

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES–July 29, 2013

SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES

Present: Mr. Bergeron, Mr. Fydenkevez and Mr. Pierce

Others: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator

Behind the Camera: Tom Zimnowski

- Call to order at 7:07 p.m.
- Sewer Connection Hearing – Williams, 210 North Main Street. 1600 sq. ft. living space, 2 bathrooms, 1 laundry. Written correspondence received from WWTP operator and Highway Superintendent. Mr. Fydenkevez-pitch needs to be sufficient to tie into manhole. Bruce Bennett-extra cost for list of abutters. Jim Williams-suggest clarifications to application and policy. Discussion regarding simple tie-ins, review and clarification. Motion to approve sewer connection for 210 North Main Street by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Frontier Regional School Capital Requests - Marti Barrett, Superintendent of Schools. Discussion regarding capital requests; form of vote; legal interpretation. Mr. Fydenkevez-regional school district could do debt exclusion. Discussion regarding debt process for funding long term capital plan; options for vehicle purchase; Ms. Barrett-student van is top priority; resubmitting request to place on next town meeting warrant. Mr. Bergeron-need to clarify impact of the 4 towns' votes.
- Public Comment - Albin Koblinski-satellite dish at Sunderland Elementary School (SES) is an eyesore and needs to be removed. Lighting along driveway is fixed. Swamp area by school-water is rising. Should have a fence around that area. (North of SES driveway). Mr. Fydenkevez-Conservation has had ditch study done-waiting for results. Discussion regarding truck traffic on North Main Street.
- July 15, 2013 Minutes - Motion by Mr. Pierce to accept the minutes, 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 2-0.
- July 22, 2013 Minutes - Motion by Mr. Fydenkevez to accept the minutes, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Underground Storage Tank License Amendment - Change name property owner-7-Eleven to Apache Oil Co. Requires Board of Selectmen Chair signature. Motion by Mr. Fydenkevez to allow chair to sign the amended license, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Town Administrator Updates -Solar project, excess levy capacity, Green Communities projects, etc.
- Board of Selectmen Updates-Mr. Fydenkevez-currently don't have Treasurer/Collector. Vacancies (long & short term) put a strain on the Town. Helen Telega passed away this past week. Condolences to her family.
- Regional EMS – Mr. Bergeron-overview of process. Mr. Fydenkevez-not a mature department yet. Proposed staffing plan is for an established department. Need to see how the service works before jumping into fully staffed full-time department. Chief Ahearn- presented staffing model within consultant's Year-1 budget at the meeting prior to Deerfield EMS Director's staffing proposal submission. Suggests co-directors (1 for each shift). Mr. Fydenkevez-discussion needed to identify a model acceptable to everyone. Discussion regarding transition and start up. Mr. Bergeron-wouldn't look favorably on eliminating or reducing use of on-call. Mr. Fydenkevez-Ms. Nartowicz to send out Chief Ahearn's staffing model to other towns for further review. Mr. Pierce-"Option 4" becomes mission statement. Give notice to the Deerfield and Whately Boards that at the next meeting, Sunderland would like to discuss staffing- advantages, disadvantages, transition, etc., location-must provide expected response time, and IMA-makeup of Oversight Board, proposed STM dates. Mr. Fydenkevez-Motion to send agenda out, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Comcast License Renewal Discussions Designee-Motion by Mr. Fydenkevez and 2nd by Mr. Bergeron to have Mr. Pierce serve as designee. Vote 3-0.
- Treasurer/Collector Position-Second meeting with Robert Kane-Board's August 5th meeting at 6:00pm. Motion to approve Treas/Coll job description amendments by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0. Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fydenkevez and 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Z. Nartowicz
Town Administrator