

Selectmen's Meeting – May 9, 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 6:07 p.m.

Financial Matters. Selectmen reviewed and approved accounts payable and payroll manifest.

Non-public session – RSA 91-A:3IIb, Recruitment. Selectmen voted unanimously by roll call to go into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:IIb at 6:16 p.m. Selectmen came out of non-public session at 6:35 p.m. voting by roll call to seal the minutes of the session indefinitely.

Police Department. Selectmen accepted with regret the resignation of Officer Cory Tommila effective May 16, 2007 extending their thanks to Officer Tommila for his service to the Town. Selectmen authorize Chief Busick to initiate a recruitment effort to fill the vacancy in the department created by Officer Tommila's resignation.

Open Space Committee. Selectmen considered correspondence from the Committee dated May 2, 2007 requesting the board support acquisition of a conservation easement to protect the 110 acre Johnson Farm. The board discussed the property and process required to be initiated pursuant to RSA 41:14-a requesting input from the Planning Board and Conservation Commission as required by statute. Correspondence from Town Counsel regarding use of town capital reserve funds to participate in acquisition of a conservation easement was reviewed.

Mt. Caesar Cemetery. Selectmen discussed a request to conduct a small wedding ceremony in the cemetery on Sunday, May 20th. Selectmen consented to allowing the service with a guest list estimated at 35 provided no chairs or tents were set up to facilitate the ceremony.

Richardson Park. Selectmen discussed a request from Swanzey Lake property owner Pete Delaney to conduct a wedding ceremony at the park in early September. Selectmen consented to use of the park off season for the brief service provided no tents, chairs, parking or indoor facilities are required. Cost to extend the port-a-potty contract an additional week will be borne by the Delaney's.

SCS Senior Housing Proposal – Route 10. Selectmen discussed the project outlined several weeks ago by Keith Thibault declining to take a position on the proposal at this time.

Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Plan. Selectmen reviewed plans approved and proposed for vehicle replacement in the past determining it was prudent to table

consideration of adoption of a vehicle replacement plan until recruitment of a chief is completed and input can be sought from the new chief.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings. Selectmen approved as written the minutes of their meeting of May 2, 2007.

Grounds & Facilities Maintenance Supervisor Position Description. Selectmen voted to amend the position description approved on April 12, 2006 adopting an updated description – Attachment #1.

Department of Public Works – Road Projects. DPW Director Dunham discussed with the board plans to chip seal Eaton Road and Old Eaton Road as well as Warmac Road (initially scheduled for 2008). Cost to chip seal the 3 roads is estimated at \$66,000. Need to complete Base Hill Road's reconstruction adding top coat was discussed. Bid specifications for that work will be developed. Shim work is planned on Carlton Road and Cobble Hill Road. Bid specifications for that work will be developed as well. Reclamation of West Street, planned if bridge work is complete, will also require development of bid specifications.

FEMA Disaster Declaration. Dunham advised he attended a kick off meeting and was looking to FEMA for assistance through the hazard mitigation program with repair to the sagging road shoulder problem between Webber Hill and South Roads.

Carpenter Home. Selectmen met with DPW Director Lee Dunham and Cemetery and Parks Supervisor Francis Faulkner. Septic System Designer and Installer Mike Faulkner was also present. Dunham and Faulkner recommended the board modify the plans developed for the home's septic system utilizing a "Clean Solutions" style system which operates like a small treatment plant. A cost for this type of system which includes several chambered tanks, compressors and a smaller leaching field were discussed. Selectmen approved proceeding as recommended authorizing development of a cost to partner town forces with M. Faulkner to install the system. Re-design of the system will be required and be done by Faulkner.

Monadnock Regional School District Budget Committee. Selectmen met with Wayne Lechluder discussing his application for the position. Selectmen voted to nominate Mr. Lechluder to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Jane Fortson from the district's budget committee.

Monadnock Regional School District. Selectmen discussed their concern about the district and how its success is necessary for the future of the town. Selectmen asked staff to schedule a meeting with the town's representatives to the school board and budget committee in the near future to discuss the issues facing the district.

Pending Legislation. Selectmen requested staff prepare and execute a letter to the town's legislative delegation expressing the board's opposition to SB 88.

Swanzy Revenue Development District. Selectmen appointed Adrian Pinney as a member of the district's advisory board.

Correspondence, Permits and Other Matters. Selectmen reviewed and executed the following:

- Correspondence to K. Maher denying current use application submitted for Tax Map 23 Lot 1-2 based on advice of town counsel.
- Event Permit #2007-09.
- Current Use Forest Stewardship Application, Sanchez – Tax Map 86 Lot 7-1.
- Raffle Permit #2007-4.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted by,

Elizabeth A. Fox
Town Administrator