

ALL 2012 MINUTES

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – January 3, 2012

Present: Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Hannah Hatfield, GW Martin, Bridget McKeen, (Ora and Bea), Sandy George, Diana Chapin, Sue Martin, Moe Martin, Jason Glick, Rick Sawyer, John Billings

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 12-27-11 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #1 for \$10,186.87 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Properties. The Board has heard from two of the four property owners whose properties have foreclosed due to nonpayment of 2009 taxes regarding their plans to pay off their taxes.
5. The Board agreed to accept a proposed Dog Control Ordinance from Tom Carter for inclusion on the 2012 town meeting warrant.
6. GW Martin was granted permission to hold an informational meeting on the proposed Local Food Ordinance on Friday, January 13 at 5:30 at the Town House. Unfortunately, due to a miscommunication between GW and Treasurer/Tax Collector Mary Thompson, GW was upset because he mistakenly thought he was being denied the use of the Town House. However, the board had not discussed nor been approached about him using the building for an ordinance-related public meeting. He agreed to take responsibility for the woodstove, supply firewood, not allow use of the bathroom, and clean up after the event.
7. John Billings, GW Martin, and Sue Martin expressed disagreement with the current Town House policy that limits use of the building during the winter to town business. The general consensus of the meeting was to develop a new policy so that groups can use the building in the winter. The Board agreed to reconsider the policy.
8. GW Martin submitted a petition on a proposed ordinance to be included on the annual town meeting warrant entitled, "Town House Traditional Use Ordinance of the Town of Montville."
9. Hannah Hatfield asked that an article be included on the warrant to allow funds in the Nash Lot account to be used for planting fruit and nut trees on town-owned property.
10. Meeting ended at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – January 10, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Hannah Hatfield, GW Martin, Bridget McKeen, Denise Miner, Rick Sawyer, Moe Martin, Ray Antaki

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 1-3-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #2 for \$34,350.82 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Properties. Nothing new.
5. The Board signed a letter of notification to the state auditor regarding the annual audit.
6. The Board accepted the proposed "Town House Traditional Use Ordinance" for inclusion on the town meeting warrant. The signatures on the petition were validated.

7. Grange furnace. We found out yesterday when Thompson's came to clean the furnace that the furnace and oil tank are in bad shape. We will begin to get estimates for both repairing the current system and installing a propane system.
8. Local Food Ordinance. We learned this week from MMA that because the proposed ordinance was brought to the board by petition, it cannot be amended before town meeting. If GW and other supporters want to change the proposed ordinance, it will need to be submitted as a new ordinance and we will need to include both versions of the ordinance on the warrant. The Board assured GW that they will accept a new version of the ordinance and he will not need to gather signatures on a petition.
9. The Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 7 at 7:00 on the three ordinances that have been proposed: Dog Control, Traditional Use of Town House, and Local Foods. The location will be announced later.
10. The Board is working on developing the warrant for town meeting as well as the 2012 budget. They invite town residents to give input on both at their meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7:00 p.m.
11. Transfers to balance accounts. The Board voted to transfer \$10,305.60 from Snow Removal and Sanding to the following accounts for the purpose of balancing these accounts.

Payroll Liability—all offices	\$381.27
Insurance WC/UE—admin	581.16
Roads and Bridges	2,989.88
Equip Repair & Maint PW	167.15
Wages HS	1,375.99
VFD Operations	723.16
VFD Equipment	1,717.49
Fire Dept Wages	2,212.50
Landscaping Town Prop	50.00
Education	7.00
Landscape Contractor Cemetery	100.00
TOTAL	\$10,305.60
12. The Board voted to carry over the \$1,937.73 from the VFD matching grants account and \$2,543.73 from the town house account to next year.
13. The Board decided to ask Don Berry if he is available to be moderator for this year's town meeting.
14. The Board recommends that the discount rate remains at 1% (to be voted on at town meeting).
15. The Board recommends that the maximum interest rate for delinquent taxes remains at 5% (to be voted on at town meeting).
16. The Board recommends that the interest rate on overpayment of taxes remains at 2% (to be voted on at town meeting).
17. The Board decided to develop a process to advertise more widely the land that is enrolled in Open Space with public access. They will begin by sending a letter to those property owners, asking them to explicate the conditions of the access to the public (hours, hunting or motorized vehicles allowed).
18. Meeting ended at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – January 17, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), John York (fire chief), GW Martin, Peter Maruhnic

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 1-10-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #3 for \$6,730.59 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Properties. The Selectmen will each get in touch personally with one or two of the foreclosed property owners, urging them to pay their 2009 taxes and informing them that they will start the process of putting the properties out to bid in mid-February.
5. Thompson's Oil is coming tomorrow to look at the grange and give us prices on repairing or replacing the heating system. We will also ask Maritime Energy for prices.
6. The Board opened three bids for the 1943 fire truck and accepted the highest bid of \$6,200 from Glenn Dyck of Belgium.
7. Local Food Ordinance. GW reported that the outcome of last week's meeting on the ordinance was to develop a non-binding resolution. He asked and was granted permission to use the town house again this Friday for a meeting to work on the resolution.
8. Meeting ended at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – January 24, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Peter Maruhnic, Michael Fuller, Sherry Fuller, Hannah Hatfield, Mary Thompson

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 1-17-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #4 for \$67,353.30 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Properties. One of the four landowners whose properties automatically foreclosed for nonpayment of 2009 property taxes paid \$600 this week. The total due from the four property owners is a little over \$1,000.
5. The Board was informed that Betsy Libby resigned as deputy animal control officer. They appointed Glenn Visser to serve as deputy ACO until April 1, 2012.
6. Michael Fuller asked if an article can be included on the town meeting warrant to allow ATV access routes on the shoulders of town roads at 15 MPH. The Board asked him to draft the warrant article.
7. Glen reported that the tipping fees at Penobscot Energy Recovery Company (PERC) are expected to increase dramatically in the next few years.
8. The Board accepted the Montville Local Food Security Resolution to be included on the 2012 town meeting warrant. It will also be part of the public hearing on February 7.
9. Steve Lucas will write up an estimate of the cost to replace the five guardrails that were damaged in an accident on the Halldale Road so that the town can bill the driver's insurance company for them.
10. We received a letter from PERC stating that Montville's Guaranteed Annual Tonnage (GAT) was reduced from 160 to 140 tons/year as a result of the GAT trade we applied for.
11. Meeting ended at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – January 31, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Ana Antaki, Roy Antaki

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 1-24-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #5 for \$13,175.49 was accepted and signed.
4. At the request of Ana Antaki, the Board accepted a Corporate Personhood Resolution, "Town of Montville, Waldo County, State of Maine Resolution Opposing the US Supreme Court's Interpretation of the Constitution in Citizens United vs. Federal Elections Commission (FEC)" on the warrant for consideration for adoption at town meeting.
5. Next week's public hearing on the three ordinances and two resolutions will be held in the town office meeting room.
6. Tax-Acquired Properties. Nothing new.
7. The Board discussed the 2012 roads budget. Road Commissioner Steve Lucas had identified the three priority summer roads projects as repair of the Kingdom Bridge, paving the rest of the Morse Road, and surface paving the section of the Morrill Road that was paved two years ago.
8. There will be an Open House at the new Public Safety Building in Belfast on Feb. 10 from 10 AM-noon. The public is invited.
9. We found out that only municipal officers (and not the town meeting) may designate ATV access routes on town roads. The Board decided to include a warrant article that would allow a discussion of the issue in order to get a sense of the town with respect to ATV access routes on town ways.
10. Meeting ended at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – February 7, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), John York, Peter Maruhnic, Carolyn Maruhnic, Roy Antaki, Ana Antaki, Tom Carter, Glenn Visser, Lance Philbrook, Doreen Butteri, Jeff McKeen, Michael Fuller, Sherry Fuller, Bo Atkinson, Susan Jones, Judd Jones, Bernice Nadler, Diana Chapin, Sandy George, John Billings, Leslie Woods, Charles Fletcher, Bridget McKeen, G.W. Martin, Moe Martin, Neal Foley

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 1-31-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #6 for \$35,950.68 was accepted and signed. Jay reviewed the monthly bank account statements.
4. Public Hearing: Twenty-five residents attended the hearing to discuss and ask questions about the five ordinances and resolutions that will be considered at town meeting: Dog Control Ordinance, Town House Traditional Use Ordinance, Local Food and Community

Self-Governance Ordinance, Local Food Security Resolution, and Corporate Personhood Resolution.

5. ATV Access Routes. Michael Fuller, Sherry Fuller, Doreen Butteri, and Lance Philbrook spoke in favor of opening up Montville town roads to ATV use with a 15-MPH speed limit. The issue will be discussed at town meeting in order to give the Selectmen a sense of how residents feel about the issue and a decision will be made at a later meeting. It was suggested that, if approved, ATV access routes on town roads be given a one-year trial period.
6. Tax-Acquired Properties. One person paid off her 2009 taxes this week. There are three outstanding foreclosures.
7. Roads Budget and Plowing Contract. The Board asked Susan to research how much neighboring towns pay their snow removal contractors.
8. Grange Furnace: We have a price from Thompson's to repair the furnace and move the oil tank outdoors. We will also get a price for what it would take to leave the oil tank indoors (taking it off of wooden floor, adding vent and delivery pipes).
9. The Assessors discussed the Camp NEOFA property tax exemption application. Jay will take the questions we have to the next Mid-Coast Assessors meeting.
10. The Board signed the MMA Workers' Compensation Fund Indemnity Agreement, stating that the town voted on 3-26-88 to join the workers comp fund.
11. The Board granted permission for the Montville Democratic Caucus to meet in the town office meeting room on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 6:30 PM.
12. The Board will solicit bids for exterior and interior painting work that needs to be done on the town house this year. Remaining funds that were raised to work on the building during the bicentennial in 2007 will be used.
13. Meeting ended at 8:50.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – February 14, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Mary Thompson (tax collector/treasurer), John York (fire chief), Peter Maruhnic, Bob Price, Diana Chapin, Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 2-7-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #7 for \$5,782.92 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Properties. One more person paid off his back 2009 taxes this week. The Board signed two quit-claim deeds, transferring the tax-acquired property back to the previous property owners. There are still two outstanding foreclosures.
5. Grange Furnace: The Board decided to repair the furnace and move the existing oil tank outdoors. The price to leave the oil tank indoors (taking it off of wooden floor, adding vent and delivery pipes) would be prohibitive because state law requires the tank to be attached to the ground, necessitating building a cement slab on which the tank would set.
6. At the request of Bob Price, the Board agreed to include the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Ordinance on the town meeting warrant.
7. Town House Painting: The Board decided to put out to bid only the exterior painting and hire someone to do the little odds and ends inside the building.

