter.

**Board approved: 3-0.**

b) Draft Agreement for Warming and Power Center:

The Board tabled to have time to review the draft.

**Board tabled: 2-0.**

c) Georges River Shellfish:

**Board tabled: 2-0.**

d) Charles Ellis – Kittredge Memorial

The Board set a tentative date of August 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for a Special Town Meeting to seek approval to place a Submarine Memorial on town property.

**VII. Other Business:**

a) Review Correspondence:

MMA Vice President & Executive Committee Members Ballot:

No action.

b) Fire Department Auxiliary Letter:

Penelope Alley asked the Fire Chief about a letter that was sent to residents asking for donations for the department to purchase an All Terrain Vehicle. The Board informed the Chief if the department was to purchase specifically, an ATV utilizing donated funds it would require town meeting approval. The Board felt the letter should have been approved by the Board before sending, as it had the South Thomaston Fire Department at the top of the letter and Chief Calderwood's signature. Chief Calderwood will speak with the auxiliary regarding the letter.



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**VIII. Administration:**

- a) Approved Selectmen's Minutes for June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010:
- b) Authorized Treasurers Warrants:
- c) Reviewed Check Reconciliation for June, 2010:

**VIII. Adjournment:**

8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Black  
Administrative Assistant