

Weathersfield Select Board  
Minutes  
April 15, 2013

Present: Dave Fuller  
Norman John Arrison  
C. Peter Cole  
Dan Boyer

Others Present: Jim Mullen, Town Manager  
Lisa Slade, Recording Secretary  
Edith Stillson  
Loraine (Cookie) Shand  
Chip Cobb  
Nancy Nutile-McMenemy  
Julia Lloyd Wright  
Ernest Shand  
Bette Jo Esty  
deForest Bearse  
Darrin Spaulding  
Wes Hazeltine  
William Davies Jr.  
Lynn Esty  
Josh Dauphin  
Melanie Sheehan

1. Call to Order: Mr. Boyer called the Weathersfield Select Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Martin Memorial Hall.

2. Comments from Citizens and Select Board Members: Mr. Boyer congratulated Wes Hazeltine on working for the Town for 40 years.

Julia Lloyd Wright said Weathersfield is participating in the Vermont home energy challenge and the energy team will do free home energy audits for Weathersfield residents. She asked anyone that is interested to contact the Town office.

Mr. Fuller said he has received some calls regarding the Perkinsville School and wanted to mention there are trees and/or shrubs planted at that location as a memorial so he wants to be sure everyone is aware of those.

He said he also talked to Carl Wyman and Carl urges the Town to have a title search done on the property proposed for the park and ride as he doesn't think the State owns the land that we think they do.

3. Review Minutes from Previous Meetings: **Mr. Arrison made the motion to approve the minutes dated April 1, 2013, Mr. Fuller seconded the motion.** Mrs. Slade noted corrections. The consensus of the Board is to wait for Mr. Clattenburg to be present to approve these minutes. **Mr. Arrison withdrew his motion and Mr. Fuller withdrew his second.**

4. Regular Business

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A. Update on current projects of Veterans Memorial Committee: Mr. Cobb presented the Board with information on what the Veterans Memorial Committee goals are for 2013. Before doing so he recapped what the Committee has done to date. He noted a goal is to have a couple of benches made from stone, pour another stamped concrete pad and move the flag pole closer to the monument. The Committee would also like to illuminate the monument and flag pole (as well as the flag pole on the Ascutney green). Mr. Cobb said the intent is to zero out the grant money that was received. He asked the Board to let the Committee know if they hear of any active or past military people/families from Weathersfield needing help of any kind because the Committee would like to help them when and if possible.

Mr. Arrison asked if the Committee helped Bev Howe with the distribution of flags throughout the cemeteries. Mr. Cobb said not at this time but would be willing to help if she wanted us to. He also noted that the Committee has money in their budget in hopes there will be an Eagle Scout that would be willing to do a project and determine where Veterans are in each of the Town's cemeteries.

Mr. Fuller said if there isn't enough stone left from the McDermott property he has some that may work and Mr. Adamovich may have some as well.

B. Weathersfield Directory: Mrs. Esty said she has solicited other bids for printing after the last meeting and has received a lower one. And, someone has donated the money needed for the postage. She asked the Board to once again consider funding the printing of the Directory and noted that the majority of the Directory consisted of Town services so the Town does benefit from this project.

**Mr. Cole made the motion to take funds from the Town report line item to pay for the printing of the Directory's, a cost of \$650, Mr. Fuller seconded the motion.** Mr. Fuller asked when the cut off date is. Mrs. Esty said it has passed (three times now) the cut off date is over. **Motion carried unanimously.**

C. Approve WWFD May 11 Coin Drop: Mr. Dauphin said the February coin drop was cancelled due to the weather. **Mr. Arrison made the motion to approve the coin drop, Mr. Cole seconded the motion.** Mr. Arrison asked how many of these they did per year. Mr. Dauphin said in the past they did just Columbus Day weekend but they are looking to do them in the Spring and Fall now. Mr. Fuller asked if the State had a limit on how many could be done. Mr. Mullen said not that he is aware of. Mr. Fuller said he does not like this kind of fundraising and has made it clear in the past that he would like both Departments to raise money in other ways. **Motion carried unanimously.**

D. Approve submittal of 2013 Dry Hydrant Grant: Mr. Spaulding said they would like to apply for this grant to install a hydrant at the corner of Bow Road and Bowen Hill Roads. He said he thinks the cost of this location would be about \$3,000. There was discussion that this pond is near a beaver pond. **Mr. Arrison made the motion to approve the submission of an application for a 2013 dry hydrant grant for up to \$2,500, Mr. Fuller seconded the motion.** Mr. Fuller said we still need a map showing where the hydrants are and showing where potential spots are for hydrants to be installed. **Motion carried unanimously.**

E. Update on Lavigne Road Bridge weight limit: Mr. Fuller said the Engineer report recommended this bridge to be posted for only four ton and he does not remember not taking their recommendation. He said since an Engineer has recommended this the Town is liable for letting over weight vehicles are this bridge. After discussion it was decided to ask Miller Construction and Daniels Construction to look at the bridge when

they have time and let the Town know what their recommendations would be to "repair" the bridge in order to allow heavier vehicles to cross the bridge.