8. The person who won the bid to purchase the old 1943 fire truck informed us this week that he is no longer able to buy it. The Board, with the input of John York, decided to put the truck back out to bid, with a due date of April 10.
9. Herman discovered that a bill to Industrial Protection Services for \$573.40 was inadvertently paid twice in July. Because the charge is an annual one for a flow test for the fire department, the board decided to leave the credit with the company and apply it towards this year's bill.
10. The Board reviewed the proposed 2012 budget.
11. The Board decided to include in the warrant an article that would allow the proceeds of the sale of the old fire truck to go into the VFD reserve account.
12. The Board set the transfer station hours for the weekend of town meeting to be on Sunday, April 1 from 8-4. The transfer station will be closed on March 31.
13. At the suggestion of Mary Thompson, the Board decided to propose to the town meeting to set the interest rate for overpayment of taxes to 1% (reconsidering its decision of January 10, 2012 at which the rate was set at 2%). Mary pointed out that the town receives only 0.25% interest on its savings accounts.
14. Diana Chapin asked to use the Town House on January 28, 2012 for a community discussion group and asked that the fee be waived. The Board voted 2-1 to accept her application and waive the fee. Widmer voted against because the fee waiver is for town business meetings. As this is not an advertised public meeting, Glen did not think the fee should be waived.
15. Meeting ended at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – February 21, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Cathy Roberts, Peter Maruhnic

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 2-14-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #8 for \$61,508.86 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Properties. There are two outstanding foreclosures. No news since last week.
5. The Board will meet in April with the three snow removal contractors to discuss the next contract.
6. The Board reviewed the warrant. They will sign it next week.
7. Jay will research options for repairing the packer truck and will report back next week in order to finalize the budget.
8. The Board will hold a public hearing on the PACE ordinance on Feb. 28 at 7:00 p.m.
9. We have received a complaint about the condition of the Goosepecker Ridge Road. The road commissioner is aware of the problem and has repaired it.
10. At a meeting of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission held on February 10, 2012, the Montville Town House was approved for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.
11. Meeting ended at 8:05.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – February 28, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Bob Price, Linda Dartt, Cathy Roberts, Peter Maruhnic

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 2-21-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #9 for \$6,196.27 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Properties. One foreclosure was paid off and the Board signed a quit-claim deed transferring the property back to the original owner. There is now one outstanding tax-acquired property.
5. The Assessors agreed to change the acreage of Lot 4/30 from 20 to 10 based on an aerial map and agreement on the property lines of both the owner and the abutter.
6. The Board held a public hearing on the PACE Ordinance. Bob Price reported that he researched the PACE program and found out that the town would have no obligation or liability. If we pass the ordinance, it will be considered the town's PACE program, but Efficiency Maine will be administering it on behalf of the town. The only interaction the town will have with the state is that the underwriters will call to see if an applicant is current on his/her property taxes. Also, they may ask that we include a PACE brochure (printed by the state) in our annual tax bill mailing. Questions arose about the contract the town is required to sign with Efficiency Maine, which the Board asked Susan to research.
7. The Board granted Tom Carter's request to withdraw the Dog Control Ordinance from consideration at this year's town meeting.
8. The Board reviewed and signed the 2012 town meeting warrant.
9. The Board signed the Recycler License Zoning Renewal Request form Dave's World.
10. Meeting ended at 9:05.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – March 6, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Cathy Roberts, Debi Stephens, Leslie Woods

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 2-28-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #10 for \$45,196.59 was accepted and signed.
4. Use of Town Buildings. The Select Board and the residents who attended the meeting had a lively discussion about the appropriate use of town buildings for non-town functions. Because of the recent increased interest in using the town house, the Board this week researched the role and responsibilities of municipal officers regarding town-owned buildings. They learned the following from MMA:
 - a. Select Boards do not have permission to allow use of town buildings without town meeting approval. The 1986 town meeting gave permission to the Select Board to allow and set terms of use for the grange, but the same authority has not been given for the town house.

- b. The Board should charge a fee for use of the building (if authorized by voters) to cover the town's expenses (such as lights and heat); otherwise there may be a problem with the "public purpose doctrine."
- c. Our insurance carrier (MMA Risk Management) strongly recommends that the town require any group who uses a town building to carry liability insurance and name the town as "additionally insured."

The Board is planning to have a public hearing this spring on the non-town use of town-owned buildings to gather a sense from residents of how they would like to see each town-owned building used.

5. The Board received a request to use the town house for the next two Tuesdays. Because they do not have the authority to allow use of the town house, they declined the request (Glen and Herman opposed/Jay in favor).
6. The Board affirmed a previous request to use the grange this Friday.
7. In response to a request by the Select Board to remedy the insufficiently buried cable on the North Ridge Road, Fairpoint has strung the telephone wires on poles above ground.
8. Tax-Acquired Properties. Nothing new.
9. Jay consulted with the Midcoast Assessors at their monthly meeting about the Camp NEOFA Tax Exemption Application. They agreed that the camp qualifies as exempt, citing the court case *Episcopal Camp Foundation, Inc v. Town of Hope* as very similar to this case. The Assessors approved tax exemption for the two parcels on which the buildings and main part of the camp are located. The large land parcel and the half-acre piece on which the Trues Pond dam sits do not qualify for exemption.
10. The Board approved the PACE contract that will be included in the town book and voted on at town meeting.
11. Jay signed a CMP Location Permit for a pole for a new house on the Peavey Town Road.
12. The Board discussed transfer station wages, which increased from 2010 to 2011.
13. The Board approved animal control training for the animal control officer and the deputy ACO.
14. Jay signed the auditor's management representation letter.
15. The assessors approved a farmland application.
16. The Board approved the DOT municipal project request form, which Susan had filled out in consultation with Road Commissioner Steve Lucas.
17. Meeting ended at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – March 13, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Heather Perry (superintendent of RSU 3), Chris LeGore (school board director), Sharon Hibbard, Linda Dartt, Cathy Roberts

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 3-6-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #11 for \$11,635.44 was accepted and signed.
4. School Superintendent Heather Perry updated the board on some things that are happening in RSU 3. The school board recently voted to reinstate a single-bus run for next year. The school district will suffer a loss of \$750,000 in combined federal and state subsidies next year. Despite some cost-cutting measures, such as the single-bus run and staff cuts, there

will be an added burden on property taxpayers. Because Montville is one of two towns in the district whose state-determined property valuation decreased, our cost sharing will decrease and we should be affected less severely than the other nine towns. The School Board will vote on next year's budget on April 9. In May there will be a district budget meeting at which the public has the opportunity to amend the budget. It will then be voted on at the polls in June.

5. Montville school director Chris LeGore described the school district's move to a proficiency-based model of education. The public is encouraged to attend public forums on the new educational system that will be held at Walker School on Tuesday, April 10 and at Mount View Elementary School on April 12. Both meetings will begin at 6:30 and end at 8:00. Child care will be provided.
6. Tax-Acquired Properties. Nothing new.
7. The Board signed a farmland acceptance letter and a farmland reminder letter.
8. The board continued to discuss transfer station hours.
9. The board talked with Tax Collector Mary Thompson about what to do about delinquent personal property taxpayers.
10. Road Commissioner Steve Lucas and crew have been repairing lots of muddy roads as the frost goes out. They are addressing the impassable areas first. They added gravel to stretches of the following roads: North Ridge, Goosepecker Ridge, Halldale, Choate, and Bean.
11. The Selectmen decided to hire Sean Anderson to mow the town buildings' lawns as well as Mount Repose and Greenwood Cemeteries. Sean has been mowing for the town for several summers. He does an excellent job at a very reasonable price.
12. Meeting ended at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – March 20, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Linda Dartt, Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Ana Antaki, Roy Antaki, Mary Thompson (tax collector/treasurer)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 3-13-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #12 for \$64,734.26 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Property. There is one remaining. Nothing new about it.
5. Roads: The recent record-high temperatures have made the frost come out of the ground rapidly instead of the usual gradual release, causing bad mud condition. Steve Lucas and the Board discussed the long list of roads that have excessive mud and potholes. Steve and his crew continue to work on repairing the worst spots.
6. Transfer Station Wages: The transfer wages increased from 2010 to 2011. Glen will speak with Brad and Bob this week to get their input about how to split up their hours in order to best staff the transfer station.
7. Sticker Sales v. MSW: At the request of the board, Susan prepared a spreadsheet showing sticker sales and tons of municipal solid waste produced for each of the last seven years.
8. Ana Antaki pointed out that the name of the "Resolution Opposing the US Supreme Court's Interpretation of the Constitution in Citizens United vs. Federal Election Commission (FEC)" that we will be voting on at town meeting was represented as the "Corporate Personhood

Resolution” in article #11 of the warrant. Ana expressed concern that the difference in titles will cause confusion. It was pointed out that the phrase “Corporate Personhood” is used several times in the resolution. Also, the Table of Contents in the annual report lists “Corporate Personhood Resolution” and leads to the correct resolution. Both of these facts should ameliorate confusion.

