

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 19, 2014

Present: Jim Ameden, Steve Prouty, Paul Gordon, Cathy Aragi, Bob Cowles, Kevin Beattie, Duane Hart, Sharon Crossman, Kelly Pajala, Steve Twitchell, Esther Fishman, Keith Barton, Claire Trask, Bob Trask

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

Pay orders- Pay orders were signed

Announcements- Paul Gordon announced he has emailed to the Selectboard drafts of an Appropriations Form and Administrator Job Description, to be discussed at the next meeting.

Playground build at Pingree Park- Friday through Sunday May 30 to June 1.

Visitors and Concerned Citizens-

Parks Board- An application and fee has been sent to Green Mountain Power for getting power into Pingree Park.

Village Center Designation- The maps have been finalized that depict the proposed boundaries of the Village Centers. Sharon asked the Selectboard to sign an authorization for the Planning Commission to submit the application. A motion was made and unanimously passed to move forward with the application process and to sign the authorization. Sharon will forward digital copies of the maps.

After the Flood Planning- Sharon reminded the board that the Task Force would be attending the 6/2 Selectboard meeting to present results of planning efforts so far.

Minutes of the May 5 meeting were approved and signed.

Transfer Station items-

Consideration of Sunday opening- This discussion was briefly started at the last meeting and Esther and Keith were asked to come to this meeting and discuss the merits and drawbacks of various options. Esther, Keith, and Steve all gave input and opinions.

Issues and concerns to be addressed related to being open on Sunday:

- Staffing
- Rolloff pickup schedule. Compactor could become full if open Sundays.
- Should the compactor be open for trash without recycling being open?
- Should commercial haulers be allowed on Sundays?

Options:

- Open on Sunday and close one other weekday (Tuesday or Thursday)
- Open part or all day Sunday with part time staff.

Esther will work some numbers on various options regarding the cost of being open on Sundays. The board will continue to look at options and no decisions were made at this meeting.

Cutting edge for the tractor- Keith will check to see if it's within the budget.

Roads and bridges-

Certificate of Compliance for Road and Bridge Standards- A motion was made and unanimously passed for the board to sign this document.

Bridge Inspection Reports- A motion was made and unanimously passed to sign the form acknowledging receipt of the 2013 inspection reports.

Overweight permit- An application from Merrill's Excavating Inc. was tabled due to lack of an insurance certificate.

Monet's Road- Duane brought up that the board might want to consider throwing up this Class 4 road. There is a town bridge on this road which currently is removed. According to statute the Town is required to maintain bridges and culverts on Class 4 roads. No action was taken at this meeting.

Williams Street- Steve and Duane have been working on establishing the right of way limits for this road prior to doing some work. The board agreed that the actual right of way limits should be researched and established. No other action was taken.

Beattie Road- There have been some complaints about the stone that was put on the road during mud season. That stone will be covered with crushed gravel soon.

Liquor Board- An application for the Swiss Inn was approved and signed. This application was submitted on time but was misplaced. The situation has been rectified.

Old business-

Media policy- The board generally felt that the document should be guidelines rather than policy. A motion was made and unanimously passed to approve the document as a guideline rather than policy, with all references to "policy" within the document changed to "guideline".

New business-

Wedding request at Memorial Park- The board agreed to pass this request along to the Memorial Park Board. No other action was taken.

Stump dump on Coburn land- Bart Coburn informed a board member that he has a stump dump permitted with the state. It is not known whether he has a local permit. Kevin will inquire with Paul Dexter as to whether a permit is on file.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.