SELECTBOARD MINUTES 2/20/01

Members Present: Don A., Steve L., Brian G., Jim P., Lee S.
Absent: None
Dept: Heads: Bill M., Richard K., Brian K., Wally R., Francis F., Mary Ann W.
Guests: Mike Morrow, Mark Struhsacker, Scott Corse, Peter Wilder

The meeting commenced at 6:00 PM.

HIGHWAY DEPT:
The department may run over on the salt budget due to the frequency of storms this year. The sand supply is adequate.

POLICE:
The department received 400 calls for the month, with 2 detox transfers. Richard attended academy training on the 5th, 6th and 7th specific to small departments. Workstations have been installed in the conference room. The conference room table needs to be relocated. The Board suggested offering it to the Rescue Squad. Roof leaking has stopped since the ice was removed.

GUESTS:
The Board discussed with Brian Kellogg and Mike Morrow the relocation of the recycling transfer station to the Water & Light property. Mike stated that the W&L Commissioners might decide not to offer the site in light of concerns from the neighbors. The Selectboard will attend the next Commissioner's meeting to express their support for the location. Lee S. expressed concern over the lack of communication between the LRSWMD representatives and the Board. Steve L. opposes the siting of the station at the W& L property, as well as the Town subsidizing any portion of the operation. Lee S. stated that he supports keeping the station close, but is not in favor of paying the rent at the present Manosh site.

FIRE:
The new imager has arrived. The Department is working with AOT to arrange the burning of the Chase house on Waburn Avenue in late May. Wally requested approval for $6635.00 plus shipping for air packs to be fitted for the brush truck. Money is available in the budget. Lee S. moved and Don A. seconded a motion to approve the request. Passed.

HEALTH:
No report.

RESCUE:
No report.

ANIMAL:
No report.

GEN. GOVT:

A request for a liquor license transfer has been received. The Board decided to enter into session as the Liquor Control Board later in the meeting.

TA:

Julia gave an update on the status of revisions to the Morristown Development Fund. A letter has been received from John Sullivan of LEDC in support of the transfer of fund administration. The Town Report is expected back from the printer on the 2/21 or 2/22. Steve L. will deliver a report to Mac Miller. The Selectboard authorized Larry Jourdan to update the electrical panel, outlets and emergency lighting for the second floor office area. The Board will interview Paul McGinley for the Interim Town Administrator position on 2/26 at 6:30 PM. The Board directed Julia C. to move forward with acceptance of the Enhancement Grant for sidewalks to Oxbow Park. Julia C. to contact Sandra Neely regarding re-appointment as Town Service Officer.

LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD:

Lee S. moved and Don A. seconded a motion to suspend the meeting and go into session as the Liquor Control Board. Passed. Steve Benson has requested authorization to move his license to cater a party at the Legion on 3/16/01 from 5:00 – 11:30 PM. Proof of insurance has been received by the Legion. Lee S. moved and Steve L. seconded a motion to approve the request. Steve L. asked if Steve Benson would be able to serve liquor at his restaurant during the function. Brian G. stated the license was only good for one location at a time. Passed. Don A. abstained, Jim P. opposed. Lee S. moved and Don A. seconded a motion to move out of session as the Liquor Control Board and resume the regular meeting. Passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Don A. moved and Lee S. seconded a motion to approve the 2/5/01 meeting minutes as written. Don A. inquired whether there was any further news regarding NCAL. Julia C. indicated there was no new information. Passed. The Board discussed LRSWMD further. The Board supports keeping the transfer station in Town but opposes paying for a site. Mike Morrow indicated he would keep the site opened beyond the 3/17/01 district deadline in good faith of Board support moving forward in the local permit process. Lee S. indicated he contacted Gordon Lewia regarding use of the Rescue building for decontamination purposes. Gordon will coordinate the effort between Copley, Rescue and the Town.

PAYROLL/WARRANTS:

Lee S. moved and Jim P. seconded a motion to approve payroll ending 2/10/01 in the amount of $25,269.69. Passed. Jim P. moved and Don A. seconded a motion to approve Warrant #00-62 in the amount of $25,958.34 and Warrant #00-63 in the amount of $23,951.40. Passed.

WATER & LIGHT:

Scott reported that they have been pursuing a municipal charter change with regard to telecommunications in the legislature. Steve L. inquired why the redraft of the Village