9. The Board received another request to use the town house on Sunday, March 25 and the grange on March 27 from Diana Chapin, as well as to waive the fee. They confirmed their decision of two weeks ago to decline the request to use the town house because they have not been given the authority to allow its use. They did approve use of the grange on March 25. Because Diana’s event is “town residents conducting a town-based event,” there is no charge, as is the policy for the grange. The Board will ask Diana to fill out and submit an application to use the grange. They will also offer her use of the grange for her event on March 27.
10. The town received a notice from the Maine Department of Conservation informing us that they are reviewing a Submerged Land Application from Hidden Valley Camp regarding their docks, floats, and swimming area. They welcome comments on possible impacts to the public by March 29, 2012. The notice has been posted in the town office.
11. Jay signed a mowing agreement with Sean P. Anderson on behalf of the town. Sean will mow the four town buildings from May-September for \$1,000 as well as Mount Repose and Greenwood Cemeteries for the same five months for \$2,750 and \$750, respectively.
12. The Board approved the use of residents’ email addresses to Mary Thompson for treasurer/tax collector business only.
13. We continue to look for the agreement between the town and Fairpoint (Northland) Telephone Company that was made in late 2001 or 2002 for use of the space at the Town House for a telephone box. One representative of Fairpoint remembers that the town was to be paid \$100/year. Mary will check old records to see if we ever received anything from Fairpoint. Susan will continue to look for the agreement here and ask Fairpoint people to look for the agreement there.
14. The Board was informed of two upcoming meetings of the Waldo County Municipal Association: about the county possibility getting into the animal control business on March 28 and school budget on April 5. The Board will ask Animal Control Officer to attend the meeting on the 28th.
15. Mary Thompson informed the board that most towns use collection agencies or small claims court to try to collect delinquent personal property taxes. Mary said she will develop a policy of notification and collection to mirror the timing of liens and foreclosures on delinquent real estate taxes.
16. Meeting ended at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – March 27, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Glen Widmer (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Bob Demers, Cathy Roberts

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 3-20-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer’s Warrant #13 for \$9,691.83 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Property. There is one remaining.

5. The roads are better this week. The Board discussed with Road Commissioner Steve Lucas the costs of this summer's two planned paving projects: the second half of the Morse Road and surface paving on the southernmost half-mile of the Morrill Road. The price of asphalt has increased tremendously since last summer. The Board discussed the possibility of but decided against raising more money for the summer roads account at town meeting on Saturday.
6. Glen reported that he spoke with Bob and Brad at the transfer station about their hours. Brad will work from 8-4 and Bob will work 10-4 on Saturdays. If Brad is gone, Bob will work eight hours and the sub will work 10-4.
7. The Board discussed possible alternatives to the packer truck at the transfer station. The truck's condition is deteriorating. Jay researched the town's actual costs of running the packer truck at \$7,256/year and estimated the annual costs of renting dumpsters and paying to have them emptied weekly (\$6,300) as well as owning dumpsters and paying to have them emptied (\$2,700). The Selectmen will ask townspeople for their opinions on Saturday at town meeting.
8. We received the Workers Comp payroll audit for 2011. The amended bill increases the amount we owe for 2011 by \$686. The Board questions the way the audit was conducted and will ask MMA about it.
9. Jay signed the annual insurance application.
10. The Board approved use of the grange for a birthday party on Sunday for the usual fee of \$35.
11. We received word that the state has approved the request we made in August 2010 to lower the speed limit on the Choate, Hidden Valley, and Spring Hill Roads to 25 MPH.
12. We bid Glen a fond (and sad) farewell and wished him luck in his future endeavors.
13. Meeting ended at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – April 3, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Roy Antaki, Diana George Chapin, Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00.
2. Acceptance of agenda and 3-27-12 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #14 for \$9,574.80 was accepted and signed.
4. Tax-Acquired Property. Since we are now past April 1, the town holds the 2012 tax liability for the one remaining tax-acquired property. The Board decided to require that, in addition to the 2009 taxes, fees, and interest, the previous owner will pay \$275 to redeem her property. Because the 2012 mil rate will not be set until July, this is only an estimate of what the taxes will be on the property. If it turns out that the tax liability is less than \$275, the balance will be applied to the previous owner's 2010 taxes.
5. Diana George Chapin and Sandy George came in to complain about the condition of the southern end of the North Ridge Road. They also thanked Steve Lucas for grading the road today.
6. Packer Truck: The Board continued its discussion of repairing the packer truck vs. renting or buying dumpsters for disposal of household trash at the transfer station. Herman suggests it should be a town meeting decision. Others thought that isn't necessary because the decision

doesn't involve appropriating money and because it wouldn't change the process for residents; they would still take their trash to the transfer station for disposal. We have heard concerns about dumpsters being used during off-hours and will look into the possibility of locking them. Jay suggested we could try a three-month trial period. Jay will go to Union to see how much it would cost to have a 10-yard dumpster made.

7. The Board signed the following appointments and set compensation for same:
 - Road Commissioner: Steve Lucas (\$8,000)
 - Fire Chief: John York (\$4,000)
 - Emergency Management Director: John York (\$1,000)
 - Code Enforcement Officer: Bob Temple (\$3,000)
 - Licensed Plumbing Inspector: Bob Temple (\$500 plus fees)
 - Animal Control Officer: Carol Visser (\$1,000)
 - Deputy Animal Control Officer: Glenn Visser (\$12.04/hour)
 - Local Health Officer: Jennifer Gunderman-King
 - General Assistance Administrator: Susan ShellAll appointments are for one year, except for local health officer, which is for three years.
8. The Board reappointed Tom Donahue for Board of Appeals member and Jeff McKeen for Board of Appeals alternate member. Both appointments are for three years.
9. At the request of Abbie Hills, the Board appointed the following people to serve as election officials:
 - Republican Ballot Clerks: Diana Chapin, Kathy Foley, Nancy Luczai, Daniel Masessa, Kristy Palmer
 - Democrat Ballot Clerks: Doris Palmer, Patricia Crawford
 - Green Ballot Clerk: Hannah Hatfield
 - Unenrolled Ballot Clerk: Barbara Boulay
 - Elections Warden: Mary Thompson
10. Herman asked that Steve Lucas and John York (as emergency management director) keep in mind that we need firewood for the town house as they cut trees in town.
11. The holding tank at the town house needs to be pumped out. Susan will get prices from septic companies who do this.
12. Jay signed the Property Assessed Clean Energy contract that was approved at town meeting. A copy will be mailed to Maine Efficiency Trust, which administers the program.
13. The Board discussed division of duties with newly elected 2nd Selectperson Cathy Roberts. Cathy will take on some of Glen Widmer's previous responsibilities, such as 911 Addressing Officer, liaison to transfer station, and cemetery mowing supervisor. Cathy will visit the transfer station this week to become acquainted with the transfer station workers and routine. With the help of Glen, she will also assign a new 911 number that is needed. Herman will take on the role of animal control liaison. We will ask Bob Demers to take the trash and recycling from the town office to the transfer station, a task that Glen used to do.
14. The Board will hold a public forum on the use of town buildings in August or September. We will send a notice of the meeting in the tax bills that are mailed in July, in order to try to reach as many people as possible.
15. The Board will hold a public forum on ATV-access routes on Tuesday, May 8 at 7:00 p.m. at the town office.
16. The assessors will start assessing visits soon. They will schedule their first trip next week.
17. Susan will draft letters to personal property owners for the board's approval next week.
18. Meeting ended at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – April 10, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and April 3, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #15 for \$41,376.79 was accepted and signed.
4. Open to Public: Sandy George requested job descriptions for all town employees and asked about the use of five town-owned buildings. Cathy requested that Jay ask MMA for a definition on private use for buildings.
5. Nothing new on roads. Commissioner is out of town.
6. Jay went to TriCounty Transfer in Union to see dumpsters made by Clark. He will ask Sullivan's if we can look at a dumpster that we might lease for the transfer station. We need more information from other sources before making a determination.
7. Fire truck bids. We received two, one for \$2,000 and one for \$2,701.99. The board declined both and will try other sources. Jay will list the truck on Craig's List, E-bay and Uncle Henry's.
8. Jay will buy a new lawnmower for cemetery use.
9. The assessors will begin their assessing visits this Friday morning.
10. Meeting ended at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Herman Peaslee, 3rd Selectman

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – April 17, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Carol Visser (animal control officer), Glenn Visser (deputy animal control officer), Diana George Chapin

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and April 10, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #16 for \$6,558.65 was accepted and signed. Jay reviewed the monthly bank account statements.
4. Carol Visser came in to discuss a number of animal control issues. A) She asked to have a page on the town's website on which to post information about animal issues, such as rabies. She and Jay will work together to create the page. B) She asked to get the town's dog license data in a more usable format. Jay will work on Abbie's computer program. C) Carol informed that a new state law requires towns to pay for the veterinarian bill of an injured or sick stray animal. D) She discussed the problem of stray cats, which will be bigger than usual this year because of the mild winter (more litters of kittens). Carol said the best way to combat the problem of stray cat colonies is a "trap, neuter, and release" approach. Because the town does not have the resources to neuter a lot of stray cats, Carol would like to create a community group that would respond to the problem. She asked if there would be any seed money available for neutering. Herman suggested that a potential community group request a donation at next year's town meeting.
5. Diana Chapin requested that an email she drafted regarding use of town buildings be forwarded to MMA Legal Services on her behalf. The Board agreed; Jay will send.

6. Jay listed the 1943 fire truck on Craig's List, Uncle Henry's, and E-bay.
7. Household solid waste: the Board is leaning towards having a special town meeting to discuss moving from using the packer truck to using dumpsters at the transfer station.
8. After protesting with MMA Risk Management their workers' comp audit for 2011, the Board decided to go ahead and pay the bill.
9. The Board appointed Cathy Roberts to be the E-911 Addressing Officer.
10. The assessors began their assessing visits last Friday and will continue this Friday.
11. The Board will ask Moore's to pump out the holding tank at the Town House.
12. Jay asked Bob Price to give us a price to cover the pink insulation on the town office.
13. The Board discussed assessing issues.
14. Meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – April 24, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Mary Thompson (treasurer), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Jack Martin, Jonathan Thornhill, Diana George Chapin, Sandy George, Linda Dartt

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and April 17, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #17 for \$2,060.85 was accepted and signed.
4. Use of Town Buildings. Diana George Chapin submitted a request to use the Town House or the Grange on the fourth Thursday of each month from May through October. The Board does not have the authority to allow non-town use of the town house. Herman brought up the fact that the 1986 Montville town meeting voted to charge \$50 for private use of the grange, with half refundable if the building is left clean and orderly. Jay moved to allow the group to use the grange using the current fee schedule of \$5/hour, then withdrew his motion for lack of a second. Herman then moved to allow use of the grange with no fee based on the 1986 town meeting decision, which was to charge a fee only if the event is private. Herman stated that the meeting must be advertised in order to be a public meeting. This motion passed unanimously. The Board also decided to allow Occupy Waldo County to use the grange without a fee for a May 20th meeting that is open to the public.
5. Snow Removal Contracts. Jonathan voiced complaints about the condition of the roads he plows, stating that there is a lot of brush that needs to be cut and large rocks that need to be removed. He said that the condition of the roads affects his ability to plow the road effectively. Jonathan also suggested stipulating start and end dates for snow removal. But Steve and Jack agreed that, while that would be convenient for them, it is not realistic. The contractors will come up with a proposal and present it to the board on May 15.
6. The Board decided to bid on 225 tons of winter salt for the 2012-13 season.
7. Transfer Station Issues. Susan will revise job descriptions, adding the recent decision of the Board that the attendant works eight hours on Saturdays and the assistant attendant works six. When the attendant is gone for a day, the assistant attendant will work eight, if desired, and the sub will work six. Cathy will speak with Glen Widmer and Brad Peters to find out how scrap metal has been handled so that the Board can clarify the scrap metal policy.
8. The Board accepted a quote of \$585.00 from R.H. Price to cover the foam insulation on the perimeter of the Town Office.

