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SELECTBOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

Members Present: Shaun Bryer, Brian Kellogg, Todd Yando, and Dave Yacovone.

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, TA; Bob Melfy, Highway Superintendent, Carol Bradley, Finance Director.

Guests: Max Paine, Bill Henchy, Heather Sargent, Bill Rossmassler, Sondra Sanborn, Amy Noyes, Isaac Graham, Justin Pittinaro and Steve Rae.

Meeting was called to order at 6:02PM in the Tegu Building Community Meeting Room by Brian Kellogg.

I. AGENDA CHANGES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. None

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Transportation Enhancement Grant**- this grant would fund a scoping study for the A Street to Bishop Marshalls Sidewalk Project. The Federal earmark dollars will only cover A Street to B Street. Scoping study will help to determine if there are any issues with ROW.

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Bob Beeman to authorize proceed with the Transportation Enhancement Grant. Motion approved. (5/0)

2. **Well Head Protection**- Chip Percy is looking for an easement to Town Property on the Cochran Rd. Selectboard is worried about protecting our Well. If blasting occurs then it could disrupt the bedrock and we could be without a well again. Board feels that Chip should come in and discuss further with the Board. Will invite him for next meeting.
3. **Reserve Funds**- There are $255,429 in unallocated Reserve Funds. Finance Department has proposed allocating in the following accounts:
    a. **RT 100 Sidewalk**- $50,000
    b. **Parking Study**- Union Bank -$3,000
    c. **Vacuum Vector Grant**- $6,000
    d. **Library**- Union Bank Donation- $45,000
    e. **Highway Paving Funds**- $126,500

This would leave $24,929 unallocated. The Board decided to go with recommendations except delete the allocation of $3,000 to Union Bank Parking Study; reduce the allocation to $100,000 for Highway Paving and add $25,000 to the Sewer Extension agreement with H.A. Manosh.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Bob Beeman to allocate funds as discussed. Motion approved (5/0).

4. **Boiler for Rescue Building-** discussed bids received. 3 possible contractors were sent specs on project, only 2 bids were received. The Board asked if there was an ad put in the paper soliciting bids. Dan said no that they had contacted possible bidders. Selectboard would like to see ad in paper for bids.

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, Seconded by Todd Yando to put project out for rebid with an ad in the paper. Motion approved (5/0)

III. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Skate Park Committee-** presented a new design for Skate Park. Design would have a covered roof and a larger half pipe then presented before. Dan thought that this type of structure would require a State permit because it would be considered a permanent structure. Board asked Skate Park to talk with Mark in Zoning to find out what permits will be necessary.
2. **Green Mountain Landscaping-** Richard Lowe has sent another bill and will be taking further action if it is not paid. The Selectboard has chosen not to respond to this current letter as they responded to the last one.
3. **Zoning-Retail Cap discussion-** Selectboard discussed proposed language to retail cap. Currently there is no cap for retail. The Planning Commission has proposed a 75,000 sq. foot cap. Results from the survey conducted were 41.5% wants less than 50,000 sq. ft, 22.3% wanted at least 75,000. 30.8% wanted 75,000 or more. 5% of those that took the survey did not answer the question. The community seems to be split on whether or not we want or need a store that size and most refer it to a Walmart type store. The Planning Commission asked the Selectboard to make a decision regarding the language. Shaun asked each member how they felt regarding the language. Majority was not to accept the proposed language.

IV. TA REPORT

1. Bridge concrete deck is gone. Bridge should be lifted out Thursday. The Northeast wing wall needs to be resurfaced. Everything is still on track. Need to figure out what we want for a ribbon cutting ceremony. Dan would like to do this before paving is complete so that when paving is done there won't be any delays opening the bridge.
2. Thanks to the Highway crew especially Dana for getting the library ramp finished.
3. Sidewalk project is going well
4. Working on Pleasant Street project with Heidi
5. LCPC contract still needs some ironing out. Should meet with them to discuss.

I. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Brian Kellogg- Horse issue is all set
Todd Yando –none
Dave Yacovone- County Collaborative meeting? Dan will try to get this scheduled for this month.
Shaun Bryer-

- Congrats to Amy Noyes on her book being published
- Businesses are feeling a pinch due to the bridge being out. Is there some way we can help them out. Maybe some Tax abatement.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Minute of 08/24/09
2. Approve & Sign Warrants

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

I. ADJOURN

Motion made by Todd Yando, seconded by Bob Beeman to adjourn meeting at 8:45PM. Motion approved. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 9th day of September
Erica Reed, Administrative Assistant

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