

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 5, 2009
Town Hall 6:00pm

Chr. Iocovozzi called the meeting to order at 6:20pm.

Present: Chr. Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectmen Jan Stuart and Jack O'Reilly, Administrative Assistant Beatrice Marconi, and Wil Corcoran of Corcoran Assessing

Selectman O'Reilly moved to go into non public under RSA 91-A:3, II (e) Litigation. Selectman Stuart seconded and on a roll call vote, the motion passed 3-0.

Selectman O'Reilly moved to come out of non public at 6:39pm. Selectman Stuart seconded. Motion passed 3-0 on a roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Selectman O'Reilly moved to seal the minutes indefinitely. Selectman Stuart seconded. Motion passed on a roll call vote to seal 3-0. No votes taken

Present: The three Selectmen, the AA, the Building Inspector Charlie Smart and Ruth Fletcher Fire Engineer.

Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve the minutes of December 30, 2008. Selectman Stuart seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Funding for ComStar from Fire Dept Budget

Mrs. Fletcher felt that there was no benefit gained by the Fire Dept by funding this line for ComStar Ambulance billing as the income from such went to the general fund. She felt the Selectmen should fund this under their budget. Chr. Iocovozzi stated that a few years back the Engineers asked for funding of this line as in house ambulance billing is not only very time consuming, but difficult and in-depth. It is a fire department function so funding the operation of it must remain as is. Selectmen Stuart and O'Reilly echoed his thoughts stating that is no different than the Rec Committee funding the purchase of movie tickets and that revenue from sales goes into general fund and planning funding the costs for contractors, yet reimbursement goes into the general fund. The bottom line is, stated Ruth, is that she must look at all angles to save money and due to the budget limits set, she is very concerned.

Town Owned Land Grounds Care Bids

Three year bids came from Fabyan and Wade. They both bid \$12,400 for the Cemetery. Fabyan's bid for the town owned land came in at \$20,400. Wade was 18,400. The Selectmen exercised their right to pick the proposal they felt was in the best interest of the town based on history, being a resident and experience with *Selectman Stuart moving to approve Fabyan's bid for town land and cemetery maintenance for a three year contract. Selectman O'Reilly seconded. Motion passed on a roll call vote 3-0*

Selectman O'Reilly added that although it was not the intent to bid out Fox Point mowing at this time, if and when the mower breaks, the Town will have a good idea of how much to consider as a rent adjustment for ceasing to mow by the care takers.

A plant and shrub maintenance plan should be budgeted for in Grounds Care in the amount of \$3,000. Many growths are too close to the buildings causing moisture problems and eventually should be moved. The Board suggested Conservation get involved.

Police Garage Site Work Contract Amendment

Selectman O'Reilly moved to amend approval of Hartmann Enterprises proposal for site work for the Police Garage not to exceed \$ 34,276. Selectman Stuart seconded amendment. Amendment passed 3-0. Motion passed 3-0.

Town Facilities Use Approval

Census Bureau – T H DeRochmont Room – Jan 9, 16, 23, 30 for testing – 9:til 11:00

Selectman O'Reilly moved to approve providing those dates don't interfere with the visiting nurse. Selectman Stuart seconded and added that they should be reminded to leave room clear of debris and be gone by 4:00pm due to the building closing at 4:30. Motion passed 3-0.

New Business

Selectman Stuart was disappointed to see that a commercial entity was listed on our Website. She also wanted the Board to know that minutes from the Conservation Commission and Fire Board of Engineers were not timely posted. A letter will go to the Web Master and those two Commissions.

Fire Station Generator

Charlie Smart brought the Selectmen up to date as far as latest news on the condition of the generator. The leased one was picked up today and the repaired one hooked up and is running. Nado is getting an updated price after meeting at the Fire Station to determine the building's power need. He is also reporting back on the adequacy of the existing pad and getting a price if we need a new one.

Septic Pumping (both tanks) at the Fire Station

The Selectmen asked the Administrative Assistant to call the Chief to make sure that Mortgridge is on a schedule to pump the new systems out and that he is aware of the changes built last year.

Texas Road House Escrow

The AA mentioned to the Selectmen that the Treasurer was asking if they had any objections to closing the Texas Road House Escrow if they had met the criteria set by the Planning Board. The Board had no objections.

Bonding the New Garage

The Selectmen will have a better idea of whether to bond and move forward with the new Town Garage once Altus makes their presentation on the 12th of January. Either way, we will need a warrant article either to bond or to add to the building of that Capital Reserve.

Fire Department Assessment Study

The AA asked the Board how they felt about an assessment study of the Fire Dept which would include operations, personnel and equipment. The Board stated they would not support it but if the Fire Dept wanted one, they would have to pay for it.

Selectman O'Reilly moved to adjourn at 8:00pm. Selectman Stuart seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectively Submitted

Beatrice Marconi - Administrative Assistant