9. The Board signed a pole permit to allow CMP to replace 13 utility poles on the Hidden Valley Road.
10. Jay signed a Safety Enhancement Grant application for a matching grant for which the fire department is applying to purchase five escape harnesses. The total amount of the purchase is \$2,037.50. If the grant is approved the town will be reimbursed 2/3 of the cost.
11. Meeting ended at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – May 1, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and April 24, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #18 for \$18,734.57 was accepted and signed.
4. Packer Truck Issues: tabled until Cathy is back
5. Transfer Station Issues and Job Description: tabled until Cathy is back
6. Jay signed the contract with R.H. Price for the quote that was approved last week.
7. Jay and Herman entered assessing data into the computer following assessing visits.
8. Meeting ended at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – May 8, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George, Diana George Chapin, and 36 others for ATV Access Route Forum.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and May 1, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #19 for \$11,463.48 was accepted and signed.
4. Public Forum on ATV Access Routes. About thirty-six people attended the forum. Some people expressed support for opening up all town roads to ATV use, in part to be able to get from home to another local destination, such as a nearby family member's house. Others expressed support for establishing an access route to Frye Mountain. And others expressed skepticism about the impact of ATVs on town roads. Information was offered and questions answered by the heads of two nearby ATV clubs, Friends and Neighbors, and the Mid-Coast ATV Club, as well as by Chris Dyer, a game warden who is also a Montville resident. Jay and Cathy expressed a disinclination to open all town roads to ATV use and asked the Montville people who are interested to come back with a proposal of a particular route. They suggested working with the two existing clubs.
5. Fairpoint terminal at town house: We found out this week that the agreement between the town and Northland (now Fairpoint) that was reached in late 2001 or early 2002 to house a terminal at the town house included an annual fee of \$100. The Board will send a bill to Fairpoint for the years 2002-12.
6. Packer Truck Issues: the board again discussed the possibility of having a three-month trial of dumpsters. Herman wants voter approval to switch systems and he questions whether there is money in those accounts. Should we spend \$1,500 to fix the packer part of the truck? Jay

thinks the only part of the truck that has value is the non-packer part. The Board discussed whether to have a special town meeting to deal with the packer/dumpster issue and use of town buildings. They will discuss it in more detail next week.

7. Transfer Station Issues and Job Description: tabled
8. The Board signed the school budget referendum warrant.
9. School payments. Superintendent Heather Perry informed the Board this week that in another year or two, RSU 3 will not be able to continue the current practice of allowing towns to pay their last couple of months of school bills late, waiting until property taxes come in. The school district is experiencing shrinking fund balances that are constricting their cash balances. Montville will need to pay our May and June school bills on time. This could mean borrowing money or raising taxes to increase the undesignated fund (??). Jay suggested finding ways to help residents pay their taxes more quickly. We could easily cover the May and June school bills with the outstanding 2011 property taxes.
10. The Board decided to apply for a decreased GAT (guaranteed annual tonnage) at PERC of 120 tons (our current GAT is 140).
11. We reserved containers for roll-off, which will be held Saturday and Sunday, July 14 and 15 from 8-4.
12. We received a phone call from Debi Stephens asking if the fence at Mount Repose Cemetery can be repaired. Jay reported that he spoken with Mark Guido about repairing it. Mark has volunteered to help the town.
13. Meeting ended at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – May 15, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Mary Thompson (treasurer/tax collector), Abbie Hills (town clerk), Jack Martin, Jonathan Thornhill, Sandy George.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and May 8, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #20 for \$7,124.04 was accepted and signed. Jay reviewed the monthly bank account statements. The Board asked Mary to put May's school payment on next week's warrant.
4. Abbie asked to use the grange for two separate groups, 4-H and a local farming group, and asked whether there would be a fee. The Board clarified that they need to go by the 3-28-87 town meeting decision that set a fee of "\$50 donation per private function, half of which is refundable if the hall is left clean and orderly." Therefore, there will be no charge for public meetings. The Board emphasized that the meetings need to be advertised in order to be considered open to the public. Abbie was told that the 4-H group can use the building with no fee. The farming group can use it for meetings that are open to the public, but private meetings will need to pay the \$25 fee.
5. Jonathan Thornhill, Jack Martin, and Steve Lucas discussed the next snow removal contract with the Board. The contractors would like an increase from \$3,300/mile to \$3,700/mile. Herman stated that in order to be responsible to townspeople, the contract should go out to bid before granting such a large increase in price. The contractors asked the Board for a counter offer. The Board asked Susan to research particulars about other towns' contract prices for snow removal. The contractors will come back again on May 29.

6. Transfer Station Issues. We will post a notice to remind people that we accept scrap metal only from May 1 to roll-off day (2nd weekend in July). The Board agreed that the transfer station attendants can keep scrap metal that comes in before or after that period. The Board also agreed that the attendants may keep and split any proceeds from returnables. Cathy will talk to them about these two issues.
7. Cathy will review both proposed transfer station job descriptions and recommend which one we adopt.
8. We received a letter this week informing us that the Montville Town House was entered in the National Register of Historic Places on April 24, 2012 by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. We will receive a certificate signifying this recognition.
9. The Board set a possible date of Monday, July 23 for a special town meeting to take up the questions of non-town use of town buildings and changing from the packer truck to dumpsters at the transfer station. Jay will draft the articles.
10. The Board approved the specifications for the exterior town house painting job that will be done this summer. Susan will send the specifications to local painters and place an ad in the paper. The bids are due June 12 and the work must be completed by September 30.
11. Meeting ended at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – May 22, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Diana Chapin, Sandy George.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and May 15, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #21 for \$60,051.83 was accepted and signed.
4. Cathy reported on her meeting with transfer station attendants Brad Peters and Bob Demers. The Board agreed to continue the policy that Glen had established with the attendants whereby they may split the proceeds from returnables and from scrap metal that is dropped off before May 1 and after July 15. Cathy also discussed with the attendants their hours.
5. It was reported to us recently that the foundation of the Town House looks as if it may have shifted. Jay will climb under the building to check the foundation, especially under the heavy old safe in the prior Selectmen's office.
6. Developing job descriptions. Jay will draft a job description for the administrative assistant. Susan will draft job descriptions for the animal control officer, local health officer, code enforcement officer, and fire chief.
7. Jay drafted warrant articles for the Special Town Meeting, tentatively scheduled for July 23. Cathy and Herman will review and the Board will discuss the draft articles next week.
8. The Board reviewed its ongoing task list a little, but decided to put off major projects until assessing is done.
9. Meeting ended at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – May 29, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Debbi Lasky, Vicki McDaniel, Karie Friedman, Irene Mehuren, Diana Chapin,

Sandy George, Barbara Boulay, Barbara Lucas, Debi Stephens, Karen York, John Boulay, Mary Thompson, John Bednarik

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and May 22, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #22 for \$3,211.04 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board received a letter from the Historical Society supporting its use of the Kingdom Schoolhouse. Members of the Historical Society came in to express their desire not to have the building included with the other town buildings in a town meeting warrant article to allow use by private groups. At the 2008 town meeting, the town voted to approve the use of the Kingdom Schoolhouse to house the Montville Historical Society's collection. Debbi Lasky pointed out that residents have donated items to the Society, trusting them to care for them, and that opening up the building to private groups may put these items at risk.
5. Discussed posting minutes, upcoming agenda, and announcements on town website. Suggestion from Karen York to email agenda to people on email list. People expressed interest in using an updated website.
6. The upkeep of cemeteries was brought up by John Boulay, who commented on the lack of ongoing maintenance from the town. Jay asked him to look at companies that have experience repairing historical cemeteries. Discussion also around the Historical Society becoming involved. Possible grant? Return to issue at later date.
7. Karen York announced that Field Day will be August 11. The deadline for t-shirt design submissions is June 1.
8. The Transfer Station Attendant job description was approved.
9. A public meeting to discuss writing warrant articles for use of town-owned buildings was set for Tuesday, June 19th. Diana Chapin submitted two draft articles to the Board for their consideration.
10. Herman and Diana Chapin discussed the use of the Montville Town House.
11. A discussion to educate residents on greenhouse assessing practices was tentatively scheduled for June 5 or June 12.
12. Foundation of the Town House: not checked yet
13. Meeting ended at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jay LeGore and Cathy Roberts, 1st and 2nd Selectpeople

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – June 5, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Peter Maruhnic, Richard Storey, Diana Chapin, Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and May 29, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #23 for \$14,123.68 was accepted and signed.
4. Open to the Public: Peter Maruhnic asked the board to write a letter to the Searsport Planning Board expressing concern about the safety implications to the town of Montville of the proposed LPG tank and terminal at Mack Point, as well as to establish standing. Peter submitted a proposed draft letter. Jay will write an email to MMA to clarify the procedure for towns to establish standing and to ascertain whether the Select Board has the authority to write such a letter on behalf of the town.

