

SELECTBOARD MEETING
January 20, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.
Treas/AA Office

Attendance:	Andy Pomerantz	Art Goodrich	Stan Brinkman
	Ken Colby	Rick Ackerman	Phillip Mulligan
	Doug Lyford	Dave Button	Joan Parker
	Jane Cushman	Dave Farnham	

1. Adjustments to Agenda
 - a. Executive Session – Personnel Issue
2. Minutes – Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to approve the minutes to the January 6, 2009 meeting as written. So moved.
3. Public Concerns – Dave Farnham attended the meeting to see if there was any feedback as the result of the fire last Friday night. He also advised the Selectboard that they might have to take the initiative to clean up the site. He reported that there was about 115,000 gallons of water used from the town's hydrant system. The Selectboard will seek legal advice as to how to proceed with the clean up.
4. Water/Sewer
 - a. Brookhaven – The signed easements from Brookhaven have still not been received. Doug will call Jim Kennedy to see what the status is.
 - b. Brookhaven Bond – Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to adopt the warning as follows:

The legal voters of the Town of Chelsea, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in the Town of Chelsea on Tuesday, March 3, 2009, between the hours of nine o'clock (9:00) in the forenoon (a.m.), at which time the polls will open, and seven o'clock (7:00) in the afternoon (p.m.), at which time the polls will close, to vote by Australian ballot upon the following Article of business:

Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Chelsea in an amount not to exceed Four Hundred Fifty Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$454,500) subject to reduction from the receipt of available state and federal grants-in-aid and other sources of funding, be issued for the purpose of financing the Town's share of the cost of designing and building a well pump/control station for Brookhaven Well and interconnecting water main from the pump station to the existing 12" water main on Main Street (VT Rte 110)?

The legal voters of the Town of Chelsea are further notified that voter qualification, registration and absentee voting relative to said special meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, V.S.A.

The legal voters of the Town of Chelsea are further notified that an informational meeting will be held at the Town Hall in the Town of Chelsea on March 2, 2009, commencing at seven o'clock (7:00) in the evening (p.m.) for the purpose of explaining the subject proposed purchase and the financing thereof.

Adopted and approved at a specially warned meeting of the Selectboard of the Town of Chelsea duly called, noticed and held on January 20, 2009. Received for record and recorded in the records of the Town of Chelsea on January 21, 2009.

5. Roads

- a. Budget – Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to set the highway budget at \$356,500 less State Aid in the estimated amount of \$99,000. So moved.
- b. Densmore Rd – Rick’s opinion is that Densmore Road is not a good spot for increased traffic that would occur if Wellspring were to build on Densmore Rd.

6. Old Business

- a. Zoning Bylaw Draft – Following discussion re: removing parking requirements from the Zoning Bylaw, Ken moved and Andy seconded the motion to accept the draft as written with a minor change to require accuracy of work in the village center design control district. So moved. Doug abstained. The Australian Ballot vote on the adoption of the Zoning Bylaw change will be held on Town Meeting Day, March 3, 2009 with an informational meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on March 2, 2009 in the Town Hall.
- b. Zoning – Quik Stop – The violation issue is being resolved this week.
- c. Budget - Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to set the Selectboard budget at \$329,304.23. So moved. Taking into account the deficit for 2008 and anticipated income, the overall budget (Selectboard & Highway) to be raised by taxes is \$594,230.47. This results in a 14% increase over last year. The appropriations will be listed under a separate article on the warning. Starting with the 2010 budget, any appropriation requests must be accompanied by a petition signed by 5% of the voters.
- d. Wellspring – Tabled
- e. Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan – Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to adopt the Chelsea Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan as an annex to the Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. So moved.
- f. Petition for Revote on the Hayward Property – The Board discussed the wording on the petition and the Secretary of State’s opinions regarding the improper wording. As a result of the discussion, Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to accept the technical correction to correct the wording and move the article to a vote on Town Meeting with an information meeting on March 2, 2009. So moved. The article to be voted is as follows:

Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Chelsea in an amount not to exceed Sixty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$66,800), be issued for the purpose of acquiring a 10± acre parcel at the south end of the Brian Hayward property at 43 East Randolph Rd. in Chelsea, Vermont?

- g. Other – Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to enter executive session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue. So moved. Exited at 8:50 p.m. Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to raise the Administrative Assistant pay from \$11.54 to \$12.54 per hour. So moved.

7. New Business

- a. Town Meeting Warning – The warning was reviewed and signed.
- b. Orange County Sheriff’s Dept. – Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to sign the OCSD’s annual contract for an amount not to exceed \$8,000. Officer hourly pay is set at \$26.00 per hour and mileage is \$.50 per mile. So moved.

8. Adjournment – Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. So moved.