

SELECTBOARD MEETING

April 7, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.

Treas/AA Office

Attendance: Erik Anderson	Dick Adams	Russell Martin
Ruben Hook	CJ Cesari	Peter Nowlan
Ken Colby	John Smith	Todd ???
Jane Cushman	Peg Pelckmann	Ken Williams
Diane Mattoon		

1. Adjustment to Agenda
 - a. Common Use for Plant Sale– New Business

2. Minutes – Erik moved and Ruben seconded the motion to approve the minutes to the March 17 and March 18, 2009 meetings as written. So moved.

3. Public Concerns

4. Water/Sewer
 - a. Brookhaven – Peter gave an update of the status of Brookhaven easement signing and project. Jim Kennedy, chair of Brookhaven board of directors expressed concerns with only having a 20 ft. right of way for the water line and the design and location of the pump house. Peter relayed these concerns to Otter Creek Engineering who acknowledged that a 20 ft. ROW is plenty and that the design of the pump house can be discussed. Jim believes that Brookhaven is ready to sign the easement.
 - b. Other

5. Roads
 - a. Roadside Mowing – The board has a request to be considered when it's time to discuss roadside mowing. This is tabled until next meeting when Rick is present.
 - b. Other

6. Old Business
 - a. Solid Waste – Tabled - Casella not present
 - b. Fire Scene Clean Up – Peter discussed legal issues involved with the town cleaning up the site. It is still the Selectboard's opinion that this is a public safety issue. Peg, Health Officer, will issue an emergency health order. Ken and Todd, Paul Davis Restoration, are cleaning up the Roberts property and need debris removed from that site so they may proceed with the restoration. Jane will notify those contractors that have expressed an interest in doing this cleanup to let them know that at this time, the town needs estimates to clean up the debris and will address securing the site after. Since PD Restoration will have equipment on site to clean up the Robert's property, they were invited to submit a bid to do the rest of the clean up.

- c. Zoning – Ken has been unable to contact Johnathan Hladik, assistant zoning administrator. If Ken is still unable to contact him, the board must proceed with enforcement actions before an abutter begins legal action.
- d. Fire Department Celebration – Tabled, no one attended
- e. Transfer Station – Dick is hoping to convince the Selectboard to stop accepting Pepper Rd. resident's trash. The Selectboard decided to keep the policy of accepting this trash. This is a courtesy to these residents. If they abuse the service or it becomes a capacity issue, the board will reconsider.
- f. Liquor Licenses – Ruben moved and Erik seconded the motion to sign the alcohol and tobacco license for The Pines. So moved.
- g. Town Hall Usage – Erik has talked to the 2 parties interested in sharing rent of the Town Hall. Both are going to continue in hopes that the town will change the rental fees. Phillip Mulligan does not have data compiled yet to determine fuel usage so the board will leave the rent as it has been until that information is available. Diane expressed concern that the building is being used as a gym and that damage is being done. There have also been complaints that the building is not clean. The board is going to be drafting a Town Hall usage policy.
- h. Town Garage – Nolan LaFrancis, Water System operator, has expressed concern that digging out the garage floor could damage the well behind the garage. Ruben will look at the floor to see if it's possible to make repairs without disturbing the existing floor. Shawn Rogers knows of someone who is able to seal the floor but it's possible that it's deteriorated beyond that point.
- i. Other

7. New Business

- a. Safeline – Erik moved and Ruben seconded the motion to allow Safeline to display a set of small flags representing and honoring survivors of sexual violence in this area. This will be done one day during the month of April. So moved.
- b. COPS grant – Orange Co. Sheriff Bill Bohnyak is considering applying for a COPS grant under the new stimulus package and is giving Chelsea a chance to participate. Ken will talk to Bill to get more information before making a decision.
- c. Commons Mowing – Bids for mowing will be opened May 5th.
- d. Plant Sale – Russell Martin, acting on behalf of the Library, requested permission to use the commons on May 5, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for the annual plant sale. Ruben moved and Erik seconded the motion to grant this request. So move.
- e. Other – The Health Center is requesting a reimbursement for their taxes due to errors and omissions. This decision will be tabled until May 21, 2009 after Erik has a chance to talk to the listers.

8. Adjournment – Erik moved and Ruben seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. So moved.