5. The board finalized the date for a special town meeting on Monday, July 23, 2012 to decide about non-town use of town-owned buildings and consider changing the system for household waste at the transfer station from a packer truck to dumpsters.
6. We received a contract from Thompson's for fuel oil pre-buy for 2012-13. We will monitor the prices over the coming weeks.
7. Cathy and Jay signed a statement to the County Commissioners expressing a lack of support for the idea of the county, rather than the towns, providing animal control services to the towns of Waldo County.
8. The board considered the possibility of buying a locking, waterproof mailbox to protect against the potential of wet and stolen mail. They decided not to act at this point. Jay offered to add screening to the bottom of the box to help keep mail dry.
9. The board received an email from John Boulay with the name of a company that, for a fee of \$50, will advise the town on what is involved with the process of restoring and fixing the stones in town cemeteries. The company also offers workshops for local volunteers to learn how to assess gravestones, and clean and reset them in a historically correct manner. The board believes that even if we were to pay for a \$50 assessment, it is unlikely the town would approve spending the money that would be necessary to repair and restore the stones in Montville's cemeteries. Instead, the Board will ask John to look into the possibility and cost of a workshop for volunteers.
10. Meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting – June 12, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Karin Look, George Look, Linda Storey, Richard Storey, Diana Chapin, Sandy George, Lance Philbrook, Ana Antaki, Leslie Woods, Denise Miner, Rick Sawyer, Jack Martin, Jonathan Thornhill

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and June 5, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #24 for \$1,363.12 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board discussed whether to write a letter to the Searsport Planning Board expressing concern about the safety implications to the town of Montville of the proposed LPG tank and terminal at Mack Point. We found out from MMA that the Select Board has the authority to write such a letter on behalf of the town. Herman stated that the Board shouldn't take a stand about the project itself, but should address safety and financial concerns relevant to the town. The deadline for submitting letters to the Searsport Planning Board has been extended, so the item was tabled until next week.
5. Roll-off work schedule: Bob and Brad asked for an extra person to help on Saturday and/or Sunday. Usually we have four people working each day. Jay offered to help on Saturday morning and the board decided to keep the crew to four people.
6. A resident whose house is far from the road asked if the town would buy a post with her house number on it. The board decided not to buy a post for the resident, in keeping with past town practice.
7. The Board signed a pole permit for a new residence on the Choate Road.

8. Jay received a phone call from a man in Western Maine who restores old equipment and is interested in the town's old snow plow. The Board decided to draft a warrant article for the special town meeting to decide whether the town wants to sell the plow.
9. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the MMA Model Ordinance General Assistance Appendices A, B, and C for the period 7/1/12-6/30/13.
10. The Board decided to have its meeting at the town house next week to accommodate the people who may attend the forum on drafting warrant articles for the special town meeting on July 23.
11. The Board accepted the price of \$57.21/ton from Harcros for winter salt through the state bidding process.
12. The Board and the three snow removal contractors discussed next winter's snow removal contract. They agreed on a one-year contract for \$3,400/mile with a fuel clause which will stipulate that the contractors will be reimbursed for fuel by adding a certain amount per mile for each month that diesel goes above \$4.00/gallon at Hilltop Store on the 1st of the month. Jay asked the contractors to look up how many gallons of fuel they use each year in order to establish a reimbursement schedule.
13. Assessing greenhouses. Jay explained that the property tax is a state tax, not a town tax. The assessors act as agents of the state. The law requires that assessed value reflects market value. Herman explained that the assessors realized a couple of years ago that some, but not all, greenhouses in town were assessed for property taxes. They started to remedy the disparity by assessing more greenhouses last year and continuing this year. Rick Sawyer stated that greenhouses are a temporary structure, not a building, and thus should not be assessed a property tax. Sandy George and Denise Miner stated that people sometimes take their greenhouses with them when they leave a property. Cathy said that she called Maine Revenue Services as well as a realtor, both of whom said that greenhouses add value to the property. Sandy George said that she thinks that greenhouses should be taxed as personal property, not as real estate, because greenhouses are depreciable. Herman responded that one of the reasons they lowered the assessing rates on greenhouses this year is to take into account the depreciation and short life of the plastic.
14. Meeting ended at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting and Public Forum – June 19, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Karin Look, George Look, Diana Chapin, Sandy George, Lance Philbrook, Leslie Woods, Barbara Boulay, John York, John Bednarik, Greg Hills, Abbie Hills, Bridget McKeen and Whit, Peter Maruhnic, Doreen Butteri, Karie Friedman, Vicki McDaniel, Peggy McKenna, Linda Dartt, Debi Stephens, Rebecca Billings

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Montville Town House.
2. Acceptance of agenda and June 12, 2012 minutes. Jay reviewed the bank account statements.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #25 for \$11,937.52 was accepted and signed.
4. Letter to Searsport Planning Board on proposed LPG tank: tabled.
5. Wording of snow removal contracts—tabled.
6. Town House painting bids—tabled until next week
7. Public Forum: there was discussion on the three issues which are being considered as warrant articles at a special town meeting in July: transfer station collection method, use of town

buildings, and selling the old plow. The general consensus was that there wasn't enough urgency about any of these issues to warrant a special town meeting, and that it would be better to wait until the annual town meeting in March when there would be better attendance.

- A. It was generally agreed that it would be best to formulate guiding principles for the use of each town building and then establish policies of use based on those principles. Cathy Roberts, Leslie Woods, and Bridget McKeen offered to serve as a committee to research how other towns handle non-town use of town buildings. There was discussion about how broad or specific the articles should be, ranging from giving the Select Board the authority to set terms of policy for their use, to stipulating specific policy.
 - B. A lot of dissention was expressed about selling the old town plow. The truck was the town's original snowplow, bought in 1932 or 1933.
 - C. Jay stated that we could possibly hang on to the packer truck until March and wait to make a decision then about whether to move to a dumpster system.
8. Greg Hills announced that the Union Harvest Grange in Northport has closed, is moving back to Montville, and will use the Community Hall, which was previously the Union Harvest Grange. Greg said that the chairs, benches and other items that were moved out of the Montville Grange will be returned to the building. The grange will meet every other Thursday. Greg brought in a copy of the deed that transferred the building from the Grange to the Town. It states, "It is stipulated and agreed by the parties hereto that Union Harvest Grange #97 or any other Grange organization in said Montville shall be allowed to use the Hall herein conveyed free of charge" (Bk 824, Pg 359 June 2, 1984).
 9. Meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting-- June 26, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Diana Chapin, Sandy George, Peter Maruhnic, Jerry Sullivan, Ralph Sullivan (Jerry's brother), Gerald _____ (Sullivan's foreman)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Montville Town Office.
2. Acceptance of agenda and June 19, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #26 for \$2,178.45 was accepted and signed.
4. Jerry Sullivan, his brother Ralph, and his foreman Gerald spoke with the Select Board about the new arrangement of the town getting credit for the trash that Sullivan's takes from Montville residences to PERC. So far the system is working well. Jerry asked the Board, and the Board agreed, to pursue similar arrangements with other haulers who work in Montville. Jerry asked about the town's plans to switch to dumpsters at the transfer station and was told the issue will probably be put off until next year's town meeting in March.
5. Letter to Searsport Planning Board on proposed LPG tank: Jay drafted a letter that the Board agreed on. They will sign it next week.
6. The Board decided to keep the same wording as the current snow removal contract, which specifies that the method for deciding how to reimburse when fuel goes over \$4.00/gallon will be decided if and when it occurs: "If in the event of a substantial increase in the cost of fuel the Town and Contractor will mutually reach a reasonable addition to the contract price prior to the end of the current year contract. A substantial increase in fuel cost shall be defined as a price in excess of \$4.00/gallon retail." The contract year was set as August 1, 2012-July 31, 2013.

7. The Board accepted the bid of \$2,650 from Sean Anderson of Montville to paint the exterior of the Town House.
8. The Board discussed the results of DEP's visit to the transfer station. Among other things, we are required to move the packer truck 100' away from the property lines during non-transfer station hours. We also need to rewrite our operations manual.
9. The Board decided not to have a special town meeting in July. The issues of town buildings and the transfer station will be addressed at the regular annual meeting in March.
10. The Board signed a letter to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles acknowledging that they are aware that Abbie Hills will be filling in temporarily in Palermo as the BMV agent. The post will not interfere with her Montville hours.
11. Meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– July 3, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Peter Maruhnic, Brad Peters

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and June 26, 2012 minutes.
3. Brad Peters reported to the board about some issues that he and Bob Demers learned about at the Hazardous Material Training they attended last week. One of these is that they may not accept any asbestos at the transfer station.
4. Treasurer's Warrant #27 for \$9,134.85 was accepted and signed.
5. The Board signed a letter to the Searsport Planning Board regarding the proposed LPG tank.
6. The Board discussed preparations for roll-off (July 14-15), such as scheduling and communicating with DMJ about pick-up procedure.
7. Property Tax School will be held July 30-August 3 in Belfast.
8. The assessors signed a letter accepting a new application for the tree growth program.
9. Jay will review and prepare the annual URIP Certification form. The URIP program is now called Local Roads Assistance Program (LRAP).
10. The Board granted permission for town employee Jack Hills to charge items that cost under \$25 that he needs for mowing at EBS.
11. Jay signed the statement of values for blanket insurance coverage for town buildings.
12. The assessors committed the 2012 property taxes to Tax Collector Mary Thompson.
13. Meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– July 10, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Diana Chapin, Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and July 3, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #28 for \$63,371.15 was accepted and signed.
4. Preparations for roll-off (July 14-15) are complete.

