

Town of New Haven Selectboard Meeting
7:00 pm
Town Offices
Tuesday, February 3, 2009

Present: Keith Hall, Pat Paquette, Roger Boise, Lowell Nottingham, Pam Marsh and Pam Kingman

Visitors: Claire Van Buren, Alan Curler, Earl Bessette, Barb Torian, Suzy Roorda

Agenda Results:

Visitors business:

1. **Claire Van Buren** – Office update: She wanted the Selectboard to know that everything is going well in the office.
2. **Alan Curler** – Is interested in the dirt pile from the construction of the new office building. If it is not going to be used for anything, he would like to have it spread over the ball field to help make it level. Lowell Nottingham said he has spoken with Naylor & Breen. Whatever is leftover from landscaping around the building can be used for the ball field. Alan Curler said he has put a blurb in the town report asking the towns people for more dirt that can be spread onto the ball field.
3. **Suzy Roorda** – Town Hall Applications: **1)** Hot Chocolate Social for Rural Vt. Advocates, held in the Cafeteria on Wednesday, March 4, 2009 from 6 – 8:30pm. Discussion about donating the Hall to other entities for use as a public function or private use; where does the Town draw the line? Suzy Roorda said on the back of the applications there is a closing down schedule, most folks who use the hall are good about following it. Pam Marsh suggested revisiting the fee schedule after Town Meeting. Pam Marsh made a motion to approve the application subject to a \$25.00 rental fee. Keith Hall seconded the motion. 3 yes / 2 no. **2)** Alan Chester would like to use the gym whenever it is available, for one on one basketball with his son. Fee waived. Lowell Nottingham made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Pat Paquette. 5 yes / 0 no. **3)** Shelley Driscoll would like to coach 7th & 8th grade boys basketball in the gym, February – May. On Tuesdays from 6-7pm. There are about 10 New Haven boys who are interested. Fee waived. Pam Marsh made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Lowell Nottingham. 5 yes / 0 no
Suzy Roorda – When the time comes to move into the new building she would like to be able to remove all the Event & Sports equipment from the storage trailer and move it into the old office space. She just wants the Selectboard to know there is a need for storage of all that equipment. She had heard the Historical Society has also expressed an interest in the space.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. Payroll – Lowell Nottingham made a motion to approve payroll. Seconded by Roger Boise. 5 yes / 0 no
2. Pay Orders – Lowell Nottingham made a motion to approve the pay orders. Seconded by Pat Paquette. 5 yes / 0 no
3. Sign for Bond money for the new office building
4. Barb Torian – Questioned what to do with the current Gaines Insurance bill for the New Haven Fire Dept. We are still waiting to hear back from VLCT with a quote and don't want to leave the Fire Dept. in limbo. VLCT needs information from Dave Heisler in order to give the quote. Pam Marsh made a motion to pay ¼ of the insurance to Gaines Insurance while we are waiting to hear from VLCT. Seconded by Lowell Nottingham. 5 yes / 0 no
5. Barb Torian – The insurance adjustment for Sherman Jewett, Claire Van Buren and potentially Cris Messerle. Cris works enough hours to eligible for benefits. He has declined them, is he then considered eligible for the stipend? The Selectboard will consider whether Cris Messerle is eligible for the stipend. Keith Hall said the stipend for Sherman Jewett and Claire Van Buren should be done on a monthly basis.
6. Treasurer, Barb Torian asked for an employees list of wages so it is easier for her to do payroll. The Selectboard signed off on the list.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Sign Liquor License for Rolands Place – Pam Marsh made a motion to approve the liquor license. Seconded by Lowell Nottingham. 5 yes / 0 no
2. Set date to hold Public Hearing for the Dupoise Petition. The Planning Commission has already held their Hearing. The Public Hearing will be held on April 7, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Cafeteria; with the regular Selectboard meeting to follow.
3. An organization called the Preservation Society of the **Union Church of New Haven Mills**, which is a registered 501C (3) with the State of Vermont. They are interested in preserving the Church. Ken Weston has done the research for the Preservation Society on the background of the Church. Mr. Weston found that it is the New Haven School District that actually owns the Church and the land. The property the Church sits on used to be a part of the Lampton School. Keith Hall made a motion to transfer all the paperwork to the New Haven School District and Addison County Northeast Supervisory Union for them to decide what to do. Seconded by Pam Marsh. 5 yes / 0 no

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Approve minutes from January 27, 2009 – Deferred until next meeting.

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Addison County Regional Planning Commission – FY2010 Municipal Assessments

OTHER BUSINESS:

2. Roger Boise – Neighborhood Crime Watch signs: Mr. Boise found out the signs cannot be within the Town right of way, meaning they cannot be placed on the Towns road signs. He suggested when someone wants to put up a sign, they will need to approach the landowner and ask permission to attach the sign to a tree. Because this is not on Town property, the Town will not supply the signs.

Keith Hall made a motion to move into executive session to discuss a contract issue at 8:00 pm. Seconded by Pat Paquette. 5 yes / 0 no

Roger Boise made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:30 pm, seconded by Lowell Nottingham. 5 yes / 0 no. No action taken.

Adjourn: 8:45 pm
Respectfully submitted:
Pam Kingman
Approved:

Keith Hall, Chair

Roger Boise

Pam Marsh

Lowell Nottingham

Pat Paquette