



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DEEP RIVER TOWN HALL

Special Meeting – December 30, 2013

Attendance: Selectmen Dick Smith, Dave Oliveria, Angus McDonald.

Call to Order

This special meeting was called to order at 10:40 am by Dick Smith.

Purchase of Industrial Land

The Board of Selectmen discussed the advantages and disadvantages of the purchase of Lot 6-B, consisting of 3.38 acres of industrial-zoned land, in the Plattwood Industrial Park. The following information was provided to assist the Selectmen in their deliberations:

1. Set of approved plans of the property, which appears on Assessor's Map 38, Lot 6-B, as well as a proposed access road, prepared by Roger Nemergut, CE;
2. Contract between M & M Enterprises of Deep River, Incorporated, and the Town of Deep River, to purchase Lot 6-B, as approved by Town Attorney Jane Marsh;
3. Memorandum from Assessor Robin O'Loughlin concurring with MAI Appraiser Michael Fazio regarding the property's appraised value;
4. Letter from the Planning & Zoning Commission, dated December 9, 2013, stating that the purchase would conform with Section 8-24 of Connecticut State Statutes and the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development.

Smith stated that the purchase of the 3.38 acres of Industrial-zoned property would be made possible through a grant program for industrial development. The only cost to the Town would be in-kind services provided by the Public Works Department.

During their lengthy discussion, the Board agreed that Deep River has a proven track record, under the same economic development program, of generating tax revenues for both Deep River and Connecticut, as well as creating jobs.

Motion by McDonald, 2nd by Oliveria, to approve the purchase, and to forward to Town Meeting.

APPROVED 3 -- 0

Adjournment

Motion by Oliveria, 2nd by McDonald, to adjourn at 11:20 am.

APPROVED 3 -- 0

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Smith,
First Selectman