

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MAY 11, 2015

MEMORIAL BUILDING

7:00 P.M.

Selectmen present: Chairman, Don Hill; Leigh Callaway and George McCusker.

Others present: Mike Lawlor.

There were no scheduled appointments.

Opening bids for painting Historical Museum.

Lake Sunapee Painting \$6900.00; Revered Painting \$6400.00; William Huntoon \$3875.00.

Motion by Leigh to award the bid to the lowest bidder, in accordance with the scope of work and the signed contract. Motion seconded by George, and unanimously approved.

Concerns were noted the roofs over the entry doors at the fire/highway have not been repaired. The material is no longer covered in snow. Don stated the painting contract has been affixed with a signature promising that the work will be completed no later than August 28, 2015. Leigh will e-mail Revered and Lake Sunapee Painting with the results.

Minutes of April 27, 2015: Motion by Leigh to accept with changes (see attached). Motion seconded by George and unanimously approved.

Leigh reported he and Don met Bill Brobst from FW Webb on Friday. He measured the building and will pull together information to establish requirements for an RFP.

Unfinished business:

Leigh reported he has no schedule from CCS about the computer network upgrades; no further information about the status of storage or the roof overhangs on the garage.

He e-mailed an RFP to three people for the front steps. Bids are due on the 25th. The library steps are also in need of repair. The Board will wait until the bids for the town office steps are reviewed.

Leigh will meet with Charlie Hirshberg from CLD Engineering regarding the land use study. There was no interest from the other two engineers he contacted.

The new ladders for the rafts have been purchased.

Highway shed electrical wiring – Don sent details to Royal Electric and Jim Dewkett.

Leigh reported he has contacted Pete Mauer to redo the sign in front of the town office. Pete gave him a price of \$98.00 to make the new signs for the beach. Leigh authorized him to go ahead and do the work. Leigh will repair the sign on the meeting house. He will ask the highway crew to help him take it down.

George questioned what the hold-up was on the gaskets of the fire department doors. Don will remind Pete Abair to contact the company.

Leigh reported the space needs committee met on April 28 and discussed closets/shelves in the meeting room. Jeff and Pixie were going to take some measurements. Jeff has contacted Ingrid Nichols from the Banwell Architectural Firm in Lebanon to see if she has some suggestions for storage/improvements.

DES Water source report: Des is requiring a source sample tap be installed between the well and the check valve of the water tank. Mason has been contacted and will do the installation this week. Mason has also suggested an in-line water filter to remove grit and minerals that build up in the fixtures. The Board approved an in-line filter.

Library Update: The library has been pursuing some reorganizational changes that are coming along well. The changes look great.

Don reported he and Ken Jacques followed up with assessor, George Hildum, regarding the Selectmen's support of the Planning Board's recommendations to revise the TLV golf course property back to one lot. The property was never subdivided but was designated as two separate lots with the road separating them when a revaluation was done by the State DRA back in 1998. There is no reason for it to be two. Don noted the legislature has given a very small window of opportunity for the Selectmen to correct these types of issues, which will expire in 2016. Otherwise, all authority regarding lots and subdivision rests with the Planning Board and the Selectmen will have no authority in the future.

Don reported the "Dead-End Road" sign on Nichols Hill still needs to be moved further back on the paved road. The sign is at the Chiarella's driveway and last winter a tractor trailer started down the road and it was too late to turn around once they got to the sign.

The Contract for Sansoucy Associates to perform the utility revaluation was approved.

Request from the Garden Club for permission for the highway department to pick up and deliver a load of mulch. The Garden Club is willing to purchase the mulch. George stated the Garden Club should not have to pay for mulch, they are volunteers that work hard and their money should be used for flowers and such. George moved to approve the purchase of mulch and have the highway department pick up and deliver. The motion was seconded by Leigh and unanimously approved. The Garden Club should coordinate with Pete Abair.

Don reported he had received an e-mail from a resident who had been contacted about becoming a town representative to the Lake Sunapee Protective Association. The Board agreed they would like to have input from the Conservation Commission. George noted he attends many of the meetings and workshops LSPA hosts, and would be interested in serving. Don noted that this person is also involved with the KLPA.

Projects list: Don thanked Leigh for going over the project list in detail. The Board agreed to touch on the issues of the project list at the first meeting of each month. If time does not permit, then it will be tabled to the following meeting.

Board and Department Updates:

George stated the Conservation Commission is still waiting to hear about logging the Kinsley Lot.

As per the Conservation Commission's request, the Selectmen approved and appointed Marla Binzel as a member, and Cynthia Bruss as an Alternate.

George reported that clean-up day went well. The ZBA did not meet this month.

