

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 12, 2000

PRESENT: Don Anderson, Steve Leach, Brian Greenia-Chair, Lee Sturtevant

ABSENT: Jim Paige

DEPT. HEADS: Wally R, Richard K, Dave G, MaryAnn W, Bill M, Bud G

GUESTS: Henry Tottenham

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

HIGHWAY REPORT:

The Village crew has been painting crosswalks, working on the walking path and stock-piling sand although the weather has caused difficulty in completing these tasks. Correctional work crews will paint the Village shed the first part of September – the Town only needs to provide paint & brushes. Bill requested Boards choice of paint color – it was decided on tan with white trim. The Town crew has the sand all piled and the chloride is on. They have been digging ditches and working on rocks at the Oxbow. Bill is still negotiating uniform prices with Unifirst – the Board suggested floor mats be included in the same contract as the uniforms – Bill will work with Carol B. to see if this will increase savings on the contract. The hot mix price is up \$2.00 from last year and the cost of laying is up \$1.00 from last year.

POLICE:

The dept. received about 215 calls with 1 detox. Firearm training on 6/1/00 went well. Pike & Whitcomb will start blacktopping the road from Grand Union in Stowe through the Mobil on Morrisville side. The dept. will be assisting in traffic control – length of project is estimated to be about 3 months. Richard will be on vacation from 6/13/00 to 6/26/00 – Larry Pecor will be in charge. As there was not a majority board vote due to absences at the last board meeting, the COPS Program needed a re-vote. Brian made the motion seconded by Don to reaffirm the COPS Program vote of the last regular meeting. Passed. SL-opposed. An agreement has been written with the School and the Town for the School Resource Officer. The school has seen the document and has no issues with it. Don made the motion seconded by Lee to enter into the agreement with the School District and the Town of Morristown for the School Resource Officer. Passed.

FIRE:

The burning of the W&L building on Saturday went well. The crew had the opportunity to try out new low-pressure fog nozzles and would like to purchase some out of next year's budget. They work well and reduce manpower necessary for each hose. The crew also worked with the infrared device – after using it Wally will reconsider the purchase of one and look at other options. Due to the length of time to get the actuator valve rebuilt, the dept. will purchase a new one instead, as the truck cannot be used until the valve is in place. Out of the \$10,000 Jeffords Grant applied for the Dept. received \$2,200 – Wally would like to put all of this grant money into new bunker gear. A vacuum cleaner is needed for the Fire Station – Wally will meet with Lee to discuss options.

GUESTS:

Henry Tottenham was present to discuss the change of lot line between his property and the Town. He is amicable to the change however feels he should be reimbursed for previous contract amounts – he stated he would not settle without any compensation. The Board will decide how to respond to Henry's request within the next month – they would like to speak with adjacent owners.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion regarding funds set-aside for plaster repair at the Library – a request to retain funds into next year's budget if not completed within this year's budget. Fuel bid discussions were postponed until the next regular Board meeting. There was discussion regarding the previous Belval / Fitzgerald issue – should a letter of response be sent to the attorney? The issue may be resolving itself as Bill has moved out of the residence however the Board will act accordingly at the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Lee made the motion seconded by Don to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on May 29, 2000 with the following corrections:

Hwy Report – crew has been **stock piling** (not spreading) sand.

Old Business – a motion was passed for the discontinuance of **a portion** of TH84 (not the entire road)
Passed. LS-abstained.

NEW BUSINESS:

A proposal was submitted by Eugene Dambach to switch phone carriers from MCI to Excel. The proposal indicated there would be savings of up to 46%. Don made the motion seconded by Lee to approve the proposal.
Passed.

Carol B. requested Board approval of Dental premiums to be issued as pre-tax savings. Lee made the motion seconded by Don to adopt the cafeteria change in the Dental plan as identified by Carol. Passed.

Lee made the motion seconded by Don to set pay rates for FY 2000/2001 as presented. Passed.

Don made the motion seconded by Lee to approve the Junkyard Location permit requested by J. Foss. Passed.

Steve made the motion seconded by Lee to approve the Fireworks permit requested by Ed Wilson. Passed.

Lee made the motion seconded by Brian to appoint Brian Anderson to the Recreation Committee. Passed.

Penny Mason-Anderson requested approval to place a picnic table at the Oxbow. The Board has some concerns regarding placement due to the flood zone. Don A. will contact Penny to discuss options.

Claude Marcoux requested putting a Varsity Baseball Diamond at the Oxbow. It would be built with temporary equipment and picked up at the end of June each year. The Board will request a more defined plan to address concerns.

GENERAL FUND:

Lee made the motion seconded by Don to pay Warrant #00-24 in the amount of \$49,861.30 and Warrant #00-23 in the amount of \$25,295.35. Passed. SL-abstained.

Brian made the motion seconded by Don to pay Payroll Warrant for pay period ending 6/3/00 in the amount of \$23,421.31. Passed.

Lee made the motion seconded by Don to pay manual invoices #ML-11 in the amount of \$18,661.44. Passed.