5. Transfer station: Cathy continues to work on figuring out what setbacks are required for the packer truck and which would be required if we change to a dumpster system.
6. The Assessors reviewed the 2012 commitment process and talked about what went well this year and what improvements could be made for next year.
7. Jay signed the annual URIP Certification form.
8. The Select Board signed the ballot for the MMA Legislative Policy Committee, voting for Joe Brooks and Galen Larrabee.
9. Meeting ended at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– July 17, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Sandy George, Brad Peters, Greg Hills

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and July 10, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #29 for \$78,810.04 was accepted and signed.
4. Brad Peters and the Board decided that the transfer station will be open on Field Day, Saturday, August 11 during the regular hours of 8:00-4:00, and not open on Sunday, August 12.
5. Open to the Public: Greg Hills came in to talk about items that are currently in the Community Hall, which he says need to be moved in order to move the grange materials back into the building. Greg and the Board agreed on places to move the items that are currently in the upstairs storage room. Herman asked Greg to create an inventory of all the items that are and will be in the building. Some are owned by the town, some by the Union Harvest Grange, and some by the State Grange. Herman suggested that the Grange organization voluntarily donate funds to help cover the expenses of using the building, such as heat and electricity, so that taxpayers don't have to pay for them. Greg agreed to bring up the issue with the Grange organization.
6. Sandy George gave Jay a letter regarding towns and the RSU 3 budget. The Selectpeople will be attending a meeting with the Superintendent and Selectmen from other RSU 3 towns on July 18.
7. The Board finalized the language for next year's snow removal contracts. They agreed to pay the contractors a fraction of their annual contract amount (\$100/mile) in mid-November to help pay for start-up costs. The remainder will be divided in fifths and paid on a monthly basis from December-April, just as in previous years.
8. The Board okayed the winter sand bid letters. The letters will go in the mail tomorrow and are due back on August 7.
9. The Board reviewed what worked well and what could be improved upon during roll-off last weekend. Cathy will invite Bob Demers and Brad Peters to next week's meeting to discuss roll-off and other transfer station issues.
10. Meeting ended at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell, Administrative Assistant

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– July 24, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Bob Demers, Sandy George, Diana Chapin

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and July 17, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #30 for \$77,323.80 was accepted and signed.
4. Jay signed the work order for Thibodeau to start paving on the Morse Road and the Morrill Road.
5. Plow contracts were discussed. Steve will speak with Jonathan Thornhill and Jack Martin before we finalize.
6. The Board reviewed task list and assigned tasks. Next week they will talk to Steve about ditching by the schoolhouse. Herman suggested asking Mount View High School students to help with some tasks in exchange for community service. Herman and Cathy agreed to work on doing an inventory of town property.
7. Transfer station discussion with employees: tabled.
8. The Board discussed the July 18th meeting that was held in Thorndike with RSU 3 superintendent Heather Perry and municipal officers. The decreases in funding from the state and federal governments are increasing the burden on property taxes. Working together to find ways to save money and getting more involved at the state level were identified as goals. The minutes from the meeting were forwarded from the superintendent's office.
9. The Board had a lengthy discussion about how we could involve the community in actively participating in the process of finding ways to save money for the town and district, as well as how residents can become more involved at the state level to voice opinions and even change policy. This topic will be presented again on a future agenda for more discussion.
10. The board appointed Abbie Hills as the town's "public access officer."
11. Meeting ended at 9:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Herman Peaslee

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– July 31, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectman), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Glen Widmer, Sandy George, Ethan Brown

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and July 24, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #31 for \$26,895.61 was accepted and signed.
4. The 2012-13 snowplow removal contracts were signed.
5. Transfer station discussion with employees: tabled.
6. Kathy Littlefield, Waldo Selectperson, is holding a public meeting on issues surrounding RSU 3 at the Waldo Town Office on Wednesday, August 8 at 6:00 p.m.
7. The Assessors corrected a minor error in the commitment resulting from an error in the computer program. One piece of exempt personal property was included in the total valuation when it should not have been. The correction will not affect anyone's taxes. They signed a corrected commitment warrant as well as a statement explaining the correction.
8. Jay signed our application/license for transportation of nonhazardous waste so the packer truck can get a Category B sticker. There is no cost to municipalities.
9. The Board clarified that SWLA will be charged \$25 to use the Community Hall for its annual meeting, since the meeting is not a public meeting

10. The assessors signed an abatement application.
11. Ethan Brown asked questions about the assessment of his new house. The assessors reviewed some other properties as well.
12. Meeting ended at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– August 7, 2012

Present: Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), John York (emergency management administrator), Bob Demers, Brad Peters, Russell Eddy, Sandy George, Diana Chapin

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and July 31, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #32 for \$84,827.25 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board signed a "policy on the treasurer's disbursement warrants for employee wages and benefits," which allows one Selectperson to sign the weekly warrant for payroll only, in the event that only one Selectperson can be present at a Tuesday meeting. This will be the case next week. Only Herman can be here, so there will be no meeting on August 14. Susan will advertise.
5. John York informed the board that several employees and officers of the town need to take an emergency management training: Abbie, Mary, Susan, Jay, Cathy, Herman, and Steve. John will schedule a training with Dale Rowley, Emergency Management Administrator for Waldo County, in early September. The public will be invited to attend as well.
6. Russell Eddy approached the board about the taxes on his land, as well as his concern about the malfunctioning dam and low water level on True's Pond. He has many ideas about how to approach the problem, including meeting with the Camp NEOFA Board of Directors, as the camp owns the dam, and forming a citizens' action group comprised of other residents who own land around the pond. He asked the Board to think about what an appropriate role for the town might be.
7. Discussion with transfer station employees and review of roll-off day. Bob and Brad said they thought roll-off went relatively smoothly this year. Herman suggested finding a way to more thoroughly educate residents about what they can and cannot take to roll-off. Cathy said she will make a large poster that outlines what we do and do not accept and post it as soon as possible. The problem of people dropping off their trash during closed hours has continued, despite the sign that Cathy put on the packer truck a couple of weeks ago. The added trash clean-up causes an increase in attendants' hours and therefore an extra cost to the town. Possible solutions to the problem will be discussed at an upcoming meeting.
8. We received three bids for winter sand. Cathy and Herman deferred the decision about which bid to accept until Jay returns.
9. Cathy and Herman met with Steve about ditching behind the schoolhouse before the meeting tonight. Steve will give us a price.
10. Cathy signed the annual software and support licensing contract with Newburgh Associates.
11. Sandy George asked for the number of acres that are in current use programs (tree growth, open space, and farmland) as a percentage of the total acres in Montville. Susan will provide this for her tomorrow.
12. Susan calculated the savings from the solar panels that the town installed in July 2010. In the two years before the panels were installed, the town spent an average of \$2,236/year on electricity for five municipal buildings (town office, garage, firehouse, town house, and

community hall). Now that the panels are fully operational, we are spending \$636/year. This represents savings to the town of \$1,600/year. The grant that we received for the panels also included weatherization work on the garage and firehouse. We expect to see a decrease in heating fuel for these two buildings, but it will take a longer span of time to study the impact. Because of the grant and donations from individual residents, the cost to the town for these two projects was only \$4,122. The savings from the panels alone will recoup this cost in less than three years.

13. Susan will call Dave Thompson this week about pre-buy fuel oil prices.

14. Meeting ended at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

NO MEETING ON AUGUST 14, 2012

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– August 21, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Sandy George, Diana Chapin

11. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

12. Acceptance of agenda and August 7, 2012 minutes. Jay reviewed the monthly bank statements.

13. Treasurer's Warrant #33 for \$1,413.60 was signed for payroll on 8/14/12 by Herman. Treasurer's Warrant #34 for \$66,454.88 was accepted and signed.

14. Sandy asked what the town's relationship is with the Liberty and Belfast resiliency groups and Jay told her that there is none. Sandy asked if Hannah Hatfield is the town's community organizer and Jay told her no. Sandy complained about the potholes by the Schmidts' house on the North Ridge Road.

15. The Board awarded the winter sand bid to Dave's World. The price is \$6.90 per yard again this year. Jay will contact Dave to let him know.

16. Many items were tabled, as Cathy and Susan are gone this week.

17. Meeting ended at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Herman Peaslee

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– August 28, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Carol Visser (animal control officer), Glenn Visser (deputy animal control officer), Sandy George, Diana Chapin, Jeff Weinberger

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Acceptance of agenda and August 21, 2012 minutes.

3. Treasurer's Warrant #35 for \$1,449.53 was accepted and signed.

4. Sandy George asked about her right-to-know request for the signature page of the U.S. Conference of Mayors Climate Protection Agreement that the Select Board adopted in 2007. Susan informed her that neither she nor Abbie has been able to find the signature page. Sandy also asked about the Select Board instituting performance evaluations for town employees. The Board discussed the merits of doing annual evaluations for hired employees (transfer station operators, cemetery mower, administrative assistant) and possibly appointed

- officials, such as animal control officer, road commissioner, code enforcement officer, and others. Cathy offered to draft a policy on annual evaluations.
5. The Board discussed whether to hire someone to ditch the schoolhouse this fall; they will get a clear price from Steve Lucas and may also wait until next year.
 6. Solar savings. Susan will call the Volunteer Coordinator at Mount View High School to help find a student to make a couple of posters to show the impact of the solar panels on the town. We also discussed contacting the newspaper in the future to do an article and preparing a report for next year's annual town book.
 7. Fuel oil pre-buy. The Board decided to buy 450 gallons of #2 oil for the town office and 250 gallons of #2 oil for the garage from Thompson's for \$3.299/gallon. Jay signed the contracts.
 8. Transfer station trash and recycling illegal dumping. The Board will look into installing a security camera to try to deter this ongoing problem.
 9. Barking dogs. Jeff Weinberger asked that we focus on solutions to the barking dog problem near McFarland's Corner. Jeff stated that he is aware that the town and the animal control officer do not have authority to stop barking dogs. Jeff said that he has called both the sheriff and the state police about the problem. Animal Control Officer Carol Visser suggested keeping a log of when the dogs bark so that the dog owner will have a better sense of when his dogs are barking. Cathy suggested that Jeff, possibly other neighbors, and possibly Carol initiate a conversation with the dog owner. Carol agreed to accompany him. Cathy also suggested, as a second step, that Jeff consider drafting another dog barking ordinance for next year's town meeting.
 10. Transfer Station Manual. Cathy has drafted an updated manual; Herman and Susan suggested edits. The Board reviewed some specific aspects to the manual. Jay will work with Dave St. Clair on blazing the shared property line. The Board named Brad Peters to be the town's Facility Safety Officer.
 11. Cathy suggested initiating a cats forum on the town's website on which people can both advertise unwanted cats and others can look for new cats. Carol expressed reservations about the idea, because the problems of unspayed and unneutered cats and cats with communicable diseases will simply be passed on to someone else.
 12. On behalf of the town of Montville, the Board voted for James Bennett of Thorndike for the Waldo County Budget Committee.
 13. Summer roads spending: The Board will talk with Steve about coming up with a list of projects in priority order with cost estimates.
 14. Meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting-- September 4, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and August 28, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #36 for \$8,954.72 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board decided to have Steve Lucas do some ditching on a section of the Nash lot to help alleviate the ice buildup by the Kingdom school house and keep the field drier for our annual field day.
5. Summer roads spending: The Board discussed with Steve Lucas priorities for remaining summer roads work: adding gravel to portions of the Peavey Town, Halldale, and North

Ridge Roads, replacing culverts on the Center and North Ridge Roads, brush cutting on roadsides, as well as necessary grading.

