

**Town of New Haven Selectmen's Meeting**  
**7:00 pm Town Offices**  
**Tuesday, February 5, 2008**

Present: Paul Audy, Burt Allen, Keith Hall, Pam Kingman  
Others: Claire Van Buren, Cris Messerle, Al Karnatz, Tim Bouton, Roger Boise,  
Wayne Marcelle, Fred Napoleon, Jeff Everest, Suzy Roorda

**AGENDA RESULTS:**

Read and approve minutes, make corrections.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Visitors Business

- **Al Karnatz – Forming the new Development Review Board.** Pam Kingman has typed up the Resolution. It needs to be filled out with the names of the new members, then signed and approved by the Selectboard. Al Karnatz (Planning Commission, Chair) and John Evers (Zoning Board of Adjustment, Chair) recommend it be a **seven member board with two alternates. Suggested names for the new DRB, and terms are as follows:**

- 1) John Evers has agreed to be the Chair for one year.
- 2) Stewart MacCrellich – 2009
- 3) Watson Scott – 2009
- 4) Donna Blaise – 2010
- 5) Mike Sweeney – 2010
- 6) George Apgar – 2011
- 7) Tim Bouton – 2011

**The two alternates are:**

- 1) Andy Dykstra – 2009
- 2) Jim Gallott – 2011

The DRB Clerk – Karen Gallott

Tim Bouton said these recommendations are a good balance of fairness, experience and attendance. These folks will also look carefully at the rules and regulations before making decisions.

Al Karnatz thought if the Selectboard approved the names, they could have the change - over date from ZBA to DRB on Friday, February 8, 2008. This way it frees up current P.C. and ZBA members to move into their new positions. Paul Audy made a motion to accept the suggested list of names, but not sign the Resolution until the names are agreed upon. When the Selectboard agrees on the names, they will then sign the Resolution. Motion seconded by Burt Allen. All agreed.

Al Karnatz suggested some names for the vacancies that are left open on the Planning Commission, (two) he has spoken with several folks in town about the P.C. but is waiting to hear back.

**Cris Messerle** - The new **schedule of fees has been agreed on for the DRB**. It will include \$100 per lot for minor and major subdivisions plus the regular fees. These fees are in line with what surrounding towns already have in place.

- **Wayne Marcelle** – There was a **dog incident** out behind the New Haven Mobile last week. New Haven resident, Roger Sturtevant was out walking on his property when two dogs came running up to him. At first they just sniffed around. The owner of the dogs, Nick Liberio, called them back. But the dogs came rushing back at Mr. Sturtevant, the female pit bull / cross latched onto his jacket by the elbow, ripping his coat and leaving an abrasion. Mr. Sturtevant informed Mr. Liberio that he was trespassing and Mr. Liberio said that the Hills owned the property, not Mr. Sturtevant. After the altercation, Roger Sturtevant went to the State Police to lodge a complaint. Wayne Marcelle told the Selectboard that this dog is on a mandatory restraint because of past issues, but this is the first person the dog has bitten in town. Keith Hall suggested that Mr. Marcelle get the Police report and then the Selectboard can go from there.

**Wayne Marcelle – Contract with Addison County Humane Society.** He recommends going with option #2 like we have in the past. “The Town agrees to pay a flat rate of \$500 with no charge per animal and no limit as to the number of animals the Town relinquishes to ACHS.” Paul Audy made a motion to sign the contract, seconded by Keith Hall. All agreed.

**Wayne Marcelle – Windows in the gym of the Town Hall need replacing.** He has spoken with Brownell’s of Burlington and they gave him a quote over the phone of roughly \$3,000 per window, \$18,000 total. This includes labor and material. Brownell’s suggested putting in a solid six foot window in the center with a two foot span on the top and bottom which would crank out. This idea would make it easier to open and close the windows. Paul Audy said for that amount of money we should put the job out to bid. Burt Allen said he will talk to Marcel Brunet from Clover State Construction and get a quote from him as well. Discussion on what the windows are made of and how they need to be a good industrial / commercial mid-grade type window. Mr. Marcelle noted that this is something that needs to be done this year, because the windows are getting dangerous. He added that the current windows are roughly twenty years old, and thought the sills should still be in good shape. Tim Bouton asked if the current windows came with some kind of guarantee. Wayne Marcelle said he and Pam Kingman have searched for one, but found nothing.

