

Town Of New Haven Selectboard Meeting
7:00pm
Tuesday, April 7, 2009
Town Offices

Present: Keith Hall, Roger Boise, Pat Paquette, Pam Marsh, Kathleen Ready & Pam Kingman

Visitors: Barb Torian, Julie Olson, Dave Heisler, Chris Wilson, Claire Van Buren, Lowell Nottingham, Wayne Marcelle, Kim Callahan, Andrew Peterson, Linda Sleeper, Kathy Barrett & Suzy Roorda

AGENDA RESULTS:

VISITORS BUSINESS:

1. **Julie Olson** – Representing Beeman Elementary School where she works as the Enrichment & Student Support Services Coordinator. She is working with the students on the production of “Alice in Wonderland” and would like permission to paint the back wall of the stage black for the play. Pam Marsh made a motion to approve painting the stage wall black. Seconded by Kathleen Ready. 5 yes / 0 no
2. **Andrew Peterson** – Would like to hold a **2 - 3 day music and arts festival** at the **Field Days** site in July and August. He has already spoken with the directors of Field Days and they suggested he come before the Selectboard. The events would be family friendly, possibly averaging between 5 – 10,000 people, which the site could handle. He has been in contact with Sheriff Coons in regards to a State Assemblage Permit; he is also working on traffic control, security and lodging. It was suggested he contact the nearest neighbors to give them a heads up and also follow the Towns noise ordinance. Mr. Peterson said he will leave his phone number should the Board have any questions.
3. **Claire Van Buren** – Shelving quotes for the new vault and desks for the new office building totaling \$21,000. This includes delivery and installation. Lowell Nottingham mentioned that to date the new Town Office/ Library building is currently \$50,000 under budget and there is also a \$100,000 in the Reserve Facilities Fund. Discussion on spending Bond money verses money in the Reserve Facilities Fund for these items. Pam Marsh made a motion to approve Claire Van Buren’s budget request, the money to come from the Reserve Facilities Fund. Seconded by Kathleen Ready. 5 yes / 0 no
4. **Dave Heisler – New Haven Fire Dept. Insurance:** Is currently insured by Gaines Insurance and Volunteer Fireman’s Insurance Services. In recent months Mr. Heisler has been in contact with the Vermont League of Cities and Towns to get comparisons. But is finding VLCT is dragging their feet. Mr. Heisler has found other Towns that hold VLCT insurance did not get fully reimbursed from the Saputo Cheese Factory fire last fall, but all who held insurance through Gaines and **VFIS** all received equipment worth the

- full value. The Insurance companies need to compare apples to apples. Dave Heisler said he is stepping down as Assistant Chief due to health issues. Keith Hall suggested the Fire Dept. get a list of requirements of what the Dept. needs then the Town can put their insurance out to bid. Keith Hall made a motion to go with Gaines Insurance for the remainder of 2009, then get a list of the Fire Dept.'s needs, and over the summer put it out to bid. Seconded by Roger Boise. 5 yes / 0 no
5. **Chris Wilson & Kim Callahan – Athletic Fields** are in bad shape. The Soccer Club tried to play on them last year and had several injuries. There are a lot of rocks and small holes, and it is a very hard. Discussion on ways to improve the fields and how to secure funds. Since it is School property, the Board feels the Schoolboard should be approached about the situation. Lowell Nottingham said there will be topsoil leftover from the construction of the new Town Offices / Library that is going to be donated towards the improvement of the ball fields. Naylor & Breen has agreed to bring in a machine to screen all of the soil prior to getting it spread on the field. Discussion on how the ball fields turned out after having them redone last year and how disappointed everyone is. Kim Callahan said she is starting to ask for donations for top soil but there is work to be done on the field prior to that. The Selectboard agreed there is no money available in the Towns budget this year to fix the ball field, but perhaps they could come back next fall with a plan.
6. **Lowell Nottingham – New Town Offices/Library:** Moisture content in the slab is down to 6; it needs to be at 3 to put the flooring down. He feels we may be able to move into the new space in early May.
Lowell Nottingham – The cost for a generator for the new building is \$11,561. Pat Paquette made a motion to approve the purchase of the generator for the new building, and look into grant funding for it. Seconded by Kathleen Ready. 5 yes / 0 no
Lowell Nottingham also said there is a need for phone numbers for the new building. There are sensors in the building that will automatically call the number to let someone know that there is an intruder, it is too hot, too cold or an emergency. The Selectboard will need to decide whose phone number it will be.
7. **Roger Boise** – Mentioned that the Soccer Club and Little League are looking at putting up a 8' x 16' storage building. The location is not yet known.
8. **Wayne Marcelle** – Attended the Pittsford Academy for Constable training last Friday. Wondered if he would get paid for the 9 hours he was there? The Selectboard agreed to pay him for his time. While at the training he learned that because the Town voted to take away his full authority, he can no longer write citations. He also found out that you can be a part time Constable, as long as you have a note from your doctor saying you are physically fit. He will still be required to take a 40 hour course at the Pittsford Academy. Discussion about the Sheriff writing citations as opposed to the Constable; Pam Marsh said she will talk to Sheriff Elwood.

