

SELECTBOARD MEETING

April 26, 2011 – 6:05 p.m.

Treas/AA Office

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| Attendance: | Carol Olsen   | Karen Lathrop  | Susan Elder   |
|             | Erik Anderson | Rick Ackerman  | Megan Shannon |
|             | Jack Johnson  | Joyce McKeenan |               |
|             | Jane Cushman  | Vicki Weiss    |               |

1. Adjustments to Agenda
  - a. Library Banner for plant sale – New Business
  - b. Liquor License – Town Clerk
  - c. Proposal for Landfill Services – New Business
  - d. Town Credit Card – New Business
2. Approve Minutes to April 5, 2011 Meeting - Carol moved and Erik seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written. So moved.
3. Public Concerns
  - a. Karen received a complaint that there were dogs running loose of private property on West Hill. She advised him that the leash law only applies to the village.
4. Water Department
  - a. Rate Structure – Nolan plans to start cleaning terminals on the meters that don't work with a follow-up visit to make sure that fixes the problem.
  - b. Other – The Board agreed to accept Liquid Engineers Corporation's option #2 to clean, inspect and report on the condition of the water tank for \$2,665.00
5. Roads
  - a. Truck – After a lengthy discussion about the various options, Jack moved and Carol seconded the motion to enter into a 5-year lease buy back agreement with Clark's Truck. So moved. At the end of the 5-yr. lease, the town will have the option to purchase the truck for \$57,000 or trade the truck.
  - b. Garage Survey – Erik has been reviewing notes from previous facility committees. He will speak to Kevin Marshia to get the list of sites his committee visited. Carol will contact Dubois & King to discuss having a topographical survey done, what will be surveyed and the cost.
  - c. Adopt Road & Bridge Standards – Carol moved and Jack seconded the motion to adopt the new Road and Bridge Standards. So moved.
  - d. Other
    - i. Dozer – The acceptance of bids of the dozer will be advertised in The Herald. Bids will be opened on May 17<sup>th</sup>.
    - ii. Rick discussed the results of the VLCT safety inspection and the availability of grants.
    - iii. Mowing Tractor – Rick is working on an agreement with Vershire for the use of the mowing tractor in exchange for Chelsea's help with trucking.
6. Town Clerk
  - a. Town Hall Use and Rental Agreement - Tabled
  - b. Liquor License – Jack moved and Carol seconded the motion to approve the renewal license for The Pines. So moved.
  - c. Other

- i. Electrical – Karen reported that one of the breakers has bothered about tripping. She will have American Electrical do a load test, hopefully, when they are here working on the lights in the Library.
    - ii. Chelsea was awarded a \$2,000 grant from Secretary of State, Division of Elections to repair the handicap ramp.
7. Old Business
  - a. Brookhaven Field Usage – The School is working with Brookhaven on an agreement for the use of the field.
  - b. Appoint DRB Member – Jack moved and Carol seconded the motion to appoint Mike Button to the DRB until 2014. So moved.
  - c. Other
8. New Business
  - a. Animal Control - Tabled
  - b. Rep for TRORC Transportation Advisory Council – Jack is willing to represent Chelsea on this council.
  - c. Rep for Stagecoach – Erik is going to ask Jennifer Doyle if she's interested in serving on this board.
  - d. Transfer Station Fees – Although the income from the Construction and Demolition container did not cover the expenses, the Board agreed to keep the fees the same to encourage usage of the container.
  - e. Side Judges – South Common Traffic – Vicky Weiss and Joyce McKennan, Side Judges, are visiting all Selectboards to introduce themselves and to see if the towns have any concerns. They announced that there will be an informational meeting on May 11, 2011 in Randolph at 7:00 p.m. and another in September on the east side of the county to review year-to-date budget figures. Judge Eaton extended an invitation to anyone interested in a visit or tour of the Courthouse. The limited parking around the S. Common was discussed. Last winter's issues of snow piling up and breaking windows on the south side of the Courthouse were also discussed. The Selectboard encouraged coordination with Brian Sanborn and the road crew to remove snow as needed. There is concern that emergency vehicles would be unable to access Highland Avenue residents when the road gets narrow and the "NO Parking" is not enforced. The Board will suggest to the Constable that she monitor illegal parking next winter.
  - f. Energy Committee – Megan Shannon, representing the Energy Committee, presented a grant to do an energy audit at the Chelsea Public School for \$2,200. The Board, as the fiscal sponsor of the grant signed the grant.
  - g. Library Banner – The Selectboard granted Susan Elder, Library representative, permission to hang the banner announcing their plant sale on May 21, 2011, from the trees on the front lawn of the Town Hall. To provide safe crossing, the Selectboard authorized the Library to close off North Common from VT Rte. 110 to the driveway around the Town Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on May 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - h. Proposal for Landfill Services – Jack moved and Carol seconded the motion to accept the proposal from DuBois & King, Inc. to complete the 2011 compliance activities at the closed landfill for \$950. If additional water testing is required, those expenses will be added. So moved.
  - i. Credit Card – To eliminate the need for the treasurer to use her personal credit card for town purchases, the town will research getting its own credit card.
9. Adjournment – Jack moved and Carol seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. So moved.