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SELECTBOARD MEETING OF March 17, 2014

Members Present: Bob Beeman (Chair), Min Cote, Brian Kellogg, Steve Rae and Mickey Smith

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police and Denny Digregario, Fire Chief.

Guests: Tina Sweet, Andrea Caldwell, James Bucher, Tracey Patnoe, Russ Clark, Sandy Ladd, Rhoda Bedell, & Leon Whitcomb.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM in the Community Meeting Room by Bob Beeman.

I. SELECTBOARD REORGANIZATION

Bob Beeman turned the meeting over to Vice Chair, Brian Kellogg.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Steve Rae to nominate Bob Beeman for Chair. Motion approved. (5/0)

Brian turned the meeting back over to Bob.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Steve Rae to nominate Brian Kellogg as Vice Chair. Motion approved. (5/0)

II. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Add Sign Loan Documents to Consent Agenda
2. Add Real Estate to Other Business- Possible Executive Session.

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Rhoda Bedell was concerned about the letter she received in the mail regarding some potential Zoning changes. Bob Beeman, Chair of the Selectboard suggested attending the Planning Commission meetings as they are in the planning stages of making changes to the BED along the Rt. 100 Corridor. Andreas Caldwell, member of the Planning Commission, stated the meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month and the next meeting is April 1, 2014. Andrea also stated that they are currently in the discussion stages of making zoning changes in that area.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. **RIGHT OF WAY / PAVEMENT CUT -** Cheryl Goslant has applied for a permit for Pavement Cut in the Town Right of Way. Her water and sewer is frozen and the pipes need to be dug up to fix the problem. She has agreed to pay for the labor and the asphalt replacement. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator explained to her that the replacement cost could be up to $769.00. She is ok with that amount and understands she will be billed only for the amount of labor and asphalt that is actually used.

2. **AMENDMENT TO THE APPRAISER AGREEMENT-** Charlie McArthur, Listing Coordinator would like to amend the Appraisers Contract to allow more hours for them to help assess the commercial real estate market. The contract would be extended for 1 year for an amount of $24,000. He feels there may be a State mandated reappraisal coming and it could include the Commercial market. Extending the contract to keep the appraiser on would help the Listers get a jump on it.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to amend the appraiser agreement for a period of one year in an amount of $24,000. Motion approved. (5/0)

3. **TOWN APPOINTMENTS-**

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve the Department Head / Selectboard Liaisons as follows:

DEPARTMENT	**LIAISON**
Fire	Brian Kellogg
Police	Bob Beeman
Rescue	Steve Rae
Highway	Min Cote
General Gov.	Mickey Smith

Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve the Town appointments as follows:

Charlie Mcarthur	E-911 Coordinator
Duane Sprague	Fence Viewer
Charlie Mcarthur	Fence Viewer
Dave Yacovone	Town Service Officer
Dave Stevens	Tree Warden
Dan Lindley	Emergency Management Coordinator

Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Steve Rae, seconded by Min Cote to approve the following Town Appointments

Brian Kellogg	Pound Keeper
Jeffrey Foss	Pound Keeper
Brian Kellogg	Animal Control Officer

Motion approved. (4/0) Brian Abstained.

Green-up Coordinator

Currently Steve Rae of the Conservation Commission is the Coordinator for Green Up day, he would like to be removed as Coordinator and add Ron Stancliff's name as the

Coordinator and Contact person for Green up Day. Ron is the Chair of the Conservation Commission and has agreed to be the contact person for Green UP Day.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to add Ron Stancliff as Green up day Coordinator. Motion approved. (4/0) Steve Rae Abstained.

Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District Representative:

Motion made by Min Cote to approve 2 Year Term for Charles Cooley as the Towns Representative for the Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District. Motion approved. (5/0)

4. **AWARD BID FOR HIGHWAY TRUCKS-** We have received bids for the purchase of a cab & chassis for the Highway Department for the 14-15 budget year. We can accept a bid but we cannot sign a purchase and sale agreement until April 3 because we are still in the waiting period for the Town Meeting Vote. Also we cannot take delivery of the vehicle until after July 1, 2014.

The following 5 bids were received:

Clarks International total purchase less trade in $52,747.00
J&B Western Star- total purchase less trade in $ 63,515.00
J&B International- total purchase less trade in $ 55,728.49
RR Charlebois Freightliner- total purchase less trade in $ 65,500.00

Representative from each company were present and discussed their bids with the Selectboard.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve low bid from Clarks in the amount of $52,747.

Discussion: Selectboard asked about the warranty. Each vendor specified that there were very few if any differences in the manufacturer's warranty. If we were to purchase an extended warranty would should look for the limitations on engine hours as well as miles.

Motion approved (5/0)

V. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

None

VI. TA REPORT

1. Dan thanked the highway department for the long hours and hard work they put in during last week's snow storm.
2. Mud season is coming- if we get sun and warm days all at once it could be a nasty mud season.
3. The Fire Department sent out bids for the electrical and they came in under $5,000. They have money in their budget for the improvements and are moving ahead with the project.

4. Merchants Bank will need to have a signed copy of the Tax return for the Copley Trust. Dan Stanyon will be mailing that out for the Board to review and then Dick Sargent can sign it.
5. March 31st we will be having a Joint meeting with the Village Trustees to discuss the Transfer station, the licensing of the Dams and we have DRB & PC appointments that need to be made. We will also need to have a Copley Trust meeting to discuss the Oxbow Pavilion.

VII. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Steve Rae- None
Min Cote- Potholes - heard the highway/village crew were out filling potholes with cold patch when they were filled with water. Would like to see the holes dry before cold patching. Need some crosswalk signs starting at the Bijou and going up Brooklyn Street.
Brian Kellogg- Bill Reen mentioned that there is a dip in the side walk on Brooklyn Street.
Bob Beeman- none
Mickey Smith- Will the Morristown Corners road be one lane or two when the bypass is complete. Dan believes it is supposed to be one lane. Once the bypass is complete it will be a Town road and we will be able to make changes to it.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Min Cote to approve consent agenda with change to the February 24, 2014 minutes. Delete sentence " Mary Ann Wilson was in favor of purchasing the property at the new listed price of $350,000". Motion approved. (5/0)

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Denny Digregario wanted to know if the Selectboard had reaffirmed him as the Fire Chief. They have not and will add to the next agenda. Denny also mentioned that he would like to talk with Dan regarding Water & Light.
2. Real Estate - need to enter executive session to discuss.

Motion made by Steve Rae, seconded by Min Cote to enter executive session for Real Estate. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to exit executive session and enter regular selectboard session. Motion approve. (5/0)

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Mickey Smith to adjourned the meeting at 7:35.PM

Respectfully submitted and filed this 18th day of March , 2014

Erica Allen, Scribe

Please note that all minutes are in draft form unless otherwise state and are approved at the next meeting.