

Minutes from the May 14, 2013, meeting of the Middlesex Select Board.

Present: Mary Just Skinner (Acting Chair), Select Board Members Bill Callnan and Steve Martin, as well as Select Board Assistant, Sarah Merriman and Treasurer Cindy Carlson.

Mary called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., a change from the usual starting time of 5 p.m. This was warned and posted in three public places around town on Thursday, May 9, 2013.

Cindy told the board that she had hired Patti Lewis as Assistant Treasurer to work approximately 10 to 15 hours per week at a pay rate of \$20/hour.

Sarah updated the board on the proposed FEMA buyout of the flooded 191 and 195 Three Mile Bridge Road properties. Once the Town closes on the two parcels in June, we will have to hire a state-approved asbestos/lead contractor to assess if the properties contain either material. Then, an RFP must be written, approved by the Select Board and published so contractors can bid on demolishing the properties per FEMA's standards.

Bill moved that Select Board Chair Peter Hood be granted full authority to act as representative for the Board on the buyout and sign all pertinent documents to expedite the process, provided that meets with the approval of FEMA and the State of Vermont. Steve seconded it. The motion passed.

Sarah also told the Board that the pipe leading to the Town Hall septic system showed no sign of corrosion during a camera viewing by Hartigan. Therefore, it will not have to be replaced.

Mary asked for an update on the Green-Up Day grant for up to \$500 provided by the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District. Sarah said she has received some receipts from Casella Waste Disposal for dumping Green-Up Day trash and will submit them to the CVSWMD when she gets others.

In addition, Sarah said, the Town is in the process of implementing the first phase of another \$3,000 CVSWMD grant to remove approximately 800-1,000 tires leftover from the old service station on Route 2. As soon as Road Foreman Paul Cerminara dedicates a crew to dig up the old tires, PDS will haul them away for \$110/ton which should leave about \$250-\$350 in the grant to reimburse the town for its work.

Mary asked why we were still spending \$20 a month to provide power to the old fire station behind Town Hall. Cindy said it was being used for storage by the Town and a local church.

Sarah apprised the Board that a car hit a Town grader earlier in the day, but that no one was injured, the grader was undamaged and the car was drivable. She reported the accident to our insurance provider Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

All orders were signed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Merriman
Assistant to the Middlesex Select Board