



SELECTBOARD MEETING

SEPTEMBER 13, 2004

Members Present: Brian Greenia, James Paige, Shaun Bryer and Brian Kellogg
Members Absent: Cathy Voyer
Department Heads: Paul D. McGinley, TA; Chief Richard Keith, Mary Ann Wilson, TC
Guests: Brad Limoge, Krister Adams and Roland Boivin

Chair Brian Greenia called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Morrisville Water & Light Facility.

GUEST

KRISTER ADAMS – HFI Agent was here to revisit the proposed VCDP Planning Grant that Will Giblin had discussed with the Selectboard in June. Mr. Giblin is no longer with HFI and Mr. Adams wished to ask the Selectboard to support their efforts and asked the Town to apply for a \$30,000 VCDP grant on behalf of the Housing Foundation.

Mr. Adams explained, when questioned, that HFI was a separate entity of the VSHA organization and they were a 501C3 non-profit organization, even though their address and email information was listed under Vermont State Housing Authority.

He further stated that non-profits, such as HFI, received 45 days prior notice of sales of Mobile Home Parks. A project site evaluation was provided to the Selectboard giving them a brief update on the project and the history of what had taken place thus far. An appraisal report was also provided.

Lot Rents at the Park are currently at \$252 per month, which is average for the State of Vermont. HFI currently owns seventeen Parks ranging from (15) lots to (172) lots. There are water issues at the Pinecrest Park with increased levels of uranium and radium due to the owners having to deepen the well because of the drought in 2001. There are five septic systems with leach fields at the Park for which one leach field had recently surfaced.

Chair Greenia stated that he felt the Town should not be involved. If HFI was a non profit, why couldn't they apply for the Planning grant? Mr. Adams explained that it was how the rules of the grants were written, that a municipality had to be the applicant.

BROOKLYN STREET STP SIDEWALK PROJECT:

The Town Administrator reported that Bob Alexander, Inspector from Dubois & King has been hired to inspect the MW&L waterline paving project for the Town to see that it is done to the Town's specs. There will be issues with plowing and resurfacing next year, if not done properly.

He further informed the Board of the three catch basins found. They had been running into the sewer system with another pipe discharging over the bank. There will be a change order forthcoming to allow for the changes to correct this storm drain problem, which now taken out of the sewer needs to be fixed.

There were two bids for the crosswalks. The walks can be painted as they are done currently for \$8/ft or if the dyed, textured crosswalks are installed they will be at a cost of \$150 per foot. The Board were in agreement that the conventional painted crosswalks were what they wanted.

COPLEY HOUSE – NOTE PAYABLE:

The Town Administrator supplied the Board with an informational sheet on the history of the Copley House Note. Brian Greenia stated that the Town needed to know whether the State would agree to have this Note Payable forgiven and converted into a grant as requested. Brad Wilson and Mary Ann Wilson arrived at this time.

The TA stated that Carol Bradley had been in contact with Carol Collins of LHP and Ann Kroll of the State and has been advised that the note can be forgiven.

On a motion by James Paige, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board moved to ask the State for consideration of forgiving the Copley House note payable and deeming it a grant instead.

NEW BUSINESS

MFD FIRE HORN:

Shaun Bryer informed the Board that the Fire Horn had not been operating since February of this year. Apparently the horn is so old that the parts are no longer available. A service man had looked at the apparatus and has told the Department that a valve could be installed at a cost of \$1,500 using in-house labor. The TA asked if Homeland Security funds could be used to help cover the expense, but Brad Wilson assured him that it was not possible to do this.

The horn would sound the same, but would be electronic and could be activated in-house or from Hyde Park Dispatch.

Chair Greenia asked if the Department could shuffle things around in their budget to cover this additional expense or seek other grant funding as it was early in the fiscal year.

The Selectboard authorized MFD to repair the horn and would look in the budget for funding. Brad left at this time.

On a motion by James Paige, seconded by Shaun Bryer, the Board moved out of Executive Session at 7:43 PM.

ACTION TAKEN:

The Selectboard authorized the TA to advertise for a full time truck driver/laborer to fill the vacancy in the Highway Department.

On a motion by Brian Greenia, seconded by James Paige, the Board authorized the Fiscal Office to pay Roland Boivin a \$1,000 Bonus for acting as Foreman with no increase to his wages for the past few months.

INTERSECTION STUDY:

The TA informed the Board that one bid on the Intersection Study had been received.

ADJOURN

On a motion by James Paige, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board adjourned their regular meeting and moved into the Board of Liquor Control.

LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

A second class liquor license application was received from BNN Enterprises, Inc. d.b.a. Tomlinson's Store. The Selectboard questioned the ability of someone to obtain a liquor license who is not a citizen of the USA and that currently there is already a business operating at that location that holds a liquor license.

Brian Greenia moved to approve the Second Class Liquor License from BNN Enterprises Inc. as presented. Shaun Bryer seconded the motion. A vote was called with Brian Greenia and Shaun Bryer voting in favor of the motion and James Paige and Brian Kellogg opposing. With one member absent it was a tied vote, therefore the motion failed.

On a motion by James Paige, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully filed and submitted this 14th day of September 2004.

Barbara Cochran, Administrative Coordinator

Minutes Approved

Date

September 13, 2004

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