

MINUTES
SPECIAL SELECTBOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

The St. Johnsbury SelectBoard held a Special SelectBoard Meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 beginning at 5:45p.m. in the Town Manager's Office, Main Street.

SelectBoard Members Present: Chairperson Daniel Kimbell, Gary Reis, Bryon Quatrini, Jean Hall Wheeler, and Jim Rust.

Others Present: Bob Wilcox, Dinah Yessne, Jon Beck, Diane Beck, Robert Butterfield, Taylor Reed, and Town Manager Mike Welch.

Chairperson Kimbell called the meeting to Order with the Pledge at approximately 5:45p.m.

COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER OFFICE/CONFERENCE SPACE – Dinah Yessne, Director of the Community Justice Center, stated that she has contacted numerous property-owners in St. Johnsbury to inquire about affordable office space for the Justice Center. Dinah stated that Doug Spates owns the building that was formerly occupied by NEKCA on Cherry Street. Dinah said that Spates has offered 1 large office space, 2 small offices, and access to a conference room – with heat and electricity included for \$400 per month. Dinah said that the space is handicapped accessible and is a convenient location in the community. Dinah said that the Justice Center Grant period ends on June 30, 2010 – so the initial rental agreement will be for October 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010. The Manager provided a copy of the current expenses in the Community Center account. A total of \$49,150 was budgeted, \$26,377 expended, with a balance remaining of \$22,772. The Manager stated that rental expenses for the balance of 2009 would come from the savings of not heating the Community Center this winter. Beginning in 2010, the Town would need to budget for the rental payment for the Justice Center, and between payment for rent, and in-kind services provided, the Town will be able to meet the 25% matching requirement of the grant. The Manager stated that this space will meet the needs of the Justice Center better than the available space in the Pomerleau Building. Following discussion, it was moved by Gary Reis, seconded by Bryon Quatrini, and unanimously voted (5-0) to approve the rental of office space in the Spate's building on Cherry Street in the amount of \$400 per month, heat and electricity included, for the period 10/1/09 – 6/30/10.

OTHER BUSINESS - Bryon Quatrini recommended that the St. Johnsbury SelectBoard recognize the excellent work that Mary Dekoeyer has done maintaining the area surrounding the Colonial Apartments. Members of the Board agreed and directed the Manager to prepare a letter for signature by the Board.

Expenditure Warrants: Members of the Board reviewed, approved, and signed expenditure warrants as follows:

Grant Fund	2212 – 2213	\$2,093.82
	2214 – 2214	\$1,150.00
General Fund	62555 -62607	\$576,210.65
	62608 – 62676	\$299,994.93
	62677 – 62681	\$ 89,607.31
	62682 – 62723	\$ 66,132.09

Having no further business or requests, it was moved by Bryon Quatrini, seconded by Gary Reis, and unanimously voted (5-0) to adjourn at approximately 5:59p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Welch, Town Manager