6. Packer Truck: The Board and Steve discussed the repairs needed for the truck; it needs a new pusher plate. Steve will get a quote from the company that sold the packer to the town. To keep rainwater out of the packer truck, Jay will erect a tarp over the truck for when it is not in use and we will back the truck into the sand-salt shed until the winter sand comes in. In the meantime, we will pursue looking into what kind of permitting we would need before bringing the dumpster option up at town meeting in March.
7. Cathy finished writing the Operations Manual for the transfer station. The board decided to not allow smoking within 50' of the garage. Susan will send the Operations Manual to the DEP tomorrow. A copy will be available at the own office for residents to look at.
8. Jay reviewed the preliminary 2013 state valuation and found two sales in the sales study that shouldn't be included. Susan will notify Maine Revenue Services.
9. The Board discussed the need to keep the town website more up-to-date.
10. Cathy will attend the RSU 3 legislative meeting next Tuesday in lieu of coming to the Select Board meeting.
11. GAT Trading: Because of the increased waste delivery at PERC as a result of our agreement with Sullivan's, the Board decided to withdraw our request for a decrease in our Guaranteed Annual Tonnage (GAT). We are now meeting our GAT.
12. Meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– September 11, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Mary Thompson (tax collector/treasurer)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and September 4, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #37 for \$3,993.93 was accepted and signed.
4. Packer Truck: The Board decided to replace the two malfunctioning parts on the packer truck. The work will be done at Maine Equipment in Bangor for about \$1,500-1,700.
5. The Board signed an application from Northland Telephone of Maine/Fairpoint NE for buried cable crossing the Center Road near the Town House.
6. The board gave Susan permission to attend a general assistance training on October 1. The training is free.
7. Mary reported that the 2010 taxes have not been paid on 52 parcels. The properties that remain unpaid will foreclose on November 18, 2012.
8. Meeting ended at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– September 18, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George, Greg Hills, Glenn Visser

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and September 11, 2012 minutes.

3. Greg Hills submitted an inventory of everything that was taken from the Northport Grange and is now in the Community Hall, being used by the Union Harvest Grange. Greg stated that should the grange fold, everything would go back to the state grange. Herman asked Greg if the grange was concerned about the many kitchen items (dishes, silverware, etc.) listed becoming mixed up with the items that are currently in the Community Building. Greg stated that the grange members had already boxed up the town's items, replacing them with the grange's and posted a sign stating that they were for grange use only. He reported that the grange building committee met and inspected the building. They discovered that the roof is in reasonable shape, although the roof in the back of the building was reported as being in better condition than the front. Greg asked permission to reglaze the many windows that need it, replace the panes that are missing, paint the sills, and install a door on the anteroom upstairs. Labor would be volunteer and materials would be donated. The Board gave permission for this work to be done. Greg and Glenn Visser suggested that next year rigid foam be installed under the building.
4. Treasurer's Warrant #38 for \$70,534.24 was accepted and signed.
5. The Board found out that the oil tank at the grange has a hole in it. We will use the old oil tank from the firehouse and Thompson's will hook it up. The board discussed how much fuel to purchase for the Community Building. Jay stated that we should get only 20-25 gallons and asked Susan to find out the minimum amount that the fuel company will deliver. It was also stated that with the increased use by the grange and its auxiliary organization, the Committee for Women's Activities (CWA), we may need to purchase more than usual.
6. The trash and recycling need to be collected more frequently from the town office. Jay volunteered to take a load to the transfer station.
7. The Board signed a supplemental tax warrant and an abatement application.
8. Cathy reported on the meeting that she attended last Tuesday on school funding issues with school district administrators, legislative candidates, and other municipal officers.
9. Jay, Cathy, Herman, Susan, Abbie Hills, Mary Thompson, Steve Lucas, and some members of the fire department attended a training session last Wednesday on emergency management issues with Dale Rowley, Waldo County Emergency Management Director.
10. Meeting ended at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– September 25, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and September 18, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #39 for \$138,998.27 was accepted and signed. It includes the 2012 county tax of \$127,665.77.
4. The Board discussed publicizing land that is enrolled in the Open Space Program with public access by listing it in the annual report and at the town office. The Board asked Susan to contact the landowners who have not responded to the letter asking them to list restrictions on their public access land.
5. The Assessors signed the 2012 Municipal Valuation Return.
6. Jay moved the old oil tank from the firehouse to the grange. Thompson's will come to hook it up.

7. Jay signed a safety enhancement grant application for the Montville Fire Department. The purpose of the grant is to purchase five escape harnesses, carabiners, and D-rings for \$2,432.50.
8. The assessors reviewed and completed the 2012 sales analysis report (AKA turnaround document).
9. Meeting ended at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– October 2, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Brian Jones (of Freedom)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and September 25, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #40 for \$21,922.94 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board signed reminder letters to the landowners who did not respond to an earlier letter asking them to list restrictions on their open space public access land.
5. The Board examined 2012 spending levels of transfer station wages and compared them to 2011 levels. They have gone down slightly. It looks as if we will be able to meet the appropriated amount of \$11,000 for the year.
6. The Board discussed several municipal issues with House candidate Brian Jones.
7. Meeting ended at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– October 9, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and October 2, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #41 for \$11,440.76 was accepted and signed.
4. Herman reported that we received an offer of \$5,000 from a man in Pennsylvania for the town's old 1943 military fire truck that we have been trying to sell for many months. The Board accepted his offer, contingent upon his check clearing.
5. The Board reviewed the proposed state valuation. Our valuation went up \$150,000 from last year to a total of \$79,550,000.
6. The Board adopted Appendix C (Housing Maximums) of the General Assistance Ordinance.
7. Meeting ended at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– October 16, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Mary Thompson (tax collector/treasurer), Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Acceptance of agenda and October 9, 2012 minutes.
3. Earthquake felt and heard at 7:12 PM!
4. Treasurer's Warrant #42 for \$4,855.13 was accepted and signed. Jay reviewed the monthly bank account statements.
5. The Board discussed with Mary Thompson the standing order by the Board that directs Mary to apply partial tax payments to the oldest outstanding bill on a piece of property. It is unclear how the statute giving them this authority addresses a) multiple lots and b) differentiating between personal and real estate property. The Board asked Susan to email MMA to ask them for clarification.
6. Steve Lucas informed the Board of a possible violation of the Road Entrance Notification Ordinance on the Halldale Road. Steve will contact the landowner to be sure he/she understands the town's requirement.
7. The Board asked Susan to develop a form for landowners who want to put in a new entranceway on a town road. The Road Entrance Notification Ordinance requires that the landowner submit a sketch to the road commissioner to be approved before the entranceway goes in.
8. The Assessors discussed the need to review and update the town's assessment tables for mobile homes. They asked Susan to gather data.
9. The Board discussed developing policies regarding non-town use of town-owned buildings. The subject will be discussed at town meeting in March, and we need to develop warrant articles before then. Cathy will touch base with Bridget McKeen and Leslie Woods, both of whom agreed to help with gathering data from other towns.
10. In the process of updating the town's tax maps, Jay has discovered several very small lots that are not on the tax rolls. Two are former schoolhouse lots and one is a former cheese factory. When he is done with reviewing all the maps, the Board will decide whether to try to find the proper owners for these small lots.
11. In his work on tax maps, Jay also found a small family burying ground that is not assessed for taxes. With the help of MMA legal staff, we learned that while private burying grounds (up to ½ acre) and family burying grounds (up to ¼ acre) are not tax exempt, they are "exempt from attachment and execution," which means a lien placed on them would be uncollectable. It seems to have been the practice of the town in the past to not assess family and private burying grounds. The current Board feels the same.
12. Jay and Herman supplied the town house with firewood for the upcoming election on November 6. They will also replace a burned out light bulb.
13. Meeting ended at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– October 23, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George, Diana Chapin

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and October 16, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #43 for \$66,291.62 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board will begin the application process for acquiring a state permit to use dumpsters at the transfer station so that the option of utilizing dumpsters can be presented at town meeting in March. Jay will develop a list of abutting landowners.
5. The Board signed the bill of sale for the 1943 fire truck.

6. The Board continued its discussion of assessing mobile homes. They will look into the usefulness of purchasing of a *NADA Manufactured Housing Appraisal Guide*.
7. Cathy will meet soon with a group of residents to talk about non-town use of town-owned buildings.
8. MMA legal staff provided us with clarification about the standing order by the Board that directs Tax Collector Mary Thompson to apply partial tax payments to the oldest outstanding bill on a piece of property. According to the attorney, Mary may honor a taxpayer's request to apply a partial payment toward a separate lot, even if the tax bill is newer. She may also honor a request to apply a partial payment to either real estate or personal property taxes.
9. Meeting ended at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– October 30, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and October 23, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #44 for \$2,190.80 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board reviewed and suggested a couple of changes to the draft Road Entrance Notification Form. Susan will finalize the form and give it to Mary and Abbie and to Jay to post on town website so that it is available to people who are planning to put in road entranceways.
5. Jay reported that he has repaired the fence at Mount Repose Cemetery.
6. The Board asked Susan to contact Mount View High School regarding finding students to do community service work at the town office. Two possible tasks are 1) transcribing old town meeting minutes so that they are available to us in electronic format and 2) cleaning.
7. The town received a letter from RSU 3 Superintendent Heather Perry asking if the RSU 3 Technology Department can help the town in maintaining, updating, and connecting our IT services. The Board didn't identify any ways that they could utilize such help from the school district.
8. Herman suggested that we develop a way to track required training of town employees and officials. Susan will develop a spreadsheet.
9. Jay followed up on a report by a resident that the Mehuren Road is in need of repair. After visiting the road, he agreed that gravel should be added to a couple of spots and communicated this to Road Commissioner Steve Lucas.
10. The Board cast its vote for Neil Farrington of China to serve on the Municipal Review Committee Board of Directors.
11. The town's pick-up truck is in need of much repair. A recent list of repairs needed to pass the state safety inspection includes 13 items with a labor cost alone of \$1,500-2,500. Since we use the truck only to haul recyclables to Thorndike once a week or so, the Board decided to contract the work out and get rid of the truck. They will solicit prices for the job from several different people.
12. The Board voted to enter into executive session to deliberate over abatement pursuant to 36 M RSA § 841(2). The Board came out of executive session and tabled its decision pending gathering more information.
13. Meeting ended at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– November 6, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George, Diana Chapin

