

**Town of Sheffield  
Board of Selectmen  
Minutes  
February 20, 2007  
7 p.m.**

Board Members Present: David Macy, Chairman  
Julie Hannum, Clerk  
James Collingwood

Others Present: Robert Weitz, Town Administrator

Chairman Macy called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** Selectman Hannum moved to approve the minutes from February 5, 2007 and Executive Session Minutes from February 5, 2007, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. The motion carried unanimously.

**MAIL OF NOTE:** Administrator Weitz read a letter received from Mr. and Mrs. Kilmer requesting tuition for their son to attend the Housatonic Valley Agricultural Vocation program. Discussion ensued on the program and the tuition costs. Selectman Hannum moved to fund the tuition for Harrison Kilmer to attend the Housatonic Valley Agricultural Vocation, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. The motion carried unanimously.

**SOLID WASTE BIDS:** Four bids were received and opened from the following companies for solid waste recycling disposal: Allied Waste, Master Garbologist, Eco Waste and Valley Roll-off. The lowest bid was from Eco Waste. The bids are valid for 45 days and would go into effect on July 1, 2007. Administrator Weitz will check references. Discussion ensued on location of the disposal.

**ANTIQUÉ LICENSE:** An application was received from Linda Rosen Antiques at 576 North Main Street for a license to sell antiques. Selectman Hannum moved to grant a license to sell antiques to Linda Rosen Antique, 576 North Main Street, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. The motion carried unanimously.

**TOWN MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:** Administrator Weitz recommended that the Board adopt a policy Fiscal Year mileage reimbursement. The current amount paid is .40 per mile. The IRS approved rate is .48.5 per mile. Selectman Hannum moved to accept the IRS rate for mileage reimbursement, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. The motion passed unanimously. Selectman Hannum requested that the Selectmen be notified when changes are made to the mileage rate.

**SELECTMEN ITEMS:**

Selectmen Hannum discussed upcoming meetings and locations for the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage. Discussion ensued on the program and the needs of Sheffield to participate in the program.

Selectman Collingwood inquired on the location of disposal of recyclables. Administrator Weitz stated that they must go to MFR in Springfield.

Selectman Hannum discussed an e-mail she received discussing internet access for all residents in Sheffield. The e-mail will be placed in the Selectmen's office for the board to review. Selectman

Hannum stated that surrounding town's have begun to appoint Technology Committees to access internet access for residents and she questioned whether this would be useful to Sheffield. Discussion ensued on a Technology Committee.

Chairman Macy commended the Highway Department for the outstanding job they did during the last storm.

Chairman Macy reminded all residents not to park in the Village Green during a snow storm and that plowing snow into a road is illegal.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Peter Traub, Chairman of the Senior Center Building Committee was present to request that the name of the Senior Center be changed to the Center. Discussion ensued. Administrator Weitz will check with Town Counsel on the name change. Discussion ensued on the appointment of Grace Campbell to the Senior Center Building Committee.

Kathy Orlando was present and distributed copies of an update from the Sheffield Land Trust. Discussion ensued on the projects that the land trust is currently working on.

Selectman Hannum moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Macy adjourned the meeting at 7:37 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Rhonda LaBombard  
Recording Secretary