

Town of New Haven Selectmen's Meeting
7:00 pm Town Clerks Office
Tuesday October 17, 2006

Present: Paul Audy, Burt Allen, Keith Hall, Barb Torian

Others: Jill DeVoe, Phil Busier, Bev Landon, Betty Bell, John Madden, Jim Gallott, Iva Menard, Jim Collier, Ann Perkins, Roger Boise

AGENDA: Results

Read and approve minutes make corrections if needed.

ROADS

- Update – Peter Viau is trapping beavers for the pelts. Plank Road could be ready to pave in 7- 10 days. There is a lot to do to get Hunt Road ready to pave. Phil Busier would like to wait to pave Hunt Road and Pave Plank Road instead. The culverts have already been done. The crushing of gravel is done. Scott Busier is helping Bristol with the loader. The crew is working on finishing up a lot of stuff. Jerry Currier can help plow snow if needed.

Keith Hall – How do we decide on which road will be paved next. Discussion of road plan. Phil Busier would like to have all roads paved. It is expensive to maintain dirt roads. Barb Torian suggest that they have the comparison of cost figures for town meeting.

Jim Collier – Does not want to see the town pave Hunt Road. Has a child care business at his house and is worried that the speed of traffic will increase. They walk up and down the road. Family will be safer if the road stays dirt.

John Madden – Would like to see Hunt Road remain dirt. Looks like the paving may be postponed.

- Hired Edgar Trudeau to fill in while Dave Heisler is out with an injury. He will be paid \$12.00 per hour. Filled out W-9 – Is he to be an employee or a subcontractor? Will be part time employee.
- Road access permits
- Town / Palmer Agreement – No action
- Sign over wt permits

NEW BUSINESS

Visitors Business:

- Auditors – Jill DeVoe and Iva Menard. Have begun working on the audit, Warned that they may be over budget due to the change in the way they are auditing this year. Will try to present a budget to the selectboard. Ann Perkins would like to be an auditor, she has a good background for the job. Suzy Roorda has resigned. Paul Audy motion to appoint Ann Perkins to fill the remainder of Suzy Roorda's term as auditor. Keith Hall second. All agree.

Bev Landon – Has issues with items she read in the minutes of Sept. 19th. There was a discussion of removing the brush along the south side of the school by the Johnson's. If you do the research you will find that a fence barrier is required to maintain a separation of the properties. The brush may not be removed. She noticed under Town Hall applications that there are dance and yoga classes and a fee is being paid. This sounds like it is being done for a profit. In the past there is a policy that prohibits use of the town hall for profit.

Roger Boise – Evergreen cemetery – There are trees that need to come down, it is very expensive to have them removed. Would like to know if the town would budget some money to the cemetery. Betty Bell – the association is worried about running out of money. Selectboard will be working on their budget in January. Please submit a request at that time. Or you can submit a petition.

- VELCO – Copy of tree planting proposal for Plank Road lot – Discussion of trees in the road right of ways. Phil Busier would like them planted outside of the town right of way. Selectboard agrees. Keith Hall will talk with VELCO.

Will sign Plank Road right of way documents on the 31st.

Planning Commission – Article for Michael Dunbar petition - Shall the Town of New Haven Amend the future Land Use map of the Town Plan to include lots 689, 688 and 687 on Route 7 in the highway commercial district. Keeping 200 feet deep along Dog Team Road in the Rural Agricultural -2 District.

Selectboard will hold a public hearing in January and warn for Town Meeting.

Burt Allen – upset about businesses coming into town and getting violations. We should be welcoming businesses. Wonders if people are making up the laws as they go along.

Keith Hall – Continuity of Government meeting – Town officials need to provide names of people to willing to take over in case of a pandemic.

- Appointments
Conservation Commission
Energy Coordinator
Addison County Transit Resource
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

MISC. Correspondence

- Ann Perkins – Qualifications for auditor
- United States department of interior - National Parks – Land and Water Conservation Fund for the playground
- VPRIG – Request to pass a resolution to protect residents from mercury exposure in fish
- Thomas Leytham – Architect – recommendation for Robin Snyder
- Robin Snyder – Construction specialist / estimator – resume
- Jim Foley – copy of letters to zoning administrator and chair of zoning board of adjustment

Re: violation given to Brian Elithorpe and Kathryn Newton

- James Dumont – letter relating to VELCO –info on plantings in road right of ways.
- Secretary of State – Attorney General – Public protection Division – Letter stating that the 3 day rule does not apply to the copier contract
- Jim Quimette – memorandum in opposition – John Madden

Sign pay orders

Old Business

Adjourn: 8:05

Respectfully submitted:
Barbara Torian

Approved:

Paul Audy

Burt Allen

Keith Hall