

**TOWN OF ANTRIM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2003**

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

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order –

ARTS –

Paul Vasques and Pam Caswell came in to speak with the Selectmen regarding the closing of the Transfer Station on Sundays. Selectman Genest explained that the Transfer Station initially opened on Sundays to accommodate the summer residents. Clark Craig advised the ARTS Committee that he felt there were not enough customers to warrant being open. Both Vasques and Caswell expressed concern that if the summer residents weren't able to drop off their weekend trash, it would be left at the camps and the animals would get into it. They also stated that many people have become accustomed to the Transfer Station being open, which allows them to do various projects on both Saturday and Sunday. After a brief discussion among the Selectmen it was agreed to open on Sundays from 1pm to 5pm from July 6th through August 31st. During this time personnel will monitor the activity and report their findings to the Selectmen for review to determine if the Transfer Station should remain open on Sundays next year.

Ms. Caswell inquired if there was money in the budget to fix the sidewalk on North Main Street. The Selectmen did advise that money was budgeted, however they weren't sure which sidewalks were planned.

Long Trail Acres –

The Selectmen reviewed various letters from Mr. Booth of Long Trail Acres concerning the Building Inspectors letter to cease and desist the operation of his farm stand/gift shop at his property on Matthewson Road. The Building Inspector sent letters to Mr. Booth indicating that he needed to contact the Planning Board for approval to operate a business as well obtain a building permit for storage trailers on the property. The letter of cease and desist was sent after prior correspondents went unanswered.

Abatements –

Some of the abatements from the revaluation have been received. The Selectmen agreed to meet on Tuesday morning to start the review process.

Emergency Plan –

The letter of intent has been forwarded and a letter was received indicating the allowable equipment to be purchased with the grant. This will be forwarded to all committee members to review, in the hopes of them coming to the June 16, 2003 meeting with their recommendations.

Skateboard park –

The skateboard equipment has been received and put in place. There is some concern about kids not wearing the recommended safety gear. It was indicated that there is a sign recommending certain protection be worn, however, it would be very difficult to police the area to be sure all are complying. Some residents in the area have complained about the increased noise and foul language. The Police are aware and will try to be in the area as much as possible.

Muni-Smart –

All codes are entered into the payroll system. The only thing left to do is to enter all employees, which will be done this week. There is some question as to whether or not our laser printer will be able to print checks on check stock. During our initial meeting with Muni-Smart they indicated that it wouldn't be a problem. We should hear back from the bank this week. Accounts payable is set up. We are waiting for Muni-Smart to transfer all vendors from BMSI to Muni-Smart. The general ledger is complete. The property tax module is installed and the tax bills will be printed (from Muni-Smart) tomorrow. The Town Clerk module is expected in July and the Water & Sewer module is expected in August.

Vacation request –

Sherry Miller has requested the week of July 21 – 25, 2003 off for vacation, the Selectmen unanimously approved.

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Review and approval of minutes –

The minutes of May 19, 2003 were reviewed and approved.

Reminder that the Selectmen will be meeting with the Francestown and Bennington Selectmen and Road Agents on Thursday, June 5th to discuss the Tri-Town Landfill excavation.

Selectman Genest is unable to attend the Planning Board meeting on Thursday, June 5 so Selectman Prokop was appointed to fill in.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Miller