

**Town of Princeton, MA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Regular Meeting
August 6, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Present were Chairman - Joe O'Brien, Members - Raymond Dennehy, Alan Sentkowski and Town Administrator - Dennis Rindone.

FY07 Warrant #29 & FY08 Warrant #4

The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and vendor warrants from the Treasurer & Accountant.

Minutes

July 23, 2007- Regular Meeting – Joe made a motion to accept the minutes. Alan seconded. All in favor (3-0).

July 23, 2007- Executive Session – Joe made a motion to accept the minutes not to be released at this time. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Generator Update

The only generator bid received was from Diesel Service & Supply Company located in Colorado. It will cost \$2000.00 to ship the unit and it's C.O.D. upon arrival. The terms are not ideal, however it has been difficult to find a good used generator. Dennis will ask John Fitch and Ken Whitney if it makes sense for them or a local representative to go check it out prior to agreeing to purchase. In the meantime the Board signed the warrant with the condition that payment will not be mailed until further research is complete.

Holden Trash & Recycling Program

Dennis Lipka, Director of Department of Growth Management for Holden presented information on Holden's new trash program with Casella to the Select Board and the Board of Health. Casella offered the best program with the best rates. The program encourages recycling by providing a 95-gallon recycle bin where recyclables are intermingled into the bin. In addition, a 95 or 65-gallon tote for trash is provided. The fee per household is \$15.00 per month, or \$11.00 per month for seniors. Overflow bags are offered for an additional \$1.00 per bag. Mr. Lipka said Holden is very pleased with the program and it has been positive change for the town since it went into effect on July 2, 2007. The Board thanked Mr. Lipka for his time. Princeton will continue to review all options for the town. Hubbardston is interested in regional trash pick up in order to gain volume.

Master Plan Implementation Committee Scope of Services Discussion

Alan suggests that the Board have recommendations and be ready to appoint members at the August 20th meeting and that the members be encouraged to develop the scope of services.

Committee Openings

Joe suggests sending a list of all openings to current committee members asking for recommendations.

Library Project

The state came out to review the project.

PMLD Flyer Insert Policy

Dennis worked with PMLD to develop a policy for requests to include flyers in monthly bill envelopes. The policy is complete and the Board is pleased with it.

Safety Improvements – Rte 140

Dennis sent a letter of invitation to the Westminster Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, DPW Superintendent and Commissioners to attend a meeting to discuss safety improvements to Rte 140. The meeting will be held on September 18, 2007.

Rte 140 Culvert Bid

The Bid has been postponed until August 23, 2007 at 2:00 PM. An addendum to the bid package will be sent out and will include more specifics.

Procurement

Dennis sent a memo to all departments, boards, commissions and committees describing the policy for procurement of supplies and services.

Thomas Prince School Roof Update

The school is paying for all supplies to caulk roof. Additional issues were discovered with the flashing and Dennis is waiting for the report from Rockwell. There was discussion about getting a third opinion.

GIC Information Session

Joe will attend the session on August 22, 2007 at 8:30 AM.

Longsjo Bike Race

The Longsjo would like to hold its annual bike race on July 4th. The Board agreed to that date.

Country Lane

Alan moved to accept the layout of Brookview Estates also know as Country Lane on the sixth day of August, 2007. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).
The Board signed the Mylar.

Town Meeting Process – Discussion with Moderator & Advisory Board

Town Moderator Harry Pape expressed concern over having two different numbers published for the May Annual Town meeting. One number was published in the printed warrant that was mailed to residents and a different number was on the official warrant. Harry recommends that once a number is published it not be changed except on the town meeting floor. The Select Board and Advisory Board agree that printed numbers should not be changed except on the town meeting floor.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:00 pm. All were in favor (3-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Savoie
Administrative Secretary