

TOWN OF MARLBORO
REGULAR SELECTBOARD MEETING
Thursday, August 23, 2012

ATTENDANCE:

Present were select board members Craig Hammond, Chair; Andrea Livermore and Pieter van Loon. Also present were Ellen McCulloch Lovell, President of Marlboro College; David Elliott, Road Foreman; Nancy Romer and Lew Friedman of Whitaker Farm Road; Mary Sargent, Zoning Administrator; and select board assistant, Marcia Hamilton.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting came to order at 6:00 PM.

APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE OF PAY ORDERS

The board approved and signed pay orders.

SCHEDULED AND UNSCHEDULED TIME

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

Ellen McCulloch Lovell stated college students and faculty would be returning within the week and ideally the Windham County Sheriff's Department would be visible for awareness of traffic safety. Craig will contact the WCSD to ask for a deputy and a smart cart that electronically calls out the speed of the oncoming driver. Ellen reviewed upcoming college events and mentioned there is information contained in a daily town crier email sent from the college. Anyone interested in receiving it could contact Sunny Tappan and request to be added to the mailing list.

Nancy Romer, resident and Lew Friedman, President of Church Hollow Homeowners Association, came to request consideration that the private part of Whitaker Farm Road be accepted by the town. David Elliott reviewed the procedure and stated past experiences with similar activity. Nancy will produce a centerline survey of the road and will try to bring it when the board meets on Tuesday, September 11. There will be more discussion on that date.

Mary Sargent was present to review some zoning administration matters. No decisions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The board approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 08/02/2012 and the Special Meeting of 08/16/2012.

OLD BUSINESS

The board discussed an email letter from Cullen Meves, Planner with Windham Regional Commission, headed Marlboro Town Office Weatherization Retrofit Follow-Up. He asked whether anyone would be interested in attending their forum on improving efficiency in municipal buildings this fall. He wants the Marlboro representative to speak about their experience with weatherizing the Town Office and to assess the potential for moving forward

with another project (parsed from his letter). The board will contact him and indicate the town is interested and once we have a date, we will arrange for someone to attend.

There was more discussion regarding 30 power poles and wires being erected on Church Hollow Road by Green Mountain Power-Central Vermont Public Service. Craig asked Piet to have resident Eric Weitzner call GMP-CVPS to come out and meet with the residents who are concerned.

NEW BUSINESS

Andrea brought forth information regarding Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Application Workshops for those affected by Tropical Storm Irene who may still need assistance. Andrea will write a letter to inform all of those who experienced any damage as a result of the storm of the workshop.

Craig updated the board on the FEMA Appeal for Bridge 23 on Collins Road. The town feels more work is required than FEMA has approved to bring the bridge back to safety and in the condition it was before the storm. The town has appealed FEMA's original decision, and has asked for a timely decision on this appeal in order that bridge work can proceed and be completed this fall.

The board approved the Driveway Permit for Kent and Patricia Webster on Butterfield Road to cut an approach to undeveloped land next to their house.

The board discussed Ed Metcalfe's letter requesting assistance from the select board to reduce the speed limit on Route 9 over Hogback. Craig will call Ed Metcalfe and ask for more information before the board undertakes to request the move to the state.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL

The board approved the request of The Vermont Performance Lab to install a portable toilet behind the Town Office building when VPL uses the Town House for a week at the end of September.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia L. Hamilton
Select Board Assistant