

**TOWN OF ANTRIM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 15, 2002**

PRESENT: Chairman Dave Penny, Selectman Bill Prokop, Selectman Mike Genest and Sherry Miller.

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order –

Review and approve minutes –

The minute of April 8, 2002 were unanimously approved.

Fire Chief –

Chief Beauchamp met with the Selectmen to let them know that he went to view the truck in Sheldon, CT and he has decided against putting in a bid.

7:00 p.m. Meeting with various committee members –

Parks & Rec. – Sam Harding and Hal Proctor

Major Activities

The Parks Department is working on several different projects including baseball/softball, preparing for summer programs, and upgrading the park and beach. The committee is also working on getting a clear definition of the "Richardson Trust" and how these funds can be used.

Major Issues –

Assistance in getting a clear agreement and understanding with the Conval School District as it pertains to the Town Gym. This is due to the new construction that is about to begin. We wish to clarify the use of the Gym for Town activities; the Recreation Departments room in the facility, and basically finalize all verbal and agreed arrangements into a "formal agreement". The committee would like to keep Memorial Park open for the summer and needs help from all Town functions for control and staffing. The Town Business office will continue to do the accounting for the committee, which is very helpful to them. The committee would like to develop a small skateboard park within the park. This seems to still be a very high interest item to the youths of the Town. The committee is looking for Town support with this project. The idea of exploring the possibility of acquiring land for ball fields and other recreational uses is very nice, but will be costly. This should be looked into with the idea of doing it over a period of time (5 years). It is estimated that once the land is acquired the cost for developing the land into a playing field could be in the area of \$125,000 +/- . The committee felt that it would be nice to have a Town website that all town activities, news, information, etc. could be on.

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EDAC / TIF – Dave Essex

Major Activities

Still awaiting approval on the grant submission for the improvements to Main Street. The committee is looking at the TIF guidelines to see if there are other projects that could be undertaken.

Major Issues –

The EDAC would like the Selectmen to assist them with whatever follow through is needed on the grant request. A discussion with the Selectmen regarding EDAC, is it really needed, and if so redefining its goals and objectives. The committee felt that it would be beneficial to the town and committees to have a website. They will continue to work on improvements to the Town's infrastructure.

Conservation Commission – Peter Beblowski and Peter Moore

Major Activities

The Conservation Commission has been working on the plans, grant applications and fund raising for the Antrim Woods project, they would like a letter from the Selectmen supporting their efforts. They are also working on developing a plan for a "Conservation District/Easement" to protect Campbell Pond this as the Town's back up water supply.

Major Issues –

They would like a letter of support for the Antrim Woods project. They would also like to have the highway crew clear the debris out from the dam (Mill Pond). They are looking for help/support in developing a new regulation for vegetation buffers, etc. In the future they would like to get some GSI mapping and other conservation information updated.

Planning Board – Ed Rowehl

Major Activities

The Planning Board is currently developing a policy to oversee PSNH trimming on scenic roads, an ordinance for adult businesses, an ordinance for excavation sites, a Capital Improvements Plan as part of the master Plan, consistent rules and regulations for review of all site plans and subdivisions and they are continuing to update the zoning rules, regulations and definitions.

Major Issues –

The Planning Board would like assistance in the development of the Capital Improvement Plan and with the issuing of the Master Plan. They would also like assistance with the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance.

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Zoning Board of Adjustment – Ben Pratt

Major Activities

They handle requests as they are brought to the Board on a timely basis. They are attempting to keep current on legal and regulation changes.

Major issues –

They are hoping that the Selectmen can clarify the legal “terms” of committee members and would like their assistance in recruiting new members and utilizing and attending seminars. Mr. Pratt suggested that a digital camera would be an asset to the town.

Landfill/Solid Waste Committee – Mike Genest

Major Activities –

This is a newly formed committee that has been meeting for the last few months. They are looking into what new equipment is needed to at the Recycling Center. They are also looking at a different way to recycle paper, magazines and glass that could be utilized by the highway department.

Major issues –

Looking for support from townspeople to improve recycling and support and assistance from other Town Departments with their recycling efforts.

The Selectmen thanked everyone for his or her coming to the meeting and for his or her input. There will be a follow up meeting with committees in the fall.

Wesfield status –

FYI still waiting to here back from Wesfield regarding the final payment agreement.

Grapevine –

Kristin Vance has requested to use the upstairs for programs while the Aiken Barn under goes renovations. There is some concern that excess noise could be a problem and there were some suggestions of other possible sights. Chairman penny will contact Ms. Vance to see if there is any other place to go.

Flood Control Survey –

Referred to the Conservation Commission.

Miscellaneous items signed –

Intent to Cuts

Current Use Application

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Miller