

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for July 12, 2006

The Selectmen's meeting convened immediately following the Special Town Meeting with Mark Gilmore, Chair; Carolyn Ness and John Paciorek in attendance. Town Administrator Bernie Kubiak was also in attendance.

Selectmen's Comments:

The Tri-Town Beach Committee is planning a picnic on July 14 in honor of Mr. Edward Crafts.

The Deerfield Land Trust will be holding a fundraiser at Pioneer Gardens on July 22nd. Mr. Paciorek noted the improvement in sound quality with the system being tried by DCTV.

There will be a meeting with Rural Development, Inc., on July 14 at 11:00 AM to discuss infrastructure needs for the proposed senior housing site.

Patrick O'Bryan will be teaching an ICS 200 course for town employees and other on July 24 and 25th. from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Board of Health Items: Ms. Ness informed the Board that the Emergency Dispensing Site plan will be ready in two to three weeks and a drill is planned for October 21st, using the flu, pneumonia and tetanus vaccination clinic to be held that day.

Discussion/Decision items:

On a motion by Mr. Paciorek, seconded by Ms. Ness it was unanimously voted to authorize the advertising for a seventh police officer to be hired on or about October 1, 2006.

Authorization for the Police Department to sell a surplus vehicle had been previously granted by the Board

On a motion by Mr. Paciorek, seconded by Ms. Ness it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Emergency Medical Services and hire Anthony Muszynski as an EMT-Basic.

On a motion by Mr. Gilmore, seconded by Mr. Paciorek, it was unanimously voted to accept the resignation of Thomas Stone from the Recreation Committee and to appoint Michael Jenkins in his place. The Board expressed its thanks to Mr. Stone for a long and productive service on the committee.

On a motion by Mr. Paciorek, seconded by Mr. Gilmore, it was unanimously voted to allow the assessors to be represented by Attorney Kenneth W. Gurge, in the appeal filed by CISA over the Assessors ruling on their tax exempt status.

On a motion by Mr. Paciorek, seconded by Ms. Ness, it was unanimously voted to sign the memorandum of understanding with the Franklin County Regional Solid Waste District to conduct the required inspection of the transfer station as required by the Department of Environmental Protection regulations.

On a motion by Mr. Paciorek, seconded by Ms. Ness it was unanimously voted to sign the assurance related to real property acquisition with regard to town owned land along the Deerfield River. NRCS requires this assurance as part of the grant to restore the riverbank.

On a motion by Mr. Gilmore, seconded by Mr. Paciorek, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Town Administrator to request a declaration of emergency from the Department of Environmental Protection for the riverbank restoration project.

Mr. Kubiak requested the board endorse an agreement with Eaglebrook School to use the school's water supply records as a basis for sewer use charges. Mr. Gilmore moved to endorse the agreement, seconded by Mr. Paciorek and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Ness read for the public record an announcement by the Department of Agricultural Resources of its intent to acquire approximately 25 acres for the APR program (the Moody property).

Proposed parking lot: the Board discussed access to Elm Street from the proposed parking lot on the Leary property. The suggestion was made to have Jim Toth work with Keith Wilson to make recommendations on the nature and size of the access to Elm Street.

Mr. Paciorek moved, seconded by Ms. Ness to exercise the authority granted to the Board by the Special Town meeting to proceed with the taking of permanent drainage easements along Lower Road.. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Paciorek asked that the Romanowski matter and a letter to counsel be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

The meeting was then adjourned by the Chair.