

TOWN OF MARLBORO
REGULAR SELECTBOARD MEETING
Thursday, May 24, 2012

ATTENDANCE:

Present were select board members Craig Hammond, chair, Andrea Livermore and Pieter van Loon. Also present were David Elliott, Road Foreman; Glenn Herrin, Emergency Management Director; Adam Katrick, applicant for Animal Control Officer; Mike Renaud of Renaud Brothers, Inc., Vernon; Robin Fellows and Matt Belden of Daniels Construction, Ascutney; and Marcia Hamilton, Select Board Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE OF PAY ORDERS:

The board approved and signed pay orders, and noted questions about missing back-up material.

SCHEDULED AND UNSCHEDULED TIME:

No member of the public was present during the unscheduled open public comment period.

Discussion began with the possibility of paving 4/10 of a mile on Higley Hill Road from the existing end of pavement on the west end. The board members were interested in the costs and benefits, but did not take a vote. David Elliott stated there is a paving schedule and the lower portion of Higley Hill Road and Augur Hole Road were recently paved then portions repaved after damage caused by Tropical Storm Irene.

The second bid opening for Bridge #23 on Collins Road brought in representatives and bids from Daniels Construction of Ascutney and Renaud Brothers of Vernon. David Elliott provided information about FEMA's requirements for the bridge and he asked the select board to consider replacing all of the beams and adding bridge rails whether FEMA goes along with it or not. If FEMA does not approve, the town would incur the additional \$42,835 cost. Daniels' bid included the cost of new rails and beams in its proposal. The board voted (van Loon/Livermore) to accept the Daniels bid of \$91,835 plus the options of rails and beams (\$42, 835) whether FEMA would approve and reimburse or not. The total Daniels bid was \$134,670 and Renaud's was \$260,000 which included a temporary bridge. The Collins Road bridge is expected to be completed by fall.

Craig Hammond asked David prior to the meeting to provide an outline of David's plans for preventative and remaining restorative summer road work. Discussion was postponed to a future meeting.

Craig provided an update for David about EWP/NRCS plans for the Martis property on Augur Hole Road.

The review of Barry Cahoon's requirements for stream bank stabilization next to bridge #7 on Augur Hole Road was tabled.

Glenn Herrin, Emergency Management Director, presented the radiological program budget for the year-end close-out. He also outlined his quarterly activities and plans for the next several months.

Discussion ensued regarding whether to have an emergency management committee and how it would be comprised. Craig suggested the committee that exists be advisory in nature. Andrea reported she and Glenn met after the last meeting and they agreed the committee would determine who needs to be represented. The Emergency Operations Committee is a separate entity and some members may be represented on the advisory committee. A question remains; does the town want an Emergency Management committee? If so, what is its relationship to the EMD and what do we do with the 2007 committee, morph it or disband it? A discussion would be scheduled at a select board meeting sometime in the future.

The Animal Control Officer candidate, Adam Katrick, discussed his interest in the position and commented on how he would react in certain scenarios presented by the select board members. Craig requested reference names be emailed to the select board address. After further investigation the board will make a decision at the next meeting. One other candidate indicated possible interest in the position as a result of an article in the Mixer, but she did not follow through. No other candidate submitted a letter or resume of interest.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board approved the minutes of the regular meeting of 05/10/2012 and the special meeting of 05/14/2012.

OLD BUSINESS

Pieter van Loon reported a website, broadbandvt.org that reveals Internet service available around the state and demonstrated how it is applied in specific neighborhoods in Marlboro.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board signed a Driveway Permit for Dan and Lyndsey Boyd on Ames Hill Road.

The select board discussed the email from Anne Johnson and Geoffrey Dolman stating they would like to continue mowing the Muster Field formerly mowed by Richard Petrie. Pieter van Loon will look into a lease format for a formal arrangement. Craig will let them know the town may want to enter into a lease agreement with them soon after further study. Andrea questioned the applicability of liability insurance and felt the need for input from the town's carrier, Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL:

Craig Hammond signed the Vermont Recreation Trails Program Grant Agreement for Hogback Mountain Conservation Area Trail System in the amount of \$500.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia L. Hamilton, Select Board Assistant