- **Claire Van Buren – Warning for Town Meeting: Article #13 had to be removed** because it hadn’t gone through the proper channels. Article #13 was the petition brought in by Steve Dupoise to change the zoning along a section of Route 7. Al Karnatz said the petition was received in the Town Office on January 14, 2008, which was too late for the Planning Commission to act on before Town Meeting. The process for a change in zoning is to go before the Planning Commission and then according to

State Statute 117, there needs to be two public hearings - one with the Planning Commission and one with the Selectboard. The Planning Commission also has to write up a report on their findings, in accordance with the Statute and send certified mailings to all abutting towns and to the Addison County Regional Planning Commission. Three weeks was not sufficient time to do all this.

- **Suzy Roorda – Town Hall Applications:** **1)** New Haven Volunteer Fire Dept. Fundraiser Pancake Breakfasts to be held on the following Sundays in the cafeteria: Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 30 and April 27 from 6 am – noon. Fee waived; contact is Chief Mike Dykstra. Burt Allen made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Paul Audy. All agreed. **2)** Beeman Elementary School, Odyssey of the Mind team skit practice to be held in the gym on March 1, 9 – noon on March 10, 3 – 6 pm. Fee waived; contact is Josie Masterson – Glen. Keith Hall made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Burt Allen. All agreed. **3)** Softball Pitching Clinic in the gym to continue on the following dates: Feb. 5, 8, 9, 12, 15, 19, 22, 23 and 26. Fee waived, contact is Lanny Smith. Paul Audy made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Keith Hall. All agreed. **4)** Chocolate Delight Night – Community Library Fundraiser to be held in the gym on Feb. 8, from 7 – 9 pm. Fee waived, contact is Deborah Lundbech. Burt Allen made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Paul Audy. All agreed.

**Suzy Roorda – Two suggested names for members of the Parks & Recs Committee:** Tory Rule and Iva Menard. No action taken until after Town Meeting.

**Suzy Roorda –** Received a call from Chris Lizotte from MALT. He let Suzy Roorda know there was going to be a **neighborhood meeting** on Dog Team Road at Julie Olson's about the **plans for the Dog Team property.**

**Suzy Roorda – Town Hall key –** she received an email from VLCT in regards to keeping the key on her property; she is covered under her insurance. She has also purchased a mailbox to put the key in at her house it will be much easier for Town Hall users.

- **Contract for Cyclical Reappraisal from Kermit Blaisdell.** No action taken; may put out to bid.
- **Update contract with Allen Swain for the Town Properties, Grounds & Maintenance.** Burt Allen made a motion to make it a three year contract with \$100 increments for each year and \$40.00 per hour for additional work; seconded by Keith Hall. All agreed.
- **Addison County Fair & Field Days, Inc. –** Fireworks Display Permit: Paul Audy made a motion to sign the permit; seconded by Burt Allen. All agreed.
- **Paulette Bogan –** She could not make it because of a schoolboard meeting. Faxed information about the Mt. Abraham tax rate.

#### **MISC. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- State of Vermont Dept. of Public Service – Vermont Marble Power Division of OMYA, Inc. – Declaratory Ruling
- Addison County Regional Planning Commission – FY 2009 Municipal Assessments, FY2007 year-end Report and ACRPC Energy Committee Update
- Ouimette & Runcie - Deer View LLC Subdivision Application ( Appeal of Madden)
- State of Vermont Division for Historic Preservation – Bottom Farm

**REGULAR BUSINESS:**

- Sign Overweight Permit

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

- Sign pay orders

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEWS LETTERS:**

- VLCT News

Keith Hall made a motion to move into executive session at 9:05 pm to discuss a personnel issue, seconded by Burt Allen. All agreed.

Paul Audy made a motion to adjourn from executive session at 9:30 pm, seconded by Keith Hall. All agreed.

Adjourn: 9:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Pam Kingman

Approved:

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Paul Audy

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Burt Allen

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Keith Hall