F. Authorize Town manager to approve request by small groups to use the Memorial Grove: **Mr. Arrison made the motion to authorize the Town Manager to approve requests to use the Memorial Grove for events involving less than 100 people, Mr. Cole seconded the motion.** Mr. Arrison said there needs to be a system in place so the people also confirm use with the Church. Mr. Boyer said he would like the Board to look at the large gathering permit and asked Mr. Mullen to put copies in the next Select Board packet for review. **Motion carried unanimously.**

G. Perkinsville School Redevelopment Project:

1. Approve Brownsfields Grant Sub Agreement: **Mr. Fuller made the motion to resolve that the Town of Weathersfield is authorized to accept grant funds from the Southern Windsor County Brownsfields Revolving Loan Program for remediation of hazardous materials in the 1954 and 1969 additions to the Perkinsville School and authorize Weathersfield Select Board Chair Dan Boyer to execute a Subgrant Agreement on behalf of the Town. Mr. Arrison seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

2. Postpone release of request for proposals for UST removal: Mr. Boyer said the tank is steel coated with plastic or vinyl and we are trying to find someone to purchase the tank which will help with the removal of it.

Mr. Mullen said broken glass has been replaced, over grown bushes have been removed and a camera system is on order. He said additional testing on asbestos was also done on Friday so things are moving along.

H. 0.6 mile Baltimore Road culvert project, approve two sub-agreements: **Mr. Arrison made the motion to approve the two subgrant agreements with the Vermont Department of Public Safety for \$89,044 and \$1,781 for 0.2 mile Baltimore Road Culvert Project, Mr. Fuller seconded this motion.** Mr. Fuller asked if this would be done this summer, Mr. Mullen said he doesn't think so. **Motion carried unanimously.**

I. Approve VTrans Agreement regarding paving of Route 131/Town road intersections: **Mr. Arrison made the motion to approve the finance and maintenance agreement between VTrans and the Town of Weathersfield for STP 2913(1) regarding the intersection of town roads with Route 131 and to authorize the Town Manager to sign the agreement. Mr. Cole seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

Mrs. Sheehan voiced concern with the second Magic Mushroom opening down by the entrance of Running Bear Campground and asked the Town to consider adopting a policy to restrict such businesses from locating within our Town. She noted this will be the second location within a short distance from our School as well as residential areas. She said Ludlow and Fair Haven has already done so and shared information from those two Towns with the Board. After discussion the Board told Mrs. Sheehan that they would appreciate any information she can help them obtain regarding prohibiting such activity within Town and noted that Zoning may be able to help with this as well. Mr. Arrison said maybe VLCT has information they can share with us.

5. Appointments:

B. Budget Committee: **Mr. Fuller made the motion to appoint Mr. Adamovich to the Budget Committee. Mr. Arrison seconded the motion which passed without dissent.**

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H. Parks and Recreation Commission: **Mr. Cole made the motion to appoint Carol Orth to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mr. Fuller seconded the motion which passed without dissent.**

L. Weathersfield Fire Commission: **Mr. Arrison made the motion to appoint Lynn Esty to the Weathersfield Fire Commission. Mr. Cole seconded the motion which passed without dissent.**

M. Health Officer: **Mr. Cole made the motion to recommend Mr. Mullen be appointed as the Health Officer. Mr. Fuller seconded the motion which passed without dissent.**

6. Sign Treasurer's Warrants: **Mr. Arrison made the motion to approve the Treasurer Warrants as follows:**

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| General Fund Payroll                          | \$17,295.97 |
| General Fund Operating Expense                | \$21,132.16 |
| Highway Fund Payroll                          | \$12,435.35 |
| Highway Fund Operating Expense                | \$34,432.09 |
| Solid Waste Management Fund Payroll           | \$ 1,265.91 |
| Solid Waste Management Fund Operating Expense | \$ 3,399.66 |
| Library                                       | \$ 12.38    |

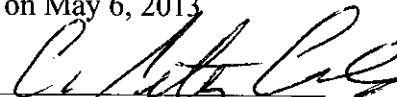
**Mr. Cole seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

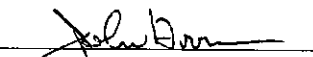
7. Future Meetings Agenda Items: Next meeting to start right after the Ascutney Fire District meeting adjourns.

**8. Adjourn: Mr. Arrison made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Cole seconded the motion which passed without dissent.** The Weathersfield Select Board meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

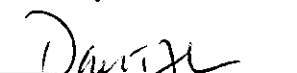
Submitted by,  
Lisa Slade

Approved by the Weathersfield Select Board on May 6, 2013

  
C. Peter Cole

  
Norman John Arrison

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Dan Boyer

  
Dave Fuller