

Town of Colrain
Select Board Meeting
55 Main Road/Town Office Building
7:00 P.M.

MINUTES OF December 30, 2013

Present: Eileen Sauvageau, Mark Thibodeau, Jack Cavolick

Others Present: Jan Ameen – FCSWMD, Dan Lawrence – Weston & Sampson, John Ryan – Breezyway Farm, Cheryl L Dukes – Buckland Select Board, Joe Judd – Shelburne Select Board, Jack Cavolick - Paula Harrison – Office Clerk, Kevin Fox – Town Coordinator.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Eileen Sauvageau at 7:02 PM.

Appointments

Jan Ameen FCSWMD

Colrain, Heath and Montague are currently in a 20 year lease for a trash disposal agreement. Trash disposal fee is increased by the consumer cost index every year. She explained the market has not followed this rate increase. Jan informed the Board that she has teamed with several other towns and put out an Request For Proposal. She explained the results. The bid was \$61 a ton which would be a \$20 savings for the town of Colrain. She discussed the contract with the Board and several points in the contract that Jan disagrees with. Jan presented the Board with pricing options and explained the options. Discussion on what other towns may be doing in the future. The Board discussed the proposed contract. Jan advised the Board to switch over to the district contract due to the vague language in the Covanta contract.

Jonathan Legreze introduced himself to the Board as the Town's representative to the SWD. He informed the Board that he is available to answers questions or concerns.

Meeting Minutes 12/16/13

There was discussion on amending minutes.

MOVED: Mark Thibodeau moved to accept the minutes as amended striking, “the Board would like Kevin to approach the owners to see if they are interested in selling it”, Jack Cavolick seconded and it was voted unanimously.

Warrants were reviewed and signed by the Board.

New Business

Chapter 90 Reimbursement Request and Final Report

Kevin explained the two chapter 90 requests.

MOVED: Mark Thibodeau moved that we sign the reimbursement request for expenditures of \$5,956.50 and to sign the final report, Jack Cavolick seconded and it was voted unanimously.

October 2013 Month End Cash Reconciliation

Kevin informed the Board that Kristi - Treasurer and Tracey - Accountant completed their cash reconciliation for October. Kevin has reviewed and found it reasonable and signed off on it.

Moved: Mark Thibodeau moved to accept the cash reconciliation for October, Jack Cavolick seconded and it was voted unanimously.

Quintus Allen Trust Receipt Acknowledgement

Kevin informed the Board of the history of the Quintus Allen Trust and what the money has been used for.

Moved: Mark Thibodeau moved to accept the Quintus Allen Trust for \$1,813.54, Jack Cavolick seconded and it was voted unanimously.

Old Business

CCS - Lease

Discussion on the Colrain Central School lease and what areas should have more attention. Discussion on repairs that should have been done over the years. Jack asked about the cost for the removal of mold in the janitors closet and secondly carpet installation in room 17. Kevin explained that these are work that has already been done. Eileen would like a clause to be included in the lease that states the school is responsible for the maintenance that has not been done over the last 20 years. Discussion on what wordage would be used for building maintenance. Discussion on the Town of Heath contract and what is included to keep the building well maintained. Discussion on placing a cap on projects in order for the school to come to the town if the price exceeds a designated cost. Kevin will work on incorporating many of Heath's lease Terms and send to the Town's attorneys for review.

DLTA Grant

Kevin informed the Board that the FRCOG has asked for your input on the next year BLTA grant specifically your priorities. When Kevin receives all the responses from the Board he will send it back to FRCOG.

Not anticipated
At time of posting

Complaint of Unregistered Motor Vehicles – Follow Up

Jack asked if there has been any follow up. Kevin informed Jack that the property in question on Heath Road has until January 1, 2014 to comply with the removal of unregistered vehicles. Kevin will follow up.

1 Greenfield Road

Jack is concerned regarding 1 Greenfield Road. Is there any progress update. Kevin informed the Board that the Building Inspector and Board of Health are following up on this and were arranging inspections between now and the first weeks of the new year.

MIIA

Kevin informed the Board that MIIA has sent in nominations for the Board to participate in voting. If the Board would like to vote for any of the nomination the paperwork can be mailed in. No Action Taken.

Annual Selectmen's Report

Kevin asked the Board to review the Boards annual report. The Board agreed that the proposed report would be fine to submit for the annual report.

Community Development Block Grant Joint Public Hearing

The public hearing was opened at 8:30 pm.

John Ryan informed the Board that there was a public hearing at 2 pm today and reviewed what was discussed during that hearing.

John then reviewed how the public hearing was advertised. John explained that this is a three town application between Buckland, Shelburne and Colrain and reviewed the Community-wide needs scores for each town. John reviewed the preliminary budget with the Board and how that budget is divided between the three towns. John informed the Board that a three town application can apply for a maximum of \$1,000,000. There was a discussion on what the grant writer would get out of the total cost. John said the grant writer would get around 18% of the total cost.

Dan informed the Board of the Engineering plans for the River Street Project. He reviewed the process which has brought them to the current proposed plans. Dan informed the Board that sewage is not part of the block grant. Dan described the project on River Street including drainage, water lines, hydrants and installation of shut off valves for the homes. Discussion on coordinating the Mass DOT bridge project with the River Street Project. Dan informed the Board that they will be able to widen the road to a maximum of 18 feet. There was concern by the residents. During the earlier meeting, regarding no sidewalks, no curbing and including a sign stating the road is a dead end. Discussion on why sewer lines cannot be installed during this block grant cycle. Discussion on the sewer study and whether the houses on River Street were included in this group of houses. Dan informed the Board that the River Street houses were included in this sewer study. Joe Judd commented to the Board the advantages the block grant brings to the town. Joe comments how this is a great opportunity for all the towns.

Public hearing closed at 9:08 pm

Selectmen reopened meeting at 9:09 pm.

MOVED: Mark Thibodeau moved to accept the Community Development Strategy and also adopt the target areas as presented. with the addition of track 401, block group 3029, Jack Cavolick seconded and it was voted unanimously.

Moved: Mark Thibodeau moved that Eileen Sauvageau sign the actual paperwork for the Block Grant Process, Jack Cavolick seconded and it was voted unanimously.

John Ryan reviewed the paperwork that will need to be signed in the future.

MOVED: Mark Thibodeau moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 PM, Jack Cavolick seconded and it was voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Harrison
Office Clerk

Accepted by the Board of Selectmen

Eileen Sauvageau - Chairman

Mark Thibodeau

Jack Cavolick

Documents

- Warrants
- Meeting minutes from 12/16/2013
- FCSWMD – FY 15 Colrain Trash Disposal Options
- Chapter 90 reimbursement request – resurface various roads
- Chapter 90 – Final Report – Van Nuys Road, Shelburne Line Road, East Colrain Road and Fort Lucas Road
- Cash Reconciliation Report – October 2013
- Letter Cummings & Reid – Quintus Allen Trust
- CCS – proposed Lease
- FRCOG – 2014 Local Technical Assistance Request Form
- FRCOG – Pat Smith – Colrain Center Village Master Plan
- MIIA - Voting Delegate Designation Form
- Selectmen's proposed annual report