

SELECTBOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
January 19, 2015

Present: Jim Ameden, Steve Prouty, Paul Gordon, Cathy Aragi, Bob Cowles, Kevin Beattie, Esther Fishman

Meeting called to order at 6:23 PM.

**Additions and deletions to the agenda-** A motion was made and unanimously passed to add the Champion fire truck purchase to the agenda under Old Business.

**Pay orders** were signed.

**Announcements and correspondence-** None

### **Roads and Bridges-**

**SoLo Parking situation-** The owners have been working to keep their customers from parking along Middletown Road. There was discussion of the problem, and some possible solutions. The board will ask them to come to the first meeting in February to discuss better solutions.

**Garage acoustical panels-** Duane is working on a grant for these through a VLCT safety grant.

### **Transfer Station-**

**Backhoe thumb-** Steve has located a thumb on Craig's List for \$1500, which is less than half the cost of a new one. The owner wants cash only, which the Town is unable to do. Steve offered to pay cash for it and get reimbursed from the Town. A motion was made and unanimously passed to make the purchase, and the board signed a pay order for it.

**Part time employee-** We have an application for another part time employee who would work Sundays to do the recycling. The board will do an interview at 6:30 PM on 1/26 and Esther will attend. Esther will contact the applicant and will check references.

### **Old business-**

**Watermill Real Estate property-** Foreclosure proceedings have been initiated on this property and the Selectboard would like to investigate whether this is an opportunity for the Town to acquire the property. A motion was made and unanimously passed to have Kevin gather further information.

**Fire truck Article-** The wording for the Champion fire truck purchase was discussed again. After discussion, the wording remains:

***Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$400,000 toward the purchase of a Class A pumper by Champion Fire Company #5, Inc.*

**New business-** None

**Meeting adjourned at 8:15.**