

Waterford Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, September 12, 2016
Town Clerk's Office

Attendees:

Selectmen: Gary Allard, Fred Saar, Brent Beck

Road Foreman: Lisle Houghton

Clerk: Joanne Jurentkuff

Assistant Clerk: Jessy Pelow

Others: Kevin Fontecha, Kevin Gillander, Howard Remick, David Morrison, Carroll Campbell, Donna Heath, Beth Kanell, Norrine Williams, Ann Hockridge

OPENING: Fred opened the Selectmen's meeting at 7:30 p.m. Brent made the motion to approve the minutes for August 8th & 15th. Gary seconded the motion. All approved. The Selectmen signed the minutes and orders. Joanne presented the budget report to date.

Citizens Concerns: Beth Kanell-Waterford history group: Morrison art work- Beth gave a presentation on the history of William Jay Morrison and his handmade buildings. The blacksmith shop and dollhouse in particular, will be available for viewing at the congregational church. Along with the dollhouse comes the handmade furniture for it. Beth said so far the Waterford History group blog has a total of 29,000 views. She expressed her interest in having a potential community center for the town of Waterford and how it would give people the opportunity to view historic items. Within this discussion the pastor of the congregational church, Ann Hockridge, explained that the church later down the road could be a dual use. Meaning, a church, but also a potential conference hall in the basement of the building or even town offices. Mrs. Kannell said that right now there is quite a bit of grant money available for potential dual use of a historic building such as the church. The selectmen liked the idea of this and want to form a committee. Brent, Beth and Donna volunteered to be on the committee.

Gary made the motion to form a committee to search and write up a grant for the dual use of the historic Congregational Church. Fred seconded. All approved.

East Village Road update- Project is almost complete subject to a few more things to be done.

Other: Lisle said that the River Road Project will be beginning and that the road will be closed during this time.

Fire Department Chevy C30 Truck- The selectmen discussed the acquisition of the C30 truck that TransCanada donated to the Waterford Fire Department. The Selectmen agreed that the truck would work well with the sander, and agreed that the \$5,000 price quoted by Chief Fontecha was fair. Brent made the motion to purchase the truck for the Town Road Crew for \$5,000, and Gary seconded based on an inspection of the truck by Wes Ward Auto. The motion passed unanimously.

Tax Mapping Software update- state wide project: Fred is going to get more information about the state wide project. Joanne stated that CAI is finishing up a few things that needed correcting for the tax maps and things should be online soon.

Red Cross Donation: The Selectboard agreed that the Red Cross can put together a petition for an appropriation of \$500 from the town. Beth suggested getting in touch with Mrs. Alberta Colby because she is connected with the Red Cross. Joanne will follow up on this and get in touch with Mrs. Colby.

Sign for Lower Waterford Cemetery- The Lower Waterford Cemetery sign is in dire need of updating. When visitors are wanting to go to the cemetery they often cannot find it and are stopping at nearby homes asking where it is located. Within this discussion all of the other 10 cemeteries in Waterford could use updated signage. The selectmen thought this could be a good Eagle Scout project when one is needed. In the meantime, Lisle will order a reflective sign to be put at the Lower Waterford Cemetery until something different can be made.

Robert DuMaire Resignation & new appointment: The selectmen accepted Mr. DuMaire's resignation and thank him for his time served. Gary said that Mike Barrett will fill in as a DRB member until the spot can be filled. The Selectmen thought maybe the clerk could be an alternate in case there is not a quorum.

Fred made the motion to appoint Mike Barrett to the DRB. Gary seconded. All approved.

Fred made the motion to appoint the clerk of the Planning and DRB as an alternate person. Gary seconded. All approved.

Updating of lights-Clerk's office, childrens room in Library, Post Office: Joanne got quotes for what it would cost for updating to LED lights for these rooms. Only the children's room is in need right now. Brent made the motion to have Waterford Electric update the Children's room lighting in the Library. Gary seconded. All approved.

Signature for generator agreement: Fred signed the generator agreement.

ACT 250 delegation of authority: Fred signed the ACT 250 delegation form.

Other: The Selectboard discussed the current round of Municipal Planning Grants and the possibility of obtaining funding to have NVDA assist the Planning Commission. Howard Remick stated that a grant would help the Planning Commission complete a number of items in the recently approved Town Plan. Gary made a motion to apply for a Municipal Planning Grant and Brent seconded. Fred will coordinate the grant and associated reporting. Joanne and Jessy told the selectmen that Lillian, the postmistress, has painted her post office wall and kept going and painted the lobby. She completed the painting of the lobby. Would like to gift her something for her doing this work. The selectmen agreed and said for her hard work, she will be gifted a dinner for two at the Rabbit Hill Inn.

Adjourn Brent made the motion to adjourn. Gary seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Approved:

Date:

Jessy Pelow

Assistant Town Clerk