



MINUTES OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2015
WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen Members.

Members present: Richard Gray, Jr., Ray Bates, Dan Gordon and Ronnie Brann. Jonathan Adams arrived at 6:28 p.m.

Public Attending: Tom Reed, Pete Kelley, Ray Chavarie, Carol Chavarie, Jamie Ward, Dennis Spencer, Ron Simbari, Bruce Verfaillie, Leroy Richards, Betty Bickford, Charles Gilley, Joseph DeProfio, John Lavin and Theresa Cook.

Employees Attending: Theresa Haskell (*Town Manager*), Keith Hall (*Road Supervisor*) and Tim Coston (*Transfer Station Supervisor*). Debbie French (*Secretary to the BOS*) was absent due to covering the front office.

Ray Bates called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Dan Gordon made a motion to approve Minutes dated 11-3-15 and 12-1-15 as written seconded by Ronnie Brann and approved 4-0-0.

Public Comment:

- a) Auburn Asphalt: Ron Simbari gave a presentation on how the plant operates. With only being able to operate 30 – 40 weeks per year they are potentially losing 15,000 tons per year because of the hours of operation. Currently they are working on a 6:00 a.m. plant start up (which use to be a 5:00 a.m. plant start up), 7:00 a.m. load trucks and 6:00 p.m. plant shut down. They are asking the Board of Selectmen and residents to change the working hours to where they use to be. Some residents still say they have some issues with smell and noise. Ronnie Brann asked if a reading could be done at their resident's where they are the ones complaining. Theresa Cook said she feels the Board of Selectmen is not listening to her. This plant was not here when she moved here and no one is listening to her. She said she can feel the vibration of this plant inside her home. Bruce Verfaillie said he still can smell the odor and he can hear the noise. There was much discussion. **Jonathan Adams made a motion to change the operation hours at the Auburn Asphalt Plant in Windsor to have a 5:00 a.m. plant start up and a 6:45 p.m. plant shut down time, seconded by Rick Gray Jr. and approved 5-0-0.** Tom Reed said he would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for doing what is right.
- b) Jerry Nault said the solar wall at the Windsor School is now up and running. It is by the library and it pre-warms the air in this cavity. When the outdoor air temperature was 38 degrees and barely sunny out the temperature increased 15 degrees so the system does work. The pre-warm air is fed to the furnace and it will take that much less time to get to temperature. Also the wall will reduce if not completely eliminate freeze ups.

Public Works:

- a) Keith said he went out patching where needed.
- b) Keith also said the dirt roads are getting bad and are rutting up.

- c) Keith said he approved a driveway on the Reed Road for Longfellow's Hydroseeding but the volume of water that it is producing the state may want to take a look at this because the water flow is going down Route 105. Keith said he will contact the state and let them know.
- d) Keith said he also graded up the Transfer Station ramp area by the large scales and it looks good.
- e) Rick Gray said he has been walking down the Choate Road and the Shuman Road walking his dog and he said we need to look into the shoulders and we may need Rip Rap to hold the side of the road so we don't lose the new pavement.
- f) Keith said there was an accident at the end of the Shuman Road and the person went straight across the Choate Road into the wood log road. We may want to put up a double yellow/black arrow there.
- g) Keith said we need to contact DOT about a tree that is down in the river at the Maxcy's Mills bridge for them to look at about it being removed. It will cause damage.
- h) Tim said he will be going for his road test tomorrow.

Transfer Station:

- a) The lighting is in and the quote has been written. We are waiting on quotes.
- b) The wood pile is gone.
- c) Tim said Waste Management said the compactor binders do not fit the cans when the cans are under pressure and need to be changed. We either need a longer rod or have it re-plated and cut a hole in all three cans in the same spot. Ronnie Brann said Steve Daniels in Augusta can thread and weld a hook to the rod an extra 6". We will need four of these and Tim said he would check into this.
- d) Theresa said she will call Carl at Acme Scales to see what we need to do now. We will also need to order printing cards for the printer.

Animal Control:

- a) Tim said the beavers are still an issue but he is working on them.

Consideration of Warrants # 30 and # 31:

Jonathan Adams made a motion to approve Warrants # 30 and # 31 seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-1. Ronnie Brann abstained because he has a check in the warrant.

Town Manager's Items:

- a) Theresa handed out the 3 Month Budget for the Board of Selectmen's review.
- b) Theresa said the Fire Department/Rescue reimbursements line may be under budgeted and suggested we wait to see where we stand in May.
- c) Theresa said we will need to go over the Town Hall Rental Agreement because we have had some issues and we will need to vote to make changes. We will do this at a future meeting.
- d) Theresa said we have to vote on the DS200 Voting System User Agreement. **Rick Gray Jr. made a motion to have Theresa Haskell sign the DS300 Voting System User Agreement, seconded by Ronnie Brann and approved 5-0-0.**
- e) Theresa said she did mil rate comparison over the past 26.5 years and the average mil rate is 13.56. We are currently at 11.9. The mil rate ranges from 10.0 mils (2006) to 17.4 mils (2004).
- f) **Jonathan Adams made a motion to suspend as Board of Selectmen at 8:35 p.m. and to convene as Board of Assessors, seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 5-0-0.** Theresa handed out an Abatement that the Assessor's Agent and provided. **Ray Bates made a motion to approve the Abatement for Micheline McCrohan, in the amount of \$77.35 for Account #694, seconded by Rick Gray Jr. and approved 5-0-0. Jonathan made a motion to adjourn as Board of Assessors and reconvene as Board of Selectmen at 8:40 p.m., seconded by Ray Bates and approved 5-0-0.**

Selectmen's Items:

- a) Ray Bates said he went to a training class regarding the Freedom of Access Act. He said we need to have an officer or someone in charge of all the documentations that people are requesting. Theresa said that Angela handles these.

Chairman Ray Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on **December 29, 2015**

The next Regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa L. Haskell
Town Manager