

TOWN OF MARLBORO
REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, May 12, 2016

ATTENDANCE:

Present were select board members Tyler Gibbons, chair; Pieter van Loon, Vice Chair; Patti Smith. Also present were David Elliott, Road Foreman; Mike Andreotta, Emergency Management Director; Lisa Hecht, resident on Higley Hill Road; and Marcia Hamilton, Select Board Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting came to order at 5:05 PM.

IDENTIFY ANY CHANGES TO AGENDA:

No changes were made to the agenda.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS:

Lisa Hecht spoke during the unscheduled open public comment period about the proposal of residents to paint "Cowpath 40" on the boulder by Cowpath 40. The boulder was placed there by the highway department several years ago with the intent for Lisa and a friend to paint "Cowpath 40" on it because street signs are constantly being stolen and replaced. Lisa will contact Erica Morse who initiated the proposal. The select board authorized the two parties to work together.

The board approved and signed Pay Orders.

The board voted (Gibbons/van Loon) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 04/28/2016.

The board reviewed and discussed the Draft Marlboro Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Pieter noted the comments made and will send them to Alyssa Sabetto, Planner at Windham Regional Commission.

Mike Andreotta distributed copies of the Local Emergency Operations Plan update led discussion of it. Mike will file the final version with the State.

OLD BUSINESS:

Regarding the update on the Milne property, culvert and beavers, Patti reported that the property caretaker was going to meet with a representative of Agency of Natural Resources for an opinion and Patti is not aware that has occurred. There was no further update or discussion.

The board discussed another draft letter submitted by Francie Marbury, Principal of Marlboro Elementary School. The letter requests an expansion of the area to be covered in the proposed speed reduction on Route 9 near the school. The board voted (van Loon/Gibbons) to approve and sign the letter.

No select board member was available to attend the Wood Heat Tour, although school board members and the principal attended the meeting. No further action was taken.

Pieter reported on the Water Resources and Infrastructure Public Meeting he attended in Townshend. He said there are new procedures and protective measures to be taken after flooding occurs. Applications for in stream permits to do repair work may be made online. A road inventory will be required but elements have not been identified. The projects on the inventory will be prioritized and plans will be developed to resolve problem issues. We will have to just add an element provided by Windham Regional Commission (WRC) because we have already compiled an inventory. WRC has a web page dedicated to this.

The board voted (van Loon/Gibbons) to adopt the Amendment to the Marlboro Traffic Ordinance which would allow the Town to collect a percentage of fines collected by the State for speeding violations that occur on Route 9 in Marlboro. The ordinance amendment will take effect July 11, 2016 unless a petition signed by at least five percent of the voters of Marlboro is filed with the Town Clerk by June 25, 2016 asking for a vote to disapprove the ordinance amendment. If a petition is received, the Marlboro Select Board will warn a special meeting and the voters may vote on that question. Currently, the Town may collect a percentage of fines for speeding violations only on Town roads.

NEW BUSINESS

The discussion about rock painting near Cowpath 40 occurred during the unscheduled open public comment period.

The select board authorized Linda Peters, Treasurer, to talk with the Brattleboro Savings and Loan about obtaining a line of credit or a loan of up to \$226,000.00 to cover the upcoming paving project in June or July. Tax bills will be sent out in July but revenue is not likely to accumulate in time to pay for the paving project.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL:

David Elliott reported that a landowner wants a log home kit delivered to a site on Gilbert Road but there are some trees that may be in the way that would need the inspection and advice of the Tree Warden. Pieter van Loan, Tree Warden, will go to the site and make an assessment.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia L. Hamilton, Select Board Assistant