

## **Selectmen's Meeting – April 18, 2007**

Present were Selectmen Bruce L. Tatro, Nancy L. Carlson and Deborah J. Davis. Also present was Town Administrator Elizabeth Fox.

Chairman Tatro called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**Financial Matters.** Selectmen reviewed and approved weekly accounts payable and payroll manifests.

**School District Budget Committee Nominees.** Selectmen met with nominees Richard Bauries and Stephen Russell who reviewed why they wished to represent the town on district's budget committee, their priorities relative to the committee's work and their strengths.

**Department of Public Works.** Selectmen met with DPW Director Lee Dunham who reported that the town had little flooding damage resulting from the weekend storm. Concern about the stability of a Webber Hill Road will be investigated the end of the week by a state soils engineer. Dams did not experience any real problems from the excessive rain.

**Cemeteries and Parks Maintenance.** Selectmen met with Francis Faulkner who demonstrated the software acquired in December to track burial and other related records. He reported that a tree in Mt. Caesar Cemetery lost a large leader, damaged stones and now requires removal. Whether a lot might be eligible for re-sale was discussed with Selectmen requesting he check with the children of the lot holder before taking any action to re-issue the lot. A list of equipment deemed by the department to be surplus was reviewed. Selectmen authorized sale of items deemed surplus excluding the 2 Bolens tractors (& mowers) which will be traded for a new Exmark mower. A list of the equipment is included as Attachment #1.

**Grounds Maintenance Worker Position Description.** Selectmen voted to approve a position description for the temporary full time employee – Attachment #2.

**Non-public session – RSA 91-A:3IIe.** Selectmen voted by roll call to go into non-public session at 7:50 p.m. Selectmen came out of non-public session at 7:55 p.m.

**Non-public session – RSA 91-A:3IIb, Hiring DPW.** Selectmen voted unanimously by roll call to go into non-public session at 7:56 p.m. Selectmen came out of non-public session at 8:00 p.m. voting by roll call to seal the minutes of the session until Selectmen voted to seal the minutes of the session until the offer of employment is affirmed.

**Fire Department.** Selectmen met with Captains Symonds, Bell and Page who advised that 43R1 is still being repaired. The JAWS have been placed on Engine 2 and the Yukon is being used for response to smaller medical calls. The captains reported they had met with a Pierce representative and were meeting with another manufacturer to look at truck specifications. Funding that might be available for a new truck was discussed with

Selectmen determining they needed to update the CIP for trucks before advising what funds might be available. Captains asked Selectmen seek return of a town radio installed in the former fire chief's private vehicle. Action on the additional estimate requested for repairs to the reel truck is still pending. Selectmen requested an activity report from the department providing information regarding calls. Establishing a fuel source for the generator at Town Hall/Fire Station is still pending.

**Southwestern Community Services.** Selectmen met with Keith Thibault who reviewed with the board a plan to place senior housing on a parcel south of Nick's Restaurant off of Route 10. Housing proposed would be age-restricted and could be as many as 38 units. Units would also be subsidized. Possible impacts and benefits to the town were discussed. Thibault requests Selectmen consider extending a letter of support for the project. Board members advised they would consider the matter.

**MRSD Budget Committee.** Selectmen discussed the candidate's to date testimony deciding to extend the period for submission of nominations.

**Approval of Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting of April 4, 2007.** Selectmen approved as written the minutes of their meeting of April 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Motorcycle Flea Market.** Selectmen reviewed the estimated attendance number included by the applicant deciding to increase it to 5,000 and invoice the permit fee based on that attendance estimate.

**Geo-caching.** Selectmen approved placement of a geo-cache at the Historical Museum subject to the approval of museum curators and the Police Chief.

**Correspondence, Permits and Other matters.** Selectmen reviewed and approved the following:

- Letter to Cushman re: past due property taxes.
- Event Permits #2007-7 & 8.
- Raffle Permit #2007-2.
- Timber Tax Warrant \$1116.51.
- Excavation Tax Warrant \$2,539.30.
- Intent to Cut Tax Map 66 Lot 7.
- Intent to Excavate Tax Map 24 Lot 58.
- License to Sell Pistols & Revolvers – Racine.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Submitted by,

Elizabeth A. Fox, Town Administrator