Board of Selectmen Meeting April 21, 2008 Minutes

McAuley, Anderson present. There being a quorum and properly posted, McAuley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Anderson recording minutes.

Paul St. Cyr discussed an emergency operations grant approved last year. It awaits approval by the governor's Executive Council. The selectmen must sign off by April 30 and the plan is due by October 15. There is \$4250 in the budget to cover the cost working with SW Regional Planning. The same town entities, FD, PD, Highway, ConCom and selectmen, are involved as with the hazard mitigation plan.

Becky Moul discusses changes in the transfer station log to more accurately reflect revenues. The floor limit for checks at the station is \$5.00. There is a petty cash fund for smaller amounts.

Betsy Hardwick discussed Earth Day May 3. There will be a sign in front of the town offices instead of the town hall.

Barbara Jean Carbee asked about GW Morgan's training schedule and when would "Officer Anderson's hours be cut". McAuley explained that Tom Thibeault is conducting the field training and it must be completed before there is any adjustment in hours.

McAuley discussed recent events regarding resignations. He had requested an exit interview from S. Griffin but hadn't heard back. The board had discussed the vacant selectman position with 4-5 people interested. Applicants for the vacant administrative assistant (AA) position will be interviewed by the full board. The board will consider a re-evaluation of the duties of the AA to include more interface with town boards and commissions, review of payroll procedures and accounts payable.

Martine and Charles Bohnsack observed that three employee resignations tied together with a selectman resigning indicated dissatisfaction with the select board. Roon Frost stated that in private industry selectmen would lose their jobs if so many employees resigned at one time. Polly Freese asked if former selectmen had been contacted. The prior experience is required. There is a lot of unhappiness in town. The runner-up in the recent election must be asked to serve. Betsy Wiederhold observed that the situation is not making people happy. It's been in the newspaper three times. She asked if the AA position had been advertised in the newspaper three times as required.

McAuley moved to adjourn at 7:25 pm. Anderson seconded. 2-0 to adjourn

William McAuley

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