

Town of New Haven Selectboard Meeting
7:00 pm
Tuesday, October 2, 2012
Town Offices

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

Visitors: Wayne Marcelle, Ed McGuire, and Lowell Nottingham

AGENDA RESULTS:

VISITORS BUSINESS:

1. Dog Warden, Wayne Marcelle – No show
2. Ed McGuire – In September ACTR voted to name Ed McGuire to their Board of Directors. Since Ed is a New Haven resident, ACTR requests the Selectboard to appoint him as the Town's official representative to their Board of Directors, as is permitted by ACTR's by-laws. Kathy Barrett expressed concern that Mr. McGuire hasn't served the town in any other capacity; it kind of looks political now that he is running for State Representative. It doesn't feel right to her. Other towns have representation on their Board, including Middlebury, Bristol and Vergennes. The Bylaws require that over ½ the members of the Board be representatives from member towns. Ed doesn't have a list of the other directors, but he will get that information and send it to us. Kathleen Ready made a motion to appoint Ed McGuire to ACTR's Board of Directors representing New Haven, seconded by Charlie Roy. 4 yes / 1 no (Barrett)
3. Ed McGuire – There is a proposal for a new Park 'n Ride for CCTA (Chittenden County Transit Authority) located at Phoenix Feeds on Route 7; currently no one knows if ACTR will also be a part of this. DRB member, Kathy Barrett said CCTA asked to continue the hearing originally scheduled for October 1 until the DRB's next meeting so they could look at the issue of lighting.
4. Library Trustee, Lowell Nottingham – The lighting in the Library near the Librarian's office needs to be brighter. During construction of the building, the Librarian was assured the lighting that was installed would be enough, even once all the shelving was up. The Library Trustees are requesting a new light be installed. The proposed lighting will either be two 4' fixtures or an 8' fixture and will run parallel to the shelves. Fixtures will be identical to what is currently in the Library and Town Offices. Estimate from Bolduc Electric is roughly \$800 - \$850. The Library Trustees are requesting the Town pay for the new fixture. Kathy Barrett made a motion to table the request, and to discuss it at the November 27,

2012 Selectboard meeting, when we will have a better idea of whether there is still money left in the 2012 maintenance budget, seconded by Roger Boise. 5 yes / 0 no

TOWN OFFICE BUSINESS:

1. Budget items deadline – Pam Kingman will send out letters to those who make requests for inclusion in the town budget; they will have until October 31, 2012 to respond.
2. Letter of resignation from Auditor, Anne Perkins. Kathy Barrett made a motion to reluctantly accept Anne Perkins letter of resignation, seconded by Roger Boise. 5 yes / 0 no. Pam K will announce the vacancy in the Front Porch Forum and in the next newsletter. The interim appointment will be to fill Anne's term, which ends in March 2013.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending 9/22/12, in the amount of \$2,972.81, seconded by Charlie Roy. 5 yes / 0 no
2. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending 9/29/12, in the amount of \$4,586.70, seconded by Kathleen Ready. 4 yes / 1 abstention (Boise)
3. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the pay orders for the week ending 9/24/12, in the amount of \$460,067.86, which includes the tax anticipation note in full; motion seconded by Roger Boise. 5 yes / 0 no
4. Charlie Roy made a motion to approve the pay orders for the week ending 10/2/12, in the amount of \$35,071.55, seconded by Kathy Barrett. 5 yes / 0 no
5. Kathleen Ready made a motion to approve the pay orders of tax refunds for the week ending 10/2/12, in the amount of \$22,452.54. Motion seconded by Charlie Roy. 5 yes / 0 no

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

1. Road Update – Paved roads have no issues; gravel roads have been hard to grade with lack of rain. Now that it has rained a significant amount, all gravel roads will be graded.
2. Equipment Update – Have removed the old truck body from the 2001, and are preparing to put the new body on.
The road crew has recently stripped and painted the loader.
3. Traffic Ordinance – The Selectboard signed the ordinance as approved at the September 18, 2012 meeting.

4. Town Shed garage door replacement that is rusted through. Pam Marsh made a motion to accept the quote from Limoge & Son's for a total of \$3,682.20, to replace the garage door. Motion seconded by Roger Boise. 5 yes / 0 no

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Cross walk on Route 17 – MaryAnn Tricou had come into the Town Office last month to complain about the crosswalk on Route 17. She and her children have almost been hit there on several different occasions. Pam Kingman told her it is a State road, and gave MaryAnn a contact person. MaryAnn returned to the Town Office recently to say she was almost hit again. She said the State told her to have the town approve putting in blinking lights or a pole in the road; something that would alert traffic to the crosswalk. This is the only complaint we have had thus far since the sidewalks and crosswalks were installed. Pam Marsh asked Pam Kingman to write a letter to the State informing them about the Town receiving complaints, and the Town would like to enhance the safety in the Route 17 crosswalks. Pam Marsh also requested a letter from MaryAnn Tricou about the incidents to go with Pam Kingman's letter.
2. West Cemetery – There was a recent inquiry about available plots. Pam Kingman called Betty Bell, she thought there were about 10 plots left. A standard plot size is 4' x 12'. Kathy Barrett made a motion to set the fees for West Cemetery at \$250 for a standard 4' x 12' plot, allowing 1 casket per plot or 2 cremations per plot. Corner stones are required. Motion seconded by Charlie Roy. 5 yes / 0 no
3. November Selectboard meetings will be held on Tuesday, November 13th and 27th, 2012

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes from September 18, 2012, seconded by Kathleen Ready. 4 yes / 1 abstention (Roy)

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Roger Boise – Riverside Cemetery will need its wooden fence replaced. They have tried to keep up with it, but it is rotting. Possibly replace it with a cast iron fence in the future, or a clapboard fence made from something other than wood. Roger suggested putting money aside each year towards a new fence, and research different options. State law requires us to fence in all cemeteries.

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The Verterre Group – New Haven Mobil – Notice of Intent to Discharge (State Permit) Copies have been forwarded to the Planning Commission, DRB and Zoning Administrator.

Adjourn: 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Pam Kingman

Approved:



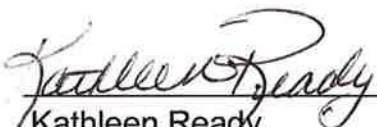
Chair, Pam Marsh



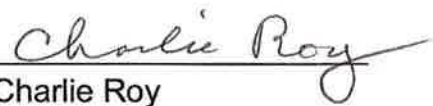
Vice Chair, Kathy Barrett



Roger Boise



Kathleen Ready



Charlie Roy