Board of Selectmen Workshop Minutes Newington Town Hall June 12, 2006

Chairman Jack O'Reilly called the Workshop to order at 6:00pm.

Present: Chairman O'Reilly, Selectman Jan Stuart, Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Beatrice Marconi-Town Administrative Assistant, Charlie Smart-Code Enforcement Officer, and at 6:45 Chuck (from Rainscape) and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Acton

Curtains – Auditorium – Town Hall

Charlie stated that the town needs to get a price on an extra curtain and/or track for the 2007 fiscal year if it is the Town's wishes to have a full curtain, rather than a ³/₄ track as we have now.

Encumbrance List

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the 2005 encumbrance list and spoke of Fox Point Road and the poor condition due to pot holes. The Board also mentioned the mowing and the large trucks on Fox Point. Selectman Iocovozzi stated that he was going to speak to the Farmer about the situation.

Striping & Paving

The Board felt Len Thomas, our Road Agent should get on the striping project now and get updated pricing. We should exempt from the striping the roads scheduled to be paved this year. Pike has not provided the town with new estimates as of yet.

Signage

The Board of Selectmen instructed Beatrice Marconi to get a price from New England Barricade on 'ADDITIONAL PARKING AT TOWN GARAGE' for the Grove area behind Old Town Hall due to the fact that lately, many cars are using that area and we don't want to damage the soonto-be-seeded area there.

Selectman Stuart asked Beatrice to check the Fox Point RSA Fire Arms sign to make sure it is siting the correct law.

Meeting House

Charlie suggested that a preservation architect be hired to analyze the work that needs to be done at the Meeting House. Kelly Davis should be contacted to put a plan together. Charlie will contact Kelly to give us an estimate for the plan as Charlie thought it might be upwards of \$ 5,000. Once a price comes in, the Board will take it under consideration.

Boarding of Stone School

The Board feels that the Stone School should be re-boarded up and they wondered if Rick could do it. It is part of the Federal Agreement.

Library

Rick was due to give a sketch, however Beatrice stated that the difference in design thoughts could make it difficult as he would need assistance and it would some time. Bea will put out an RFP and state in it that anyone bidding on the job to meet with HDC and Library reps to get their thoughts on design on what would be acceptable to both.

Rainscape Proposal

Chuck from Rainscape passed out a hand out. He gave an estimate of \$4465.00 which covers the 14 spickets with a new line being placed in the Cemetery. He stated that he would cut and place the line, put the dirt back in- but that does not cover any re-pavement if necessary. Charlie suggested that the pressure pump line size be double checked in the library. The pump would cost and additional \$1200.00 approximately.

Selectman Iocovozzi moved to have Chuck do the new poly and fix the spickets in the amount of \$4465.00 to provide water at the Cemetery. Motion also includes the cost for pumps in the amount of \$1200.00 if deemed necessary. *Selectman Stuart seconded* the motion. Roll call vote 3-0, *motion passed*.

Irrigation at Library and Meeting House

The Board decided to table this discussion due to the fact that it was not budgeted for and the Board of Selectmen wanted to see the pressure after the lines have been laid. Chuck will set up a three year contract and forward it to us for flushing. To set it up in the spring it will cost \$150.00 also. Chuck will arrange to also do the first spring set up with our staff observing.

Fox Point Lease-Mowing

The Board of Selectmen were under the impression that the Town's lawn mower had been fixed already, however the caretaker (Dennis Acton) informed the Board it still had flat tires and other issues. The Board asked that it be taken to Roland Bradeen for servicing.

Selectman Stuart spoke of people being on the property and how Dennis should contact the police instead of trying to get people off the property himself. Dennis stated that he can not watch the property 24 hours a day by himself and that people sometime sneak on. Dennis stated that they do walks constantly and that maybe sensors that indicate activity be set up on the land. When they go on vacation they have someone stay in the home to monitor the property. Dennis stated that he has made 10 to 12 calls to the police and personally ran people off the property. The police want Dennis to call them when trespassers are there but he has had residents complain when he has called. Selectman Stuart stated that the Actons only answer to the Board of Selectmen. Dennis added that night fishers come on and the police allow them to stay sometimes if they are residents. He said that the has had comments on nice grass cutting and care. Dennis says that the level of security was something that he was not totally aware of. He feels that technology could help out with that. After further discussion, it was decided for Dennis to call Police when necessary and to keep a log of activity. Dennis says that now he is aware and he will make adjustments accordingly.

Hart ADA-Estimates for women restroom

This discussion was tabled for now.

Bathroom Water Damage Repair

When Town Hall's roof is repaired, and brick work, we will then consider the bathroom repair costs to come out of Cap Res. Charlie is to re-write bid and get updated priceing.

Track Replacement in Auditorium for Room Dividers

This discussion was tabled for now as it was not budgeted for and used very seldom.

Coleman Culvert/Swale Project

Selectman Iocovozzi stated that he will try to get some one to bid the Culvert and Swale again but wasn't very hopeful as there was only one response earlier.

Hydro Tidal Project

Bea is to stay in touch with Upton and report back to Board on any new developments.

Town Hall on July 3

The Board of Selectmen decided that the building will be closed and if someone decides to take that day off that they will use a vacation day. There should be something put in the paper and a sign should be put in front of the door.

Memo to all Departments RE: Bids

Bea is to put out a memo indicating specs be forwarded when bids are needed but the Board would put bids out. Also, November 1 should be the approx deadline for 2007 budget requests for bldg projects.

Fire Dept Door Enlargement Project

Assistant Fire Chief Dennis Cote forwarded a new additional cost for wiring in the door enlargement project for the Fire Station which was missed by us all during its initial review. Selectman Iocovozzi moved to approve the extra costs of \$ 3,800 seconded by Selectman Stuart. Motion passed 3-0 to prevent delay of the job.

Septic Bid for Police Station

Selectman Iocovozzi will attempt to get an additional bid as we only had one response.

July 3rd Town Hall Closing

Town Hall will be closed on Monday July 3rd. Those taking the day off will take a vacation day or if one prefers to work, the front door will be locked. The Board of Selectmen's meeting schedule is tentively set for July 10 and 24th.

Engineering Plan - Highway

The Selectmen discussed the need for this at length. Selectman Iocovozzi felt to comply with the DES mandates, we should invest the money and have it done. Both salt issues, drainage and transfer station issues should be taken into consideration. Is there a need? Should/can it be located at the Transfer Station location? No action taken.

Office Re-Org at Town Hall

The Board of Selectmen asked Bea to see if Charlie could get us a price on the squaring off of the building adjacent to the current selectmen's office and the planning department before we switch the offices around.

Respectively Submitted,

Beatrice Marconi Administrative Assistant