

Town of New Haven Selectmen's Meeting
7:00 pm Town Clerks Office
Tuesday September 5, 2006

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

Others: Margot Merritt, Suzy Roorda, Aaron Gingras, Eldon Sherwin, Jeanette Sherwin, Polly Darnell, Jim Walsh, Shawn Goodfellow, Carol Barnes, Jerry Smiley, Ann Gleason, Tiana Curry, Pam Marsh, Harold Tricou, Julie Olson, Dean Gilmore.

AGENDA: Results

Read and approve minutes make corrections if needed.

NEW BUSINESS

- Carol Barnes – After School program – They would like to use the cafeteria for the after school program. Mary Johnson Day Care is a non profit organization who would be responsible for the program. They are licensed and inspected by the state. They have talked to Suzy Roorda and the time is available. Selectboard O.K.

Shawn Goodfellow - New Holland Tractor – The Town has been trying out a TS 115A plus tractor. After trade in and discounts it would be \$31, 949.00. He would like to know what the town thinks of the tractor –

Burt Allen - Discussion about the tires not being loaded and town had to load them. Would also like to look into a tractor from Hendy Brothers. The tractor worked pretty well, but there was one blind spot.

Roger Boise – Wondered if the town had compared the costs of purchasing vs. the cost of sub contracting the work.

Dean Gilmore – Spoke of sub contractors not doing a very good job, and that it is better to have a tractor and do it yourself, so you can make as many passes as you want.

Paul Audy – Concerned about how busy the road crew is and whether they have time to mow. Discussion. No action

Julie Olson – Lives behind the Dog Team. Thanked the Fire Dept. and said what an amazing job they did. They are very dedicated and hard working. She is concerned that there were lots of people hanging around on Saturday and things were being removed from the property. Was concerned that an individual appeared to be representing the Town and wondered if the Town might be involved. This would not be good.

Paul Audy – The board was not aware of anyone acting on behalf of the Town; and if there was anything on Town property there was no permission for it to be there and it should be removed. Discussion of rumors of looting and having called the State Police and Sheriffs Dept. several times by numerous people.

Discussion that it was not the Fire Department's responsibility to protect the property. The scene belonged to the police.

- Town Office Plans – Jerry Smiley – Comparison of plan from Bud Carpenter and one prepared by Jerry Smiley. The square footage of the buildings is the same. The configuration is different. The one from Mr. Smiley contains space for a Library the other does not. The sizes of the rooms are different and the configuration is different. Discussion of pros and cons of each design. Bud Carpenters design does not include pricing for anything other than the building. No site work no permits no estimates, no architectural stamp, no parking etc. Discussion of the importance of having design development and outline specifications prior to going to a cost estimator. A contractor should not be part of this process. Building should go out to bid after all the ground work is done.

Paul Audy – Looking at all the options. Need to get the most for the money.

Pam Marsh – Would like to see the Library included in the building. The Library has over 400 new patrons. There is a lot of support for the Library. Putting something up for a vote without a Library would further split the town. Mr. Smiley has put a lot of thought into his plan. It is very efficient use of the space.

More discussion

Paul Audy – Agrees that the Town should have a Library. Need to look at all the options and try to get the most for the dollars spent.

Pam Marsh – The current location for the Library has moisture problems, Has had water come in under the door several times this summer. Is limited in the hours it can be open and is too small of a space.

Discussion of time frame – Not really sure maybe by town meeting.

- Town Hall Permits – Aaron Gingras – Town hall permit – to practice music – Granted as long as an adult is present.
- VELCO – R-O-W agreement – Keith Hall spoke with Jim Ouimette – Need to see copies of the deeds. 2.6 acres. Discussion of selling the whole parcel... Would have to have a town vote. Right of Way might not need a town vote. No action
- Speeding on East St – Complaint about cars traveling very fast on East Street. 2 accidents in the last few weeks. Burt Allen will talk to the Sheriff's dept. and try to get them to provide a log of where they have been patrolling and when. So can determine what the next step will be.
- Emergency Plan Hierarchy - No Action
- Recycling – There was a concern that we might be paying for non-residents who are using the recycling. Town pays a set fee per month.
- Appointments – Energy Coordinator
Conservation Commission
Addison County Transit Resource Board
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Sign documents and pay orders

ROADS Update

Discussion of culvert at Route 7 and Hunt Road belonging to the State.

- Route 17 / East Street - Intersection
- Town / Palmer Agreement
- Pay orders

MISC. Correspondence

- Milo Schaefer – Regional Planning – Community Assistance grants workshops
- VELCO – Petition to amend night time lighting
- Wayne Marcelle – Dog Warden Report

NEWS LETTERS

- Candidate Bulletin
- VLCT
- Opinions
- Valuation Views
- Addison County Regional Planning

Treasurers Report

Next meeting September 19th 2006

Adjourn: 9:10

Respectfully submitted:
Barbara Torian

Approved:

Paul Audy

Burt Allen

Keith Hall