

**Town of New Haven Selectboard Meeting**

7:00 pm

Town Offices

Tuesday, May 1, 2012

Present: Chair, Pam Marsh, Vice Chair, Kathy Barrett, Roger Boise, Kathleen Ready, Treasurer, Barb Torian and Clerk, Pam Kingman

Absent: Charlie Roy

Visitors: Mike Dykstra and Suzy Roorda

**AGENDA RESULTS:**

**VISITORS BUSINESS:**

1. Suzy Roorda Town Hall Applications: Mike Dykstra - This year Beeman Elementary is not willing to sponsor a 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade dance, unless it includes the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> graders. Many parents of the upper classmen do not wish to include the younger children. Several parents of the 5 & 6<sup>th</sup> graders have offered to put on a dance for their kids. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the Town Hall application for a 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade dance in the gym on Saturday, June 2, 2012 from 7 – 9 pm. Parents will set up on Saturday afternoon. Deposit of \$50 has been received, fee is waived. Motion seconded by Roger Boise. 4 yes / 0 no
2. Suzy Roorda – Middlebury Community Players donation: Suzy had emailed Mary Longey in reference to this, but hasn't heard back from her. She is asking for Selectboard input on how much they think a fair donation is. The Board agreed \$1,250.00 would be fair, it is half the amount it would have cost them to rent the Hall. Suzy will contact Mary Longey, and suggest this amount.
3. Newsletter – Jim Gallott has emailed all the Selectboard members informing them that he will no longer be formatting the newsletter starting in September. We will put something in the newsletter over the summer asking if there is another New Haven resident willing to donate some time to formatting it every month. Kathleen Ready asked who wrote the Crime Watch article( Suzy Roorda). She was concerned that it wasn't signed, and it gave the impression that it was written by the Selectboard.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

1. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending, 4/21/12 in the amount of \$3,789.03, seconded by Kathleen Ready. 4 yes / 0 no
2. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending, 4/28/12 in the amount of \$3,227.37, seconded by Kathleen Ready. 3 yes / 1 abstention (Boise)
3. Kathleen Ready made a motion to approve the pay orders for the week ending 5/1/12, in the amount of \$23,888.61, seconded by Roger Boise. 4 yes / 0 no

4. Front Porch Forum – Barb Torian asked who is in charge of signing up for it and making the connections. Pam Marsh thought it would be Suzy Roorda and Chris Bray.
5. Crime Watch – Money has run out to purchase signs. The Selectboard did not budget for crime watch this year. No consensus as to whether we wish to allocate more town funds for this program, which some members of the Selectboard do not really support.

#### **ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:**

1. **Equipment update:** Shelburne has a 2005 International dump truck for sale, Roger and Road Foreman, Chris Nelson looked the truck over, and thought it would be worthwhile to bid on. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve Roger Boise bidding on the truck in Shelburne, seconded by Kathleen Ready. 4 yes / 0 no
2. Roger opened the only roadside mowing bid at 7:45pm. Kathy Barrett made a motion to accept the roadside mowing bid from Big C, in the amount of \$9,000. He will mow twice for the 2012 season. Motion seconded by Kathleen Ready. 4 yes / 0 no
3. **Road update:** Road Crew has recently been working on Halpin Road. They have cut brush, installed 3 new culverts, ditched the roadsides, graded and put down chloride. They have done a great job. Pam Kingman, who lives on Halpin Road, agreed the crew did an excellent job, and the road looks very nice.
4. **Nash Bridge update:** A public meeting was held on April 24, 2012 in the Town Hall cafeteria. Aaron Guyette from VHB in Ferrisburgh and two representatives from Parsons Brinkerhoff; Adam Stockin and Keith Donnington went over the latest design for the bridge. They are proposing putting in one single round pillar in the river as a support, and moving it farther north to allow a larger volume of water to flow through the south side of the pillar. The pillar would be roughly 6 - 8 feet in diameter. They think by putting in a round pillar, logs and other debris would be less likely to get hung up on it. The other two supports would be completely out of the water on the south and north ends of the bridge. The bridge would be 9 feet wider. 3 feet of shoulder on the east side of the bridge and a 6 foot shoulder on the western side would also include the VAST snowmobile bridge. There was some concern about the VAST portion not being separated from the vehicle traffic by a guard rail or something. Bridge construction will hopefully begin in the spring of 2014, and would take roughly 2.5 months. If the design is approved by the Selectboard, and paperwork goes through smoothly, construction could happen in 2013. There will be another public hearing to go over the final plans.

5. **Narrow Band for Town Office radio and trucks:** Roger will talk to Fire Chief, Alan Mayer about this.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Quotes for the replacement of the Town Hall front porch – tabled until next meeting.
2. NIMS classes – Barb Torian asked the Selectboard which NIMS classes the Selectboard has attended. The town is able to receive FEMA funds since they are current on these classes. Barb will let the Board know when more courses are being offered.
3. Kathy Barrett made a motion to sign the request from Addison County Fair and Field Days to hold their annual Demolition Derby on August 8 & 9, 2012. Motion seconded by Roger Boise. 4 yes / 0 no

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Chair, Pam Marsh signed appointment forms for ACRPC Representatives and Alternates and ACRPC Transportation Advisory Committee. \*See minutes from April 3, 2012.\*
2. Hazard Mitigation Plan – was recently approved by FEMA. Many thanks to Tim Bouton for all of his hard work on this.

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

1. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes from April 17, 2012, seconded by Roger Boise. 4 yes / 0 no

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

1. VT. Supreme Court Entry Order – Cross Pollination
2. Zoning Administrator, Dave Wetmore: Recent zoning violation for Farnsworth
3. Madden correspondence
4. Road study from Jim Walsh
5. CCTA and ACTR bus service information from Jim Walsh

Adjourn: 8:20 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Pam Kingman

Approved:



Chair, Pam Marsh



Vice Chair, Kathy Barrett



Roger Boise



Kathleen Ready