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Minutes of the January 22, 2013 Select Board Meeting

Present: Peter Hood, Mary Alexander, Mary Just Skinner, Matt Dwire, Cindy Carlson, Karol Smith, Dave Shepard, Claire Jiroux-Williams, Jeannette Westover, Herschell Murry, Pat Allen

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm

Karol Smith, Hirschel Murray, Jeannette Westover, Pat Allen – Waterbury Area Senior Center

Karol provides a summary of their service to the towns in their service area. Meals are delivered to 25 Middlesex residents. The cost to deliver a meal is \$7.40 per meal including mileage for drivers. The Senior Center asks for \$4.00 in donation for meals and receives an average of \$1.24. Middlesex residents have been asked to deliver meals, but those contacted have only wanted to deliver one day a week or one day a month. Meals are delivered 5 times a week to their participants. The Senior Center has sent fund raising letters and holds fund raising events. They have been seeking a resident of each community to serve on their Board. The submitted funding request asks the Board to include the \$10,000 in the Town Budget. The funding request will be a special article.

Claire Jiroux-Williams, Relay for Life – American Cancer Society

There are 14 relays held throughout Vermont. The Cancer Society would like to add another relay. Rumney School has been looked at as a potential location. Claire asks permission to hold an event on either June 1 or June 7, 2013. Claire has talked to Adam Rosen, Rumney Principal. Claire is advised that she needs permission from both the Rumney School Board and from the Town to use the school facilities and the Town Recreation Field. A certificate of insurance and a contract will be required from the American Cancer Society.

Motion: Mary Alexander moves to accept the Relay for Life's request to hold a relay at the Town Recreation Field in June 2013. Mary Just Skinner seconds, motion carries.

Motion: Mary Just Skinner moves to include a special article to request \$5,000 for the Conservation Fund in the Town Meeting Warning. Matt seconds, motion carries.

Motion: Mary Just Skinner moves to change the time to start Town Meeting from 4:15 to 4:30. Mary Alexander seconds, motion carries.

Dave Shepard, Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission has been approached by the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board concerning development rights, conservation restrictions, and a public access easement for the property on Three Mile Bridge Road the town will be acquiring through the Hazard Mitigation Buy-Out Program. If the Town enters into an agreement with the Housing Conservation Board there would be easements and a management plan would need to be in place. The Board would like further information before making a decision. The Conservation Commission is willing to assist if the Town enters into an easement agreement. Dave reports that there will be some invasive plant control and river access work done in 2013 at the Fire Station.

The Board discusses using the fire station #2 as storage for town equipment. Paul is discussing this with the Fire Department.

The Select Board Report for the Town Report is reviewed and finalized.

The Equipment Note from Merchants Bank in the amount of \$21,000 to finance the 2008 Excavator is signed.

Correspondence from Sandy Bettis concerning roadside cutting on Brook Road to Steve Martin, Road Commissioner and Paul Cerminara, Road Foreman is reviewed.

The Board discusses a replacement schedule for the 2008 Kobelco Excavator and decides to use 10 years as an estimate for purposes of Capital Equipment Plan.

The Board discusses e-mail correspondence from Geraldine Vatan inquiring about a road sign for Portal Road. It is on the down curve on Portal Road and she is requesting a road sign.

Motion: Mary Alexander moves to approve the request to install a "slow sharp curve" road sign on Portal Road. Matt seconds. Motion carries.

Motion: Matt moves approval of the "cattle crossing signs" at the intersection of Brook Road and Center Road. Mary just Skinner seconds, motion carries.

Motion: Mary Alexander moves the minutes of 1/8/13. Mary Just Skinner seconds, motion carries.

Cindy has been advised by Vermont League of Cities and Towns that the Town should adopt a Fire Department Invoicing Ordinance. Sample ordinances from the Putney and Wilmington Fire Departments were acquired from Vermont League of Cities and Towns for the Board to review. There will be further discussion a future meeting regarding adopting an ordinance.

Correspondence

The 2013 Annual Report from the Division of Property Valuation and Review

Meeting adjourns at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Carlson
Select Board Assistant