

SELECTBOARD MEETING
October 17, 2006 – 6:00 p.m.
Treas/AA Office

Attendance:	Andy Pomerantz	Jane Cushman	Jennie Martin
	Dick Rogers	John Parker	Emily Newman
	Carol Olsen	Rick Ackerman	Cindy Masterman

1. Minutes – Carol moved and Dick seconded the motion to approve the minutes for the October 3, 2006 meeting as written. So moved.
2. Adjustments to the Agenda
 - a. Broadband – Old Business
 - b. Grader Repair – Roads
 - c. WWTP Update – Water/Sewer
 - d. Roberts Poor Fund – New Business
 - e. Mileage – New Business
 - f. Wellspring – Old Business
 - g. Ancient Roads – Roads
 - h. Recreation Issues – New Business
 - i. Transfer Station – Old Business
 - j. Banner Request – New Business
3. Public Comments
 - a. Discussed public comments the board has received concerning Wellspring appeal.
 - b. Reports of more loads hauled onto a dumpsite.
 - c. Dick is going to thank the landowner of one of the dumpsites being considered for court action for cleaning up the property.
4. Water/Sewer
 - a. Naomi Hatch, USDA, contacted the treasurer to advise the town that the loan portion of the USDA grant/loan for the WWTP project has been spent. Normally, the LOC would be paid off and the 30-year USDA loan would be closed. She advised that there is a possibility that the interest rate may be much lower once their budget is passed later this year or early 2007. The rate for the loan is 4.375% and there is a possibility that it could drop to 2.625% with a savings of over \$72,000 over the life of the loan. Carol moved and Dick seconded the motion to hold off on closing the USDA loan with the possibility of the rates dropping. So moved.
5. Roads
 - a. Job Applications – Dick moved and Andy seconded the motion to enter executive session at 7:00 p.m. to review job applications. Carol recused herself. So moved. Exited at 7:25 p.m. Job interviews will be held on October 24, 2006 at 6:00 in the Treasurer's office.
 - b. Grader Repair – The grader has been trucked to Springfield for front-end work. Cost of the work, in the worst-case scenario is \$6,800 to be paid from the Equipment Account.
 - c. Ancient Roads – This discussion is tabled until Jane gets information from Diane on this issue. She attended a class on this topic at the MOMS today and has information that may be helpful in deciding how to handle ancient road issues.
6. Old Business
 - a. Joint Meeting – Andy and Dick will attend a meeting with the school board and facilities committee at the school tomorrow night, Oct. 18th to discuss uses of the Creamery property, joint town and school library and parking.

- b. Health Insurance – There is no interest in the health insurance discussed at the last board meeting.
- c. WEC Lawsuit – Tabled until there is further information.
- d. Broadband – Jim Veneziano sent sample ordinances governing construction of towers for broadband. The Board will wait for more information from Jim before proceeding with ordinance changes.
- e. Wellspring Appeal – A group of abutting landowners expressed their concerns for the effect of the Wellspring School appeal on the town.
- f. Transfer Station – The Board authorized Dick Adams to get the sweeper installed on the compactor as had been discussed in the past. Carol has received no further information on recycling antifreeze and electronics. Carol will call Mark Lembke to see if there has been any discussion on this issue at CVSWMD.

7. New Business

- a. Robert's Poor Fund – Carol moved and Dick seconded the motion to enter executive session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss a RPF request. So moved. Exited at 8:00 p.m. Carol moved and Dick seconded the motion to pay up to \$500 from the RPF and authorizing Dick to make the offer of money. So moved.
- b. Mileage – Jane attended a MOMS today and learned that to make mileage reimbursements tax exempt, we should have a good accounting of the mileage. Dick moved and Carol seconded the motion to inform the town employees of the need of good accounting of their mileage for IRS purposes. So moved.
- c. Recreation Issues – Dick moved and Carol seconded the motion to grant John Parker's request for permission to replace the dugouts at the T-ball field. So moved. John also discussed the Rec Committee's possible options to repave the basketball court (tennis court) and address the drainage problems at Marty Gratz's. The Rec Committee has \$5,000 in their budget for this project and was looking for ways to finance the balance. The Board authorized use of the town equipment to help with this project under the direction of the road commissioner.
- d. Banner Request – Dick moved and Andy seconded the motion to authorize the Grange to hang a banner on the southwest corner of the town hall property from November 1 – 18, 2006 to advertise the Grange Farmer's Market, Wellspring Silent Auction and the Senior Bizarre. So moved.

8. Correspondence

- a. Revolt & Repeal

9. Adjournment – Dick moved and Carol seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. So moved.

Action Items

- Jane will schedule job interviews
- Carol will call Mark Lembke
- Dick & Andy will attend the schoolboard meeting 10/18/06
- Jane will talk to Diane about Ancient Roads