

**Minutes of Selectboard Meeting
November 4th , 2015**

Present at Meeting:

Bert Potter, Selectmen; Aaron Korzun, Selectman; Steven Nicholson, Selectmen; Linda McGuire, Treasurer; Sharon Winnicki, Lister; Mark Goodwin, Clerk

Andrew Clark – Rutland Herald

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Selectman Potter

Approval of Agenda:

Bert moved and Steven seconded to approve the agenda.

Modifications: Additions- Conservation Commission resignation and nomination, Permit for work in the ROW and request for an additional non-profit funding request for the Annual Meeting ballot. With modifications, Approved

Lister Budget:

Sharon Winnicki, Chair of the Board of Listers wanted to convey her assessment of the status of the Lister budget in relation to the tasks that still need completion in 2015. Sharon indicated that because the current year was particularly different with the State's Current Use "Opt Out" program, the Lister Salaries budget may be getting close to exceeding the reduced budgeted amount. The "Opt Out" program necessitated unanticipated additional tasks that had impacted the budget. In addition some of the scheduling of inspection of new construction was being moved up, in order to take advantage of snow free weather and that there appears to be more properties on the market than in past few years, necessitated a larger "Sales Study Report" than previously produced. All of these tasks have impacted the overall requirements that need to be accomplished by the Listers. Sharon wanted to apprise the Selectboard of that status as well as requesting instruction as to how to proceed as the salary budget reaches the full allocation. The Selectboard was of the consensus that with two more months remaining on the budget, that they will monitor the expenditures and work with the Listers to minimize any overages that may occur.

Dog / Wolf Hybrid Ordinance:

Steven briefed the Selectboard of the rationale for updating the ordinance. Specifically at the request of the Sheriff, who had requested an update when he agreed to enter into a contract pertaining to nuisance dogs. Steven also indicated that it included a component for enforcement, specifically relating to the Judicial Bureau procedures.

Steven requested that the other Selectboard members review the proposed ordinance in order to discuss at a future meeting.

Open to the Public:

No public present.

New Business:

Appointments:

Bert moved and Aaron seconded to accept the resignation of Carol Calotta from the Conservation Commission with regrets and thanked her for her service to the Town. Approved

Steven moved and Bert seconded to appoint Peter Grace to the Conservation Commission effective today, with a term expiring March 5, 2019. Approved

Permit to Work in the Right of Way:

A request was received from John Berry hill for a curb cut on Button Hill Rd. in order to accommodate construction of a new house.

Bert moved and Steven seconded to approve the permit for Work in the ROW. Discussion: Because none of the ancillary permits have yet to be issued, the permit is granted contingent on the conditions of the ZA and DRB in respect to the Subdivision and building permits. Approved

Non-Profit Funding Request:

A request was received for the addition on the Annual Meeting ballot of \$150 to support the Rutland County Human Society. Aaron will be contacting Darcy Nelson in order to schedule a presentation for the first Selectboard meeting in December.

Generator Maintenance Contract:

Bert moved and Aaron seconded to continue the service contract with Brook Field Services for the Town Office generator. Approved

SWAC Update:

Bert updated the Selectboard that Shrewsbury has been dropped by the State as a designated E-Waste site. N. Clarendon and Gleason Road sites are still operable. Bert has not been able to ascertain what the rationale was for Shrewsbury being dropped, except that the contract financial parameters for e-Waste disposal with the State were reduced.

Bert is investigating private contractors, who will be able to be utilized at the same or near the same costs per ton. Shrewsbury Transfer Station will continue to accept e-Waste and hold it until a suitable alternative can be found.

Minutes:

Aaron moved and Bert seconded to approve the minutes of October 21st, 2015. Discussion: Aaron noted that the period of requests for consideration for the Lincoln Hill Culvert Project by the State and their contractor, Casella Construction had expired in September. Approved

Orders

Bert moved and Steven seconded to approve:

Road Commissioner Orders # 11 of November 4, 2015 for \$5,000.36 and Selectboard Orders # 11 of November 4, 2015 for \$13,317.94. (Note: \$10,117.21 of the SB Order amount was for refund of Shrewsbury Tax over payments.) No discussion. Approved

Punch Card Drawing:

Nelson Haley was drawn as the winner of a \$10 Punch Card for the Transfer Station.

FEMA Reimbursements:

Bert will be contacting Woody to ascertain the status of FEMA reimbursements for the closed out PWs.

Health Insurance:

Steven will be updating the annual Health Connect insurance reimbursement notification letter for the Road Crew to be utilized for enrollment / re-enrollment.

Meeting was duly adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Goodwin, Town Clerk

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Selectboard at the next regularly scheduled meeting.