

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 20, 2015

Present: Jim Ameden, Steve Prouty, Cathy Aragi, Wayne Blanchard, Kevin Beattie, Duane Hart, GNAT TV, Tina Labeau, Dick Dale

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

Additions and deletions to the agenda- A motion was made and unanimously passed to add a discussion of employee evaluations to new business, and executive session at the end of the meeting for employee matters.

Correspondence- The following correspondence was passed around: Property Tax Appeals workshop announcement, notice of AOT bridge #27 painting, Weston Island Logging materials price list, letter from the Zoning Administrator to Joseph Ouellet, letter regarding the VTel tower project.

Pay orders- Pay orders were signed.

Visitors and Concerned Citizens

Dick Dale for the Planning Commission- Dick reported that the After the Flood Committee and the Planning Commission will host an informational meeting next Monday, 4/27 at 5:30 PM, at the Town Office, to present proposed plans for future use of the FEMA buyout properties that the Town has acquired. A grant has been approved for implementation of the plans when they are finalized.

Minutes- A motion was made and unanimously passed to approve the 4/6 minutes.

Roads and bridges-

Overweight Permits- Permits were approved and signed for Carlton Trucking and GW Tatro. Applications were tabled for Crandall Logging and Cardinal Logistics until insurance certificates are received.

High Risk Rural Roads Program- Middletown Road has been selected for this VTrans program to study hazardous conditions on the road, make recommendations, and pay for recommended changes or improvements. The Town would not be obligated to follow through with all the recommendations. A motion was made and unanimously passed to sign up for the program.

Miscellaneous- Maureen Cronin asked about the town highway trucks being parked at various locations on Greenup Day, as is usually done; Londonderry is hosting a flagger class tomorrow at the garage; Duane and Steve are attending a Safe Routes to School

meeting at Flood Brook on Wednesday; the sand sheds are full, ready for next year; discussion of the Drug and Alcohol Policy for CDL drivers.

Transfer Station- The board discussed creating a policy for accepting material without charge from nonprofits.

Liquor Board- None

Old business-

Fire truck financing- Tina obtained a quote from “Tax Exempt Leasing Corporation” to finance the truck at 2.68%. Kansas State Bank, the company that quoted through Smeal, is at 2.75%. The lower rate would amount to about a \$5500 savings in financing costs over the course of the 5 year financing. A motion was made and unanimously passed to contact Kansas State Bank and see if they could match the lower interest rate.

New Business-

Local Emergency Operations Plan- A motion was made and unanimously passed to sign the 2015 LEOP and Delegations of Authority for the fire chiefs of Champion and Pheonix fire companies.

Beautification Committee expenditures- The board verified that the expenditure for flowers for the flower boxes needs to be done in conformance with the Town’s purchasing policy.

Phone system- Tina reported that we have obtained a quote of \$3998.50 for a new phone system for the Town Office. This was the only quote received so we need to obtain other quotes.

Employee evaluations- Annual evaluations are due this spring. The board decided to schedule them on Monday, May 11th. Cathy will contact Keith and Steve at the Transfer Station.

At 8:10, a motion was made and unanimously passed to go into executive session for employee matters.

Came out of executive session and adjourned at 8:40.