The Cemetery Commission is having a meeting tomorrow night. Suggestion has been made to appoint Rick Corbett to fill the term vacated by Tim Hayes. Don stated the Board is saddened that Tim has had to step down due to non-residency, but is happy to support and appoint Rick Corbett.

A purchase order for culverts for the highway department was signed. The culverts have already been received.

Building permits:

Cynthia Hayes Trust on Deer Hill Road for a photovoltaic solar array. – approved.

Richard Brunelle on Main Street – (after the fact) for a 30 x 12 shed – approved.

Don noted that he sent an e-mail to Mr. Tedeschi on Oak Hill Road thanking him for his interest in Oak Hill Road issues, and the Board would be in touch. Leigh noted that a long-time resident on Messer Hill told him that the road has "never looked better". It was noted that the Road Agent has been made aware of the concerns.

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday the next Selectmen's meeting will be Tuesday, May 26, 2015 @ 7:00.

At 8:20 p.m. the Board voted to enter into non-public session, per RSA 91-A: IIc.

At 8:32 the Board voted to seal the non-public minutes; enter back into public session; and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,
Janet Roberts,
Administrative Assistant

Corrected minutes of April 27, 2015 are attached.

Corrections to April 27, 2015 Selectmen's Minutes.

Twin Lake Villa: Ken Jacques brought before the planning board that there is a lot that supposedly became 2 lots at some point when this occurred no one knows. by the State in 1998. Don contacted the NH Municipal Association to find out what the Select board could do to rectify this issue. He was told that as a Board they could direct the Assessor to return the status of the property to show it as one lot. Leigh moved to direct George Hildum, the assessor to return the lots to one lot. as directed by the NH Municipal Association. George seconded the motion which then unanimously passed.

White Truck: Don began discussion by asking what effect purchasing a new truck now would have on the CIP. The CIP has the highway department buying a new truck next year. A new truck will run around 175K over the course of 5 years at about 34K per year, while purchasing a used truck would be somewhere between 21K and 40K. Buying a new truck is not the preferred route as one will not be ready by winter, spending time this summer looking for a quality used truck would be a better alternative. The other option would be to spend the estimated 10K to fix the white truck with no guarantee something else won't go wrong soon afterwards. The Board is concerned with spending that amount of money on the truck. Board agreed to allow the road agent to look for a replacement truck and get back to them.

Property Liability Trust: Town must start looking for a company to use for insurance as they will no longer offering coverage after 2016.

Eversource Pole attachments: Eversource is requiring a yearly signed agreement between them and any entity that wishes to attach items to their poles (ie. Flag pole brackets). The town has 20 brackets that are used over Memorial Day weekend and 12 for other holidays. Leigh will be taking care of the agreement submittal.

Ambulance: New London Hospital is exploring an option to offset the loss of Newport backup ambulance. No decisions have been made. The fee may be increasing \$11,908 for 2016. The ambulance services 9 towns and had 7 response runs to Springfield during the 2014 year. The fire chief is actively involved along with the other towns.

Heating Conversion: The town office building heating conversion from oil heat to propane. Board feels it would be beneficial to have an energy audit of the building to show if the current zones are adequate. Todd Fleury's name came up as someone who might know of an individual to have look at the building.

Front Office Steps: At a prior meeting it was decided that the steps would be replaced with granite. The choice of granite was made because of the traditional and attractive look of granite. The Board was questioned if they considered having steel treads put on them which would extend out the life of them. They appreciated the less expensive costs but feel that since there have already been numerous attempts to save money with other options they have decided it was time to fix the problem permanently.

Electrical Update at Fire Station: Don showed the Board a sketch of the fire station meeting room and bay showing where the new circuits should be placed, 4 in the meeting room under the long wall of windows and 4 in the bays one between each sliding door and one on the far end of the room. These

would all be 20 amp circuits. The question of whether or not the ball field should have a 20 amp circuit installed as well and if so what would the cost be. This would require new wire being pulled through the conduit. Royal Electric and JLD Electric would two companies to consider using for the upgrading.

Signs outside Town Office Building: Leigh talked with Peter Maurer from Sunapee about refurbishing the signs located in front of the Town Office building as well as ~~the signs at the beach~~ a new sign at the beach reading "Springfield Families Only" and "No Smoking".

Signatures:

Building Permits:

Mark Brunelle – approved

Second permit submitted due to prior not having correct measurements

Sara Gilbert – approved

George reminded Tom Duling that when he runs into permits that may have wetlands to contact one of the selectmen to act as a course filter as requested by the planning board.

Purchase order for ladders on the rafts.

Don requested the meeting move to non-public session at 8:50pm

Meeting returned from non-public session at 9:00pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara Butcher