Roger Boise said he would like to see a more detailed time card from Wayne Marcelle each week. Pam Marsh agreed that he has several different roles, and it would be nice to see a more time specific time card. Pam Kingman will work on making a larger time sheet for Wayne Marcelle to use.

9. **Suzy Roorda** – Wondered if anyone had heard from Tony Bosnich who works at the Job Corps in Vergennes, in regards to cutting the trees on the Village Green. Pat Paquette said if he sees Tony Bosnich he will remind him of what the Town would like to have done.

Suzy Roorda was also interested in looking into a wind turbine for the School, Town Hall and the new Town Office / Library building.

Suzy Roorda : Reminder of Green up Day is on Saturday, May 2, 2009.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. Payroll – Pat Paquette made a motion to approve payroll. Seconded by Pam Marsh. 5 yes / 0 no
2. Pay Orders – Pat Paquette made a motion to approve the pay orders. Seconded by Keith Hall. 5 yes / 0 no
3. Barb Torian – Said she had ordered a cash register online. Unfortunately the company went bankrupt and we lost the cash register and the money. She is currently looking into purchasing a cash register locally.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Open the bids for River Road resurfacing:** 1) **Pike Industries** bid for 2.8 miles, total bid at \$261,534.36. 2) **D & F Paving** bid for 2.8 miles, total bid at \$241,080.00. Roger Boise made a motion to accept D & F Paving with the exception of the \$4,018 correction.
2. Reconsider the mowing & maintenance **bids for the Riverside Cemetery** – Pam Marsh made a motion to accept George Crane's proposal to maintain Riverside Cemetery at \$2,000. Seconded by Kathleen Ready. 5 yes / 0 no
3. Sign off on the 2008 Grand List – This is done annually. Keith Hall made a motion to sign off to the 2008 Grand List. Seconded by Roger Boise. 5 yes / 0 no
4. Delphia Excavating RE: **Pearson Rd. Project** – Delphia's would like to start on April 15, 2009 weather permitting. The Road Commissioners realize now that it may coincide with the repair of the Rattlin Bridge and both projects cannot happen simultaneously. This would leave the Morse Family with no way out and no way for emergency vehicles to respond. So the Pearson Rd. repair will have to wait until the bridge is completed.
5. VLCT – Identity Theft Prevention Policy - The Board would like to take some time to look this over. No action taken at this time
6. Roadside Mowing – Put out to bid

7. Open bids for the Town Hall Gym Floor –

- \$41,025.00 -Timber View Building & Restoration
- 34,704.35 – Corey’s Hardwood Flooring
- \$30,142.94 - Sheldrick’s Hardwood Flooring
- \$39,793.35 – Creative Wood Floors & More
- \$51,827.00 – Taggart Bros., Inc.
- \$30,964.00 – Danaher Custom Services
- \$30,148.00 – Danaher Custom Services
- \$49,640.00 – Time Tuning Home Repair
- \$30,874.25 – Straight Up Construction, Inc.
- \$34,500.00 – Giguere Contracting, Inc.
- \$33,500.00 – Ebel Contracting, LLC
- \$30,600.00 – Georges Construction Co., Inc.
- \$38,500.00 – Little “A” Wood Floors
- \$27,860.00 – R.P.S. Construction
- \$29,572.00 – R.P.S. Construction
- \$44,712.70 – Hutchins Construction & Foundations, LLC
- \$43,470.00 – Jeff Sturtevant
- \$51,700.00 – B & B Builders
- **NOTE**** Some of the bids were quoted to tear out existing floor and replace all new; and some were to go directly over the existing floor. **No action taken at this time due to the volume of bids.**

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Roger Boise made a motion to approve minutes from March 5, 2009 and March 17, 2009. Seconded by Pam Marsh. 5 yes / 0 no

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE:

2. State of Vermont Dept. of Taxes – Final Reconciliation of April 1, 2008 Grand List
3. Warnings for the May 5, 2009 Public Hearing on the Dupoise Petition / 100 ft. setback
4. James Dumont – Compliance Filing by VELCO
5. Addison County Regional Planning Commission – Western Corridor Transportation Study – Meeting held on April 13, 2009 @ 6pm.
6. Kleinschmidt Energy & Water Consults – Otter Creek Hydroelectric Project
7. U.S. Census Bureau 2010 – Thank you letter

OTHER BUSINESS:

Kathleen Ready made a motion to move into executive session at 8:32 pm to discuss a contract issue.

Pam Marsh moved to adjourn from executive session at 9:15pm. No action taken

Adjourn: 9:50 pm
Respectfully Submitted:
Pam Kingman
Approved:

Keith Hall, Chair

Roger Boise

Pam Marsh

Pat Paquette

Kathleen Ready