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and October 30, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #45 for \$17,526.94 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board continued its discussion about what to do to haul the town's recycling to UARRC, since the pick-up truck needs to be retired at the end of the month. We will either contract out the work or buy a used truck. We are currently soliciting prices from contractors for hauling. The Board also discussed some needed repairs on the recycling trailer.
5. Cathy revised the Transfer Station Operations Manual in response to feedback from Bill Butler at the Department of Environmental Protection.
6. The Board voted to enter into executive session to deliberate over an abatement pursuant to 36 MRSA § 841(2). The Board came out of executive session and voted unanimously to deny the abatement application.
7. Jay checked the condition of the Twitchell Hill Road in response to a complaint from a resident and decided to ask the road commissioner if he felt anything needs to be addressed before snowplowing season starts.
8. Meeting ended at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– November 13, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and November 6, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #46 for \$7,886.83 was accepted and signed.
4. Jay and Steve will look for used pick-ups and used trailers, as well as used box trucks, for transporting the town's recycling.
5. Cathy reported that Brad Peters is doing a very good job of keeping necessary records at the transfer station.
6. The Municipal Review Committee waived the GAT shortfall penalties for 2011. Our annual tonnage of municipal waste was short in 2011, but we expect to meet our GAT in 2012 because of our new arrangement with Sullivan's.
7. Cathy reported on the outcome of the Buildings Committee meeting from this afternoon. The committee is charged with developing a guideline of use for each town building. The group agreed on the following broad guidelines for each building:
 - a. Town Office Meeting Room: open for public use
 - b. Community Hall: private and public use
 - c. Schoolhouse: Historical Society will guide the use of building, since it stores its artifacts there
 - d. Firehouse: Fire Department will guide use of building, as they house lots of expensive equipment

e. Town House: still under discussion

The committee also discussed safety concerns in some of the buildings, particularly fire concerns in the town house. Another meeting will be planned for December.

8. Meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– November 20, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Sandy George

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and November 13, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #47 for \$62,679.39 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board continued its discussion of different options for transporting the town's recycling: possibly buying a new used pick-up, trailer, and/or box truck, as well as the possibility of contracting out the work.
5. Eight properties automatically foreclosed on November 18 for non-payment of 2010 taxes. The Select Board will work with property owners to redeem their properties.
6. A small piece of land was offered to the town as a donation if the land is in the resource protection designation of Shoreland Zoning. There are a lot of questions about the property: there is no clear boundary description or clear deed, and we are not certain that it is actually in shoreland zoning. The Board will try to clarify these questions before considering whether to recommend to the town to accept the land.
7. Meeting ended at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– November 27, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Jonathan Thornhill, Sandy George, Cliff Randall

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acceptance of agenda and November 20, 2012 minutes.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #48 for \$2,744.23 was accepted and signed.
4. On behalf of the Palermo Snowmobile Club, Cliff Randall of Liberty asked permission for a snowmobile trail to go through the town garage/firehouse property. The trail would enter from the Foy Road and go behind the sand shed, green storage trailer, and firehouse. It is the same trail that was there a few years ago. The Board granted him permission to remake the trail, including trimming some brush. They asked him to contact Fire Chief John York to confer about the placement of the trail.
5. The Board found out from Road Commissioner Steve Lucas that it will cost about \$600 to repair the brakes on the recycling trailer, but that the frame and axles do not need repair. Steve will find out what it will cost to replace the tires and rims. The Board asked Steve to go ahead and have the trailer repaired if he can do it all for under \$1,000 and, otherwise, to come back next week with the figures. The Board is still considering different options for transporting the town's recycling: buying a new used pick-up to use with the existing trailer,

buying a used box truck, contracting out the hauling of the trailer, and contracting out the whole job.

6. The Board reviewed the properties that automatically foreclosed last week for non-payment of 2010 taxes. One property owner redeemed her property this week and the Board issued a quit-claim deed.
7. Permission was granted to Carol Visser, Animal Control Officer, to take an advanced training course in Augusta later this week.
8. The furnace at the Community Hall is not working. Jay will check on it tonight and we will call Thompson's to repair it if he can't get it working.
9. The Fire Department received a Safety Enhancement grant for rescue harnesses for up to \$1,621.67.
10. March 30 was set for the date of the 2013 annual town meeting.
11. Jonathan Thornhill reported to Steve Lucas that there are large rocks on the sides of the Goosepecker Ridge Road and the Halldale Road, which will make it difficult for plowing. Steve will check into it.
12. Meeting ended at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– December 4, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner), Sandy George

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. The agenda and November 27, 2012 minutes were accepted.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #49 for \$44,272.57 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board found out that the recycling trailer is in worse condition than they were aware. It is not worth repairing. The Board thinks it is best to replace the pick-up truck and trailer with a used box truck. While they are looking for a box truck, they will look into renting or leasing a box truck or U-Haul temporarily to transport the town's recycling to Thorndike every other week.
5. The Board reviewed the properties that automatically foreclosed last week for non-payment of 2010 taxes. One more property owner redeemed his property this week and the Board issued a quit-claim deed. The Board signed a letter to the heirs of Edward Bragdon to see if any of them are interested in redeeming Lot 10/12 that has foreclosed.
6. Cathy will contact landowners whose property abuts the transfer station to seek permission to change the trash collection system to dumpsters.
7. The Maine Forest Service will be holding a series of informational training sessions on statewide standards for timber harvesting and related activities in shoreland areas. The standards will replace old town ordinances for timber harvesting in the shoreland zone in certain municipalities, including Montville, starting January 1, 2013. The training sessions will run from 6:30-8:30 PM and will take place regardless of weather. Each session will give an overview of the standards, provide information on resources for assistance with the standards and be an opportunity to ask questions. Foresters, loggers and landowners who harvest timber in shoreland areas are encouraged to attend. The nearest session to Montville is in Augusta on Dec. 13 at the Maine Forest Products Council Office, 535 Civic Center Drive. The new standards can be found in Section 15 (O-1) of the Montville Shoreland

Zoning Ordinance (pages 24-31). More information can be found at www.maine.gov/doc/mfs/fpm/swstds/sws.html.

8. Holiday Office Hours: On Tues, Dec. 25 and Tues., Jan. 1, there will be no Select Board meetings. On Mon., Dec. 24, Tues., Dec. 25, and Tues., Jan. 1, the town office will be closed. On Wed., Dec. 26, the town clerk's office will be open and the Select Board office will be closed. On Mon, Dec. 31 and Wed., Jan. 2, the town office will be open.
9. Meeting ended at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– December 11, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant), Steve Lucas (road commissioner)

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. The agenda and December 4, 2012 minutes were accepted.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #50 for \$14,725.24 was accepted and signed. Jay reviewed the monthly bank statements.
4. The Board discussed possibilities for purchasing a used box truck for recycling.
5. The Board reviewed the properties that automatically foreclosed last month for non-payment of 2010 taxes. Cathy and Jay each visited a property owner this week to discuss redeeming their properties.
6. Cathy has begun contacting landowners whose property abuts the transfer station to seek permission to change the trash collection system to dumpsters.
7. The Board discussed splitting the mileage and time expenses with the Town of Thorndike for our Deputy Animal Control Officer's recent training session.
8. Abbie Hills informed the Board that the Grange would like to move a piano into the Community Hall. There are two old pianos in poor condition already in the building, and it doesn't make sense to have three. The Board will try to find out the history of the two existing pianos before granting permission to the grange to get rid of one and bring a new one in.
9. Jay signed the tank evaluation for the oil tank at the Community Hall from Thompson's. The inspection is required by Thompson's before they deliver fuel to a tank that is new to them; we recently moved a previously used tank from the Firehouse to the Community Hall.
10. Meeting ended at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Shell

Montville Board of Selectmen Meeting– December 18, 2012

Present: Jay LeGore (1st Selectperson), Cathy Roberts (2nd Selectperson), Herman Peaslee (3rd Selectman), Susan Shell (administrative assistant)

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.
2. The agenda and December 11, 2012 minutes were accepted.
3. Treasurer's Warrant #51 for \$62,783.04 was accepted and signed.
4. The Board voted unanimously to buy the used 2003 GMC Isuzu 16' box truck that Steve Lucas found at O'Connor's in Augusta for \$6,000 to use as our recycling collection truck. The truck needs some repairs, which will make the total price closer to \$7,000. The price is a few thousand dollars less than comparable box trucks that Jay and Steve looked at. The

Board considered several other options to transport our recycling, including renting a truck, replacing the trailer and pick-up, and hiring Sullivan's, and found that buying the used box truck is the most economical choice.

5. In January, we will discuss selling the town's pick-up truck and trailer.
6. Cathy will continue to contact landowners whose property abuts the transfer station to seek permission to change the trash collection system to dumpsters. She will also check with our contact at the Department of Environmental Protection to ask for clarification about variances on required setbacks in the transfer station application process should we change to dumpsters.
7. The Board reviewed the properties that automatically foreclosed last month for non-payment of 2010 taxes and signed a quit-claim deed for one of them, transferring the property back to the owner after receiving payment. There are five remaining.
8. The Board granted permission to Abbie Hills and the Grange to move a piano into the Community Hall, given that they first get rid of the poorer of the two pianos currently in the building. The Board learned from Martha Derbyshire (formerly Goodale) that the two pianos were given to the town, with no expectation of being returned to the original owners.
9. The Board reviewed the listing that Susan compiled of properties enrolled in the Open Space program with public access. They asked Susan to send the list to the people whose names are on it for review. The plan is to include the list in the annual town report, as well as to have it available at the town office.
10. The Board decided to change the company we contract with to act as third-party administrator for our mandatory drug and alcohol program for drivers who are required to have a commercial driver's license. Our old company charged \$175/year. The new one (Maine Motor Transport Association) will charge \$25/year. The main service they provide is the random drawing of names to get tested.
11. The Board reviewed the manual on town policies that Susan drafted.
12. Meeting ended at 8:04 p.m.

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