



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2009

Members Present: Brian Kellogg, Todd Yando, Bob Beeman, Dave Yacovone and Min Cote.

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, TA; Carol Bradley, Finance Director; Bob Melfy, Highway Superintendent; Richard Keith, Chief of Police and Mary Ann Wilson, Town Clerk.

Guests: Tina Sweet, Gloria Wing, Joie Marshall, Alex Jump, and Mickey Smith

Meeting was called to order at 6:00PM in the Tegu Building Community Meeting Room by Brian Kellogg, Chair.

I. Agenda Changes, Announcements & Additions

1. Add select Vice Chair to New Business

II. COPLEY TRUST MEETING

1. Copley Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM by Brian Kellogg. Dan Stanyon could not be present to discuss options but provided the Board with 3 options. 1.) Transfer the balance above \$1,115,000 to the income trust, 2.) Transfer a lesser amount to the smaller income account. For example \$10,000 monthly, 3.) Transfer none of it to the smaller income account. The Copley Trust had voted to leave the principal trust alone until it reached \$1.2 Million at the last meeting in August. It is currently at \$1,138, 000.

Motion made by Gloria Wing, seconded by Todd Yando to go with option 3 and leave the principal account at \$1,138,000.00 until it reaches \$1.2 million. Motion approved. Motion approved. (7/0)

Motion made by Gloria Wing, seconded by Todd Yando to approve minutes of August 10, 2009. Motion approved. (7/0)

Motion made by Gloria Wing, seconded by Richard Sargent to adjourn the Copley Trust meeting at 6:09. Motion approved. (7/0)

Selectboard entered regular Selectboard meeting at 6:10 PM

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Nominate New Vice Chair-

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Bob Beeman to nominate Dave Yacovone as Vice Chair of the Selectboard. Motion approved. (5/0)

IV. BUDGET REVIEW

1. **Review PV Cemetery Budget-** Gloria Wing and Joie Marshall discussed with the Selectboard their FY10-11 proposed budget at 10.7% less than last year or \$2250.

2. **Police Department Budget Review-** Richard Keith, Chief of Police discussed with the Selectboard his FY10-11 proposed budget. His revenues are down due to losing the resource officer funding, but there was a savings due to equipment changes. PD will be starting negotiations with the Union soon, the contract ends June 30, 09. Brian asked if we could level fund the wages, since the rest of the Town will not be getting raises if the COLA does not increase. The current contract includes an annual 1.5% step increase. Richard would like to see the contract remain the same which would save on lawyer's fees in negotiations. We also need to keep in mind that the Union allows the Town as a whole to contract with NEEW for health benefits, which is a significant savings over our previous health care insurance provider. Min Cote questioned the overtime by the officers. Richard stated that he barely has enough officers to cover shifts. The overtime occurs when there is a need for a transport which requires two officers. There will be a detox center coming near the hospital which could cut down on the number of transports and overtime.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Sand Shed Roof-** The Selectboard opened the sand shed roof bids. The bids were due Friday by 3PM. Bids were received from the following
- a. Black River Construction- \$39, 900
 - b. Woodchuck Enterprise- \$41, 800
 - c. UName It Services- \$28,693 for roof + \$5,000 for repairs = \$33,693
 - d. All American Construction- \$48,500
 - e. Donnie Blake- \$ 38,378

The entry way to the sand shed needs some repairs, the wood is rotted and needs replacing. There is only \$30,000 in the budget. Could we do the sand shed roof and then do the entry way at a later date, or could the Town crew assist the low bidder in repairing the entry way to save money? UName It was the low bidder and offered to work with the Town crew to get the entry way repaired.

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Dave Yacovone to go with the low bidder; UName It Construction in an amount not to exceed \$30, 000 and to work with the Town crew on repairing the entry way of the sand shed. Motion approved (5/0).

2. **Zoning Administrator/Health Officer-** Mark Leonard is resigning going back to active duty at the end of December. Dan would like to advertise this position as a fulltime Zoning Administrator/Health Officer/ Planner Assistant. Dan will be talking with the Planning Commission tomorrow night regarding the position to get their take on it. He will develop an ad for placement in next week's newspaper if all are in agreement.
3. **Lamoille Regional Solid Waste District Updates-** Alex Jump has resigned effective immediately from the LRSWMD Board. Alex also recommended the Selectboard withdraw from the district due to the culture of the Board of Supervisors. She feels that the claims of sexual harassment have been ignored by the LRSWMD board and we, as a Town, need to set an example. The Selectboard would like Dan and Alex to work together to figure out what the cost to the Town would be if we withdrew from the district.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Dave Yacovone to accept the resignation from Alex Jump as the Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District Supervisor for the Town of Morristown. Motion approved. (4/1) Brian Kellogg abstained.

VI. TA REPORT

1. The Bridge will be paved tomorrow and will be open to one lane traffic until it is complete, within the next couple of weeks. They are working on the sidewalks and the railing.
2. Will be holding meeting every Monday through December 14th, 2009 to review budgets. We are about \$60,000 away from level funding the budget. Next Monday November 23 will be General Government and the fire Department.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Dave Yacovone to approve a change order for the additional railing needed in the amount of \$26,400.00. Motion approved. (5/0)

2. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Brian Kellogg- None

Todd Yando –None

Dave Yacovone- None

Bob Beeman- None

Min Cote- Union Bank parking lot. Was wondering who uses it the most? We plow it, are the Town people allowed to use it? Dan indicated that it is mostly used by the Union Bank employees, and Bourne's, the first row of parking near the Gazebo are dedicated to public parking.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Minute of 11/2/09
2. Approve & Sign Warrants

Motion made by Todd Yando, seconded by Dave Yacovone to approve consent agenda as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

4. ADJOURN

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Dave Yacovone to adjourn meeting at 8:00PM. Motion approved. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 17th day of November
Tina Sweet for Erica Reed, Administrative Assistant

Please note that all minutes are in draft form unless otherwise stated.