

**Town of Princeton, MA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Regular Meeting
November 26, 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.

FY08 Warrant #11

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

Minutes

November 14 2007- Regular Meeting – Alan made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Worcester Regional Retirement System

Kevin Blanchette, Executive Director of the Worcester Regional Retirement System provided an update on the system. He explained the system is in transition. The funds were moved from an under performing fund to a PRIT fund which ranks in the top percentage.

Kevin is working to provide member units with an accurate forecast to assist in planning ahead, including annual updates as opposed to the current 3-year updates. Towns will be offered the option to pay into the system annually rather than semi-annually, resulting in savings of more than 2%.

Dennis will ask Kevin to return in January to discuss retirement options with town employees.

Fratlicelli Oil Spill

A Fratlicelli oil truck lost control on Brooks Station Road and landed on its side spilling over 1500 gallons of oil. Joe commented that the situation was well handled. Chief Raymond LaPorte said that all agencies responded, including DEP, Mass Highway and Regional Hazmat Units. Dennis will follow up with the state engineer and contractor to ensure road is properly repaired. Fratlicelli's insurance company will be responsible for all charges to restore the road and any area affected. The Board asked Dennis to check with the town insurance company.

Ground Water Monitoring

The Board reviewed correspondence from Tighe & Bond regarding continued testing at the Public Safety Complex.

Wachusett Mountain Advisory Council Appointment (WMAC)

Alan moved to approve the appointment of Bill Elcholzer to the WMAC for a term to expire on June 30, 2010. Joe seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Joe will work with Bill to select an alternate. Betsy Burbank is a possible alternate.

CIP Appointments

Joe moved to approve the appointment of Russell H. Mason to be appointed to the CIP for a term to expire on June 30, 2010. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Pilot Meeting

Dennis will attend a meeting at the Statehouse on Wednesday to discuss PILOT with Senator Murray.

Draft FY09 Budget Guideline Letter

Joe moved to accept the final draft written by him and edited by Alan. All were in favor (3-0).

Self-help Grant Requirements & Contract

The Board reviewed the Four Corners Hayfields Self-Help correspondence from the Executive Office of Energy and Environment Affairs. Princeton will receive \$500,000 in assistance. Some requirements include signage, a parking lot with handicap accessibility, a written land use management plan and open bidding on the hayfields.

Town Pound Gift of Land

Joyce Anderson worked to secure the donation of land known as the Town Pound near Meetinghouse Cemetery. The Pound is on the National Historic Register.

JoEllen Quigly Ferm donated .21 acres of her 2.9 acre lot to the town. Details are being finalized and an ANR form will be submitted to the Planning Board for approval and the Select Board must have a formal vote to accept.

Joe moved to enter into agreement to accept the donation of land. A deed and property description will follow. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Other Business

At 6:45 PM Alan moved to go into executive session for the purpose of police department contract negotiations and will return to meet with the Advisory Board. Raymond seconded. All were in favor (3-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Savoie
Administrative Secretary