

Date: 07/19/04

Minutes of Board of Selectmen's Meeting

Meeting held at Antrim Town Hall -Office @ 7:00 p.m. on 07/19/04

Selectmen present: M. Genest, M. Oldershaw, and B. Pratt.

Also in attendance: B. Prokop, S. Chatfield, M. Morrow, C. Berwick, S. Nelkens, K. Lamoureaux, K. Meino, R. Tenney, B. Kay, D. Lane, P. Vasques, S. Buehler, M. Suchodolski, K. Chisholm, S. Dowling

Chairman Genest opened the Public Hearing on Community Block Grant Application at 7:00 P.M. He gave an explanation of the purpose of the hearing and the grant process. He then asked Ms. Donna Lane, a CDBG Consultant to give an overview of the current proposed application. (Her outline is attached to these minutes for reference). Mr. Genest then asked for comments from the public. S. Nelkens asked if the expansion planned was going to cause problems of over crowding and also wanted to know if the Police Department had input into this plan and what concerns they had. It was explained that Chief Brown has been brought up to date on the plans and that problems at the shelter for the last two years have been minimal compared to past years. The problems that exist are being address by the shelter and the police together. There being no further comments the public hearing was closed. Chairman Genest then opened the Public Hearing on the proposed Housing and Community Development Plan. He than asked Ms. Donna Lane to explain the purpose and details of this plan. S. Nelkens asked how the girls were going to be housed during the construction and how long the project was projected to last. It was explained that the renovations would be done mainly in the barn, which is not really being used at the present time, so the girls will be housed as they are presently. The project is expected to take approximately eight (8) months to complete. There be no further questions Chairman Genest closed the Public Hearing. Chairman Genest then opened the Public Hearing on the Residential Antidisplacement and Relocation Assistance Plan. He then asked Ms. Donna Lane to explain this requirement. It was explained that this does not apply to this application. The requirements of this program were clearly explained to the public in attendance. Chairman Genest asked for public input. There were no comments or questions. The Chairman then closed the public hearing. The selectmen then reviewed the request to support the CDBG and voted to adopt The Housing and Community Development Plan, The Residential Antidisplacement and Relocation Assistance Plan, and voted to approve the submittal of the application for the CDBG and to authorize the Chairman to execute any documents which may be necessary to effectuate the CDBG contract. (Copies of all documentation of these public hearing are attached to these minutes).

The selectmen approved the minutes of the meeting of 6/21/04.

The selectmen met with the volunteers for the "School Funding Committee". They are Sally Buehler, Kathy Chisholm, Sharon Dowling, Ronald Hagggett (absent), and Shelly Nelkens. This committee will be Chaired by Selectman Ben Pratt. The members were all given the "Scope and Purpose" of the committee and asked for comments. The feeling was that this may be too much for one committee to handle and that the time period outlined was too short. The selectmen agreed to review these concerns with the committee after they have had a chance to get organized. The first meeting of the committee will be Monday, July 26, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. If anyone else wishes to join the group new members will be welcome, and the public is welcome to attend.

The Town Administrator and Selectman Pratt prepared a written proposal of how future "Remembrance" request shall be handled by the Town. This new "Remembrance Policy" was approved by a vote of the selectmen and will be effective immediately. (copy of policy attached)

The selectmen reviewed that status of Town Lines and Perambulation of Boundaries per RSA:51:2 and have agreed to follow a plan as presented to them by the Town Administrator. The selectmen instructed the Town Administrator to contact all towns involved to gain their approval and support. This plan would begin in the spring of 2005.

The selectmen agreed to establish an interim board of trustees to over see the Town cemeteries until the next Town election in March of 2005. The following residents have volunteered : Ben Pratt, Mary Hammond, and Bill Prokop. The selectmen voted to add the cemetery located off 202 on the Hillsboro Town Line to the locations. The selectmen voted to approve the rules and regulations for the Trustee to follow. (copy attached).

The selectmen reviewed the application for a Brownsfield Abatement requested by Antrim Mills. The Town Administrator will prepare the conditions of the abatement and will invite the principals of Antrim Mills to attend the next selectmen's meeting on August 2, 2004 to discuss and finalize.

The selectmen were advised by the Town Administrator that quotation request had been sent out to six fuel oil companies to cover the Towns needs for the 2004-2005 heating season. The recommendation is to give our fuel business to Rymes Heating Oils, Inc. for the up coming season. They have offered the best overall package to the Town and our Non-Profit organizations. The selectmen agreed to have the Town Administrator finalize the agreement with Rymes.

The selectmen met with Mrs. Lauber and her representative, Ms. Gail Rochford of Doughty Surveying, Inc., to review their request to obtain permission to up grade Ashley Road to class V. standards at their own expense. The selectmen asked that a detail drawing be prepared of the entrance off Elm Avenue and that discussions be held with the two abutters by the Lauber's. A follow up meeting was scheduled for August 2, 2004 @ 7:15 P.M. The abutters will be invited to attend and the meeting will be open to public comment as well. It was made clear that the Lauber's would be responsible for upgrading, maintenance, and insuring that the proper notes on the road being a class VI were recorded on the deed's of all lots sold in the proposed subdivision. This would also be noted on the final drawings that will be submitted to the Planning Board.

The selectmen reviewed the comments that were received by some departments on the changes needed to the current Master Plan. The selectmen instructed the Town Administrator to contact all the departments that have not responded and to remind them of what was expected of them. The selectmen will begin the review process by meeting with each department to discuss their suggested changes. The first meeting will be with the Ambulance and Fire Department and will be held at 7:30 P.M. on Monday August 2, 2004.

The selectmen reviewed various correspondence.

The selectmen approved the accounts payable for the week.

The selectmen voted to go into a non-public session per RSA 91-4a regarding a personnel issue.

The selectmen returned to their regular session.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

THE NEXT SCHEDULED SELECTMEN'S MEETING IS MONDAY, August 2, 2004, AT 7:00 P.M.

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