

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 3, 2014

Present: Jim Ameden, Steve Prouty, Paul Gordon, Peter Pagnucco, Bob Cowles, Kevin Beattie, GNAT TV, Duane Hart, Kelly Pajala, Keith Barton, Jim Wilbur

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM.

Went into executive session at 6:30 to meet with Keith about Transfer Station issues.

Came out of executive session at 6:46. A motion was made and passed to recess the selectboard meeting for a BCA meeting at this time.

Reconvened the selectboard meeting at 7:05.

Pay orders were signed.

Announcements- Town Meeting starts at 9:30.

The new town website will be coming online tomorrow.

Visitors and Concerned Citizens-

Jim Wilbur- Treasurer items- There are some changes necessary to correct some mistakes in the Financial Report in the Town Report. We have printed corrected copies and will distribute them at Town Meeting. Jim will explain the changes at Town Meeting before Article 2 is voted on.

Kelly- Town Clerk items- Kelly picked up a copy of Robert's Rules today to have on hand tomorrow. Kevin printed copies of the Moderator's Handbook for reference.

Minutes of the February 24th meeting were approved and signed.

Roads and bridges-

Overweight permits- Applications from Crandall Logging, Williams Construction, and Chaves Excavating were tabled pending receiving insurance certificates.

Salt usage- Duane sent the board a summary of historical salt usage back to the winter of '01/'02. Annual usage has ranged from 705 to 1226 tons. Year to date for this year is 965 tons.

There is a general salt shortage and we may have to conserve salt through the end of the season. Our sand supply is good.

Transfer Station items-

No business other than the earlier discussion with Keith.

Liquor Board- None.

Old business-

Septage field- Steve has been in touch with Corey Stoddard about settling up accounts.

New business-

Radio purchases- A motion was made and unanimously passed to purchase two portable radios for use by the road crew and Road Commissioner, at an approximate cost of \$1100.

Demolition bids- The selectboard opened bids for demolition of one of the HMGP buyout properties, 2550 Rte. 11. The bids were:
TAM, Inc. - \$14,650
Chaves Excavating- \$24,400
Gurney Bros.- \$38,750

Kevin mentioned that TAM has completed buyout demolitions in Readsboro and Wilmington, so has experience. A motion was made and unanimously passed to accept the bid and award the contract to TAM, Inc.

Parking along Middletown Road during Town Meeting- The town will post the road as one lane open for the time period of the meeting.

Lowell Lake Road culvert project- Kevin gave the board an update on the status of the project. There will be a public information meeting on the project some time this spring. There was discussion of improvements to Mtn. Lake Road to accommodate traffic during the project. No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00.