

Town of New Haven Selectmen's Meeting
7:00 pm Town Clerks Office
Tuesday July 11, 2006

Present: Paul Audy, Burt Allen, Barb Torian

Others: Harold Tricou, John Madden, Lisa Sanchez, Phil Busier, George Crane, Greg Beers,

Received resignation from Amos Roleau III. He will not be attending any more Selectboard meetings.

New Chair for Selectboard – Paul Audy

AGENDA: Results

Read and approve minutes make corrections if needed.

Corrected truck box information to read Scott Busier truck (1998-9)

ROADS – update

- Phil Busier – (See hand out) – Would like to get a conveyer or something to help with piling of the sand. It is dangerous and difficult to get the sand properly stored in a pile. He would like to see if other towns would be interested in purchasing a conveyor that could be shared.

Would like to replace the box on Scott's truck. He would like to have a rear and front sander.

Phil will get more information and pricing.

The Town of Panton helped New Haven put up sand and New Haven will be helping them put up their sand. The Road Crew was interested in getting the sand out of the pit in order to be able to crush gravel.

Beldon Falls Road – Phil Busier is trying to work with the State on a solution. He would like to put in a box culvert.

Discussion - Munger St. Hope to start replacing culverts in the next few weeks and be ready to start the paving work shortly after that.

Discussion – North St. Has replaced one culvert. Would like to replace about 20 more culverts.

Campground Road – Working with Pike's to maintain the paved portion near their plant.

Discussion of sink hole on Plank Road.

Twitchell Hill Road – Would like to get a top coat on the road as soon as possible. The road is getting more traffic and it will get ruined.

Discuss tractor trade-ins and options.

- Palmer / Right of way – no action
- Route 17 / East Street intersection – no action
- Adelpia Cable – Would like to do some work / easement on Munger St. – Greg Beers – Adelpia is extending service up River Road and then Down Munger St. to Middlebury. Would like to install 1/4 inch conduit for 3 cables. 2x3 hand held flush mount with a rise at each pole. About 2600 feet would be in the Town ROW. Munger St. is a 2 rod road. Phil Busier will walk the road with Adelpia. Discussion of liability and insurance issues. Adelpia will be drafting a letter of consent.
- Over Wt. Permits - sign

NEW BUSINESS 7:20

- VELCO – will be using helicopters for some installation work beginning July 12. Will be working from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm will take about 3 weeks.
- George Crane – Would like information regarding contract with Sheriffs Dept. – Would like to lodge a complaint about the Sheriffs Dept. He believes that people are being profiled prior to being ticketed. Vehicles with only one person in the car. Also concerned about the testimony being offered in court as well.

Discussion of complaints about people traveling too fast on the roads.

Burt Allen will discuss the matter with Jim Coons.

- Town Hall Maintenance – Town’s person has noticed that some things are not being done and would like to do the job. Selectboard will ask the current custodian to come to their next meeting.
- John Madden – Zoning Regulations /
 - Petition – Selectboard received a petition on June 26, 2006. The petition was supported by at least 5% of the registered voters of New Haven. Verbal information from the Secretary of States Office was that the petition was not valid. The Selectboard decided to look into the matter and has asked the Secretary of States Office to provide information in writing to verify the verbal conversation. Information has not been received yet due to vacation schedule of Kathy DeWolfe. If the Selectboard decides the petition is valid they have to hold a vote within 60 days.
 - Burt Allen wondered where the list of questions and changes relating to the zoning regulations was.
 - John Madden - Is more concerned about the petition he filed for a town vote on the bylaws. His file was filed prior to the decision and he believes it should take precedence to the decision.
 - Paul Audy – Town has spoken with the Secretary of State’s Office who said it was not a valid petition. There were so few people at the hearings that he does not see any justification for calling a town vote. (Follow up from town attorney: the selectboard has full authority to adopt the regulations regardless of the petitions validity, since there has not been a vote at this time the selectboard is required to act on the current law.)
 - John Madden – Has not been able to find anything in the Statute’s about the wording of a petition.
 - Discussion of the signatures on the petition and not being a proper way to get signatures.
 - The selectboard is still waiting for a letter from the Secretary of State’s Office to determine the validity of the petition.
- Lisa Sanchez – Still interested in the selectboard position. Has vast knowledge of how things work in Montpelier. She is a quick study and would like to do the job.
- Appointments – Selectboard – Interested people are: Lisa Sanchez, Jim Gallott, Keith Hall and Betty Bell. Andy Dykstra and Pat Paquette were also approached to see if they might be interested.
- Selectboard appointed Keith Hall to fill Amos Roleau III position on the Selectboard.
 - Energy Coordinator
 - Conservation Commission
 - Addison County Transit Resource Board
 - Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)
- Set Tax Rate – Grand List 1,487,752.51 Amount to be raised for Town \$895,321.13. Recommended Rate .6018. Selectboard set rate at .6018 to .061 depending on how the computer program will allow for rounding.
- Tax Rates set by State for schools are:
 - Residential Rate 1.6696 Non Residential Rate 1.6771

MISC. Correspondence

- State of Vermont – Agency Natural Resources – Dupoise Act 250
- Jim Gallott – Volunteering to fill Selectboard slot.
- Velco –Shelburne Park Homeowners Association to Susan Hudson , Clerk for Vermont Public Service Board – Aesthetic Mitigation
- Vermont Tax Dept. Education Tax Rates Non residential 1.6771 Homestead 1.6696

- VLCT – Inspection of Town Garage – Recommendations – Ensure that all traffic control cones and signs are in like new condition. Make sure there is sufficient quantity to comply with State Law and VOSHA regulations.
- Green Mountain Power – Acquired by Northern New England Energy Corp. Informational sessions Colchester 5:30 July 13 /Montpelier 5:30 July 14
- John Madden – Preamble to the constitution and Comparison of his input as a stockholder in a corporation. Looking forward to going through the zoning regulations.

Old Business

VELCO

Dana King House

Pay Orders

Sign Documents

Adjourn:

Respectfully submitted:

Barbara Torian

Approved:

Paul Audy

Burt Allen