



MINUTES OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 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.

Members absent: Jonathan Adams.

Public Attending: Tom Reed, Joyce Perry, Carol Chavarie, Ray Chavarie, Trevor Strout, Dennis Strout, Kevin Ready & Arthur Strout.

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

Ray Bates called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing for Referendum Question Regarding the Purchase of a New Fire Truck:

Chairman, Ray Bates opened the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m. **Ronnie Brann made a motion to recess the Public Hearing until 7:00 p.m. seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0.** Ray Bates recessed the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Rick Gray, Jr. made a motion to approve the Minutes dated 10-6-15 as written seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0.

Public Comment:

- a) North Windsor Baptist Church Fencing: Rick would like to know who is going to replace the fencing. Keith said that he got a price for the replacement of the fence from McLaughlin Fence Company for \$1,000.00 and said they would be able to do the job next week. If additional materials are needed they will be added to the \$1,000.00. Much discussion. Ray said why not just get it done and charge it to the Cemetery Line as there is available money there. **Ronnie Brann made a motion to have the fencing at the North Windsor Cemetery replaced by McLaughlin Fence Company for \$1,000.00 with any extra materials at an added price and to be charged to the Cemetery Line seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0.**
- b) Cemetery Lot Conveyance: **Ronnie Brann made a motion to approve the sale/conveyance of a cemetery lot in Rest Haven South to Karolyn York Rideout once this is paid on Thursday seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0.**
- c) Joyce Perry made a request to have all the cemeteries close on November 1st and the BOS agreed.

Public Works:

- a) Keith said that 1 (one) PW employee from the state along with the Windsor Volunteer Fire Department and the Windsor PW cleared & sanded the road in front of the school where a fish truck spilled a huge amount of slimy fish and fish parts. Keith said that even though the road is clear, all the fish are in the ditches and will smell bad tomorrow! Theresa said she will contact DOT and have them come clean it up.
- b) The Jones Road has been ground and should be paved on Thursday.
- c) There is a hydraulic leak on the new Western Star and HP Fairfield will be coming to fix it.

- d) PW put 4 loads of gravel on the Reed Road today and graded it. Keith said that it is much better than it was. Theresa said that the law states that there are 4 different steps to closing a road that should be completed between May 1st and November 1st so we will wait till next year to discuss closing the Reed Road for the winter season.

Transfer Station:

- a) Transfer Station Lighting: Theresa and Ronnie will go down to the TS tomorrow night to check out the lighting to see how it is now that the lights on the poles have been disconnected.
- b) We ordered ten (10) of the fobs for the new gate but can only find eight (8) of them. Keith said that the gate is working for the most part but there is still something not quite right with the wiring.
- c) Theresa said that they cannot use the big scales yet as we have to wait for the certification. Much discussion.
- d) We need a price on electric baseboard heat with a thermostat for the scale building. Theresa asked Tim to check into it.
- e) There was discussion regarding the purchase of a snow blower to be used between the cans and around the buildings. Ronnie said that he will look into it.
- f) Waste Management came and dropped a new demo can while taking the other one and they will be placing an additional one at no extra cost to us as it will be their cans.
- g) The 1st new compactor is in but not completely operational. A truck is coming tomorrow to pull the old compactor out. The company is willing to take the old one and take \$500.00 off the new one. **Ray Bates made a motion to accept the offer seconded by Ronnie Brann and approved 4-0-0.**

Ray Bates made a motion to suspend as the BOS and to open the Public Hearing seconded by Ronnie Brann and approved 4-0-0 at 7:00 p.m. Some Fire Department Volunteers were here but no new people representing the public. The question on the ballot pretty much sums it all up. This will be voted on at the November 3rd election. Ray declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:09 p.m.

Ray Bates made a motion to reconvene as BOS seconded by Rick Gray, Jr. and approved 4-0-0 at 7:17 p.m.

Animal Control:

- a) Theresa said that ACO, Peter Nerber, has been out giving ten day warnings to owners of unlicensed dogs and quite a few have already come in to license them tonight!

Consideration of Warrants # 20, #21 and # 22:

Dan Gordon made a motion to approve warrants # 20, #21 and # 22 seconded by Ray Bates and approved 4-0-0.

Town Manager's Items:

- a) 2015 Municipal Valuation Return: **Rick Gray, Jr. made a motion to recess as BOS and to convene as Board of Assessors (BOA) seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0 at 7:31 p.m.** Vern has the return ready for the BOA which must be signed and filed by November 1st. **Ray Bates made a motion to sign the 2015 Municipal Valuation Return seconded by Rick Gray, Jr. and approved 4-0-0.** After the signing the return by the BOA, **Ray Bates made a motion to adjourn as BOA and to reconvene as BOS seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0 at 7:44 p.m.**
- b) The BOS had previously accepted the bid from McGee Construction at the October 6, 2015 meeting for the snow plowing contract this year and now the BOS are signing the McGee Contract.
- c) The BOS give Debbie permission to re-issue a check to an outside agency that has been lost in the mail but had been issued in fiscal year 2015 in the amount of \$125.00. The auditor said to just re-issue a check and not put through a warrant as it has already been recorded in a previous 2015 warrant so that the accounts will not be affected/unbalanced.

- d) **Ronnie Brann made a motion to approve an amount up to \$1,500.00 for floor treading on the new ramps for safety issues seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0.**

Selectmen's Items:

- a) Rick said just as you come down Weeks Mills Road going by Swan's Pit on the Twenty Rod Road there is a washout that needs to be taken care of. Theresa said she will have Keith look at it and take care of it.
- b) There is a big hole on the side of the road on Route 32 by the North Windsor Baptist Church Cemetery that the state needs to be taken care of.
- c) Ronnie asked about the Greeley Landing and when they are going to finish it. We will have to check into that.

Chairman Ray Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on **November 3, 2015** as written.

The next Regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie French
Secretary to the Board of Selectmen