

SELECT BOARD

June 12, 2007

Paul Nevin, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Linda Nexon and Raymond Tarbell were present.

1. The minutes of the Select Board meeting of May 8 were approved.

2. Highways

a. Branch Brook Road. Dennis Turco addressed the Board relative to the town highway right of way at his property. He indicated that he was planning to have a new survey done. The Board agreed to meet with him at his property once that survey is completed, to consider and discuss the information disclosed.

b. Millbrook Lane. It was reported that the neighbors have resolved their differences with respect to use of the road. The Sullivans were present and confirmed that.

c. Winter sand. Casella's price of \$11.75/yard is well below the other quotes. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To purchase 2007-2008 winter sand from Casella.

d. April storm – FEMA. Because of the federal disaster declaration, FEMA will reimburse the Town for road repairs and construction related to the April storm. The damage assessment totals just under \$29,000; the federal government is expected to reimburse 75% and the State 12.5% of that amount.

e. Jeff reported that the reclaiming work on Healdville Road was done today. Chloride will be applied to the area. Gravel hauling will begin on June 18.

f. The cost of the repairs to the 2007 truck hydraulic system was covered by Fairfield.

g. Ancient Roads. A group of four people has begun work to map the Town's historic roads.

h. Appointment of road foreman. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To appoint Jeffrey Teter road foreman for the 2007-2008 year.

i. Wage review for the highway crew was deferred to an executive session to be held at the conclusion of the public meeting.

3. Solid Waste

a. RCSWD filed an application on May 21 for recertification of the Mount Holly Transfer Station.

b. RCSWD Board of Supervisors meet on June 13 to vote to amend the District SWIP to include Mount Holly.

c. Appointment of Supervisor and Alternate to the RCSWD Board of Supervisors. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To appoint Paul Nevin as Supervisor and Joseph McDonald as Alternate to the RCSWD Board of Supervisors.

d. HHW collection is Saturday June 16 at the Mount Holly transfer station.

e. Employee vacation coverage. Clint Woolley will cover the recycling shed during Skeet Wheeler's July vacation.

f. Warnings as prescribed under the Solid Waste Ordinance have been sent to Dennis Bussino and Kevin Stillwell whom the Attendant found trespassing inside the locked transfer station fence on June 2. It was agreed to routinely lock the compactor switch.

g. Rules with respect to the metal and wood piles were reviewed. It was agreed to contact RCSWD to see whether Gleason Road might be an option for C&D disposal.

h. Wage review for transfer station employees was deferred to an executive session to be held at the conclusion of the public meeting.

4. Treasurer's Report.

a. David Johnson presented an income and expense report dated as of May 31, 2007. David reported that the balance to collect on current year delinquent taxes is about \$25,000.

b. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To advance up to \$80,000 from the July 2 State Education Fund payment to the Mount Holly School District.

5. McGinness tax appeal. A settlement has been finalized.

6. Animal control contract. The Board signed a contract with the Rutland County Sheriff for 2007-2008 animal control services.

7. Mount Holly Oil and Gas Group. This group of Town residents negotiated with Irving Oil for a reduced price for heating oil in 2006. The group numbers about 90. The Board agreed that the Town Office would join if the price negotiated is favorable.

8. Correspondence. The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation has invited the Town to comment on the possible nomination of the Anthony Scoville House on Dawley Road to the National Register of Historic Places. The Board had no comment on the nomination.

9. Other

a. Hortonville Cemetery. Tree work has been recommended by Kyle Perry. Donald Tarbell will be approached about repair of headstones.

b. Peter Smith reported for the Planning Commission that a draft of a revised Town Plan is a week or so away. Annette Lynch reported that the final report will be submitted this week on the municipal planning grant that funded the Town Plan work. The grant funded development of the Town Plan draft, an ecological study that provided valuable information, and led to wider dissemination of the Chit Chat.

c. Sue Covalla reported that members of the Garden Club have worked on landscaping around the Town Office. She recommended finding someone to provide regular maintenance.

10. The Board reviewed and signed the May orders for payment.

11. At 8:30 pm, upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To proceed to executive session to review wages of the road crew and transfer station employees.

At 8:50 pm, the public meeting was reconvened and, there being no further business, was promptly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Nexon