

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 15, 2011

Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Kenyon Karl, Deborah and Megan Gelsi, Lisa and Olie Ames

Randy motioned to open the meeting at 6:04 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

The Board signed bid notice letters regarding the 1993 Truck. No bids have been accepted.

The Board has received the preliminary tax rate from the DRA. Francis stated that he sees no reason to change it. It has been preliminarily set at \$20.00. Francis stated that this is an increase of 13%.

Steve Davis made a motion to use \$123,760.00 from the Fund balance to lower the tax rate. No second was given. Francis made a motion to leave the tax rate as set by DRA, at \$20.771, seconded by Randy and approved. Steve Davis reiterated that he is opposed to this motion and it was his desire to lower the tax rate by using a portion of the fund balance, as was done last year.

Francis stated he would like to get the complete DRA tax rate page in the upcoming town report, as last year, some parts were not included.

Selectmen discussed the 2012 renewal from the LGC regarding medical and life coverage.

Steve Davis made a motion that we publish all the names of those that are delinquent in taxes in the 2012 town report. Francis stated that he would also like it, but feels that it will be too many pages. Steve modified the motion to identify delinquent tax payers on a separate paper that will be handed out at town meeting and also placed on the website. Steve stated that he will volunteer the supplies and time to do so. Motion seconded by Francis, and approved.

Selectmen discussed the notice from the Ladies Aide that they are making holiday baskets, and would like to know if the Selectmen might know of anyone to be considered to receive one. The Selectmen gave the Administrative Assistant some suggestions, and Steve stated he will also give the office some suggestions.

Randy reviewed paperwork submitted by the Road Agent for a clutch repair for the truck. Selectmen approved the quote from We Fix It.

Selectmen discussed the Evans Bridge meeting. Dubois & King have scheduled the meeting for November 22 at 9 am to meet at the bridge with abutters, Highway Road Agent & Selectmen regarding schedule of events. Both Randy and Francis stated they will be there.

Deb Gelsi addressed the Selectmen with several concerns. She inquired about a large pot hole on Red Oak Hill and clearing the road during bad weather (she stated that the school bus has a hard time getting up the road in bad weather) Steve said he will speak with Bobby regarding these issues. The Selectmen asked her to let them know if this gets taken care of.

Deb Gelsi also stated that she received a letter some time ago regarding the removal of trees. She wanted the Selectmen to know, she gives her permission for the Town to do so, and requested that they leave the wood. Francis stated that Bobby has not yet obtained quotes; the Selectmen will let her know when a subcontractor has been scheduled to remove these trees.

Deb Gelsi inquired about the Transfer not being open on Sunday's anymore. She said she was very disappointed that it is closed on Sunday's. She stated that she was not previously aware that it would be closed on Sunday's. The Board stated that the public has been notified in many different ways – a notice in the paper in the Talk of the Town section, Wentworth's website, a survey was done (this was noted in the paper, as well as handed out at the Transfer Station), notice posted in the Town office lobby, Selectmen noted at the selectmen's meetings over a month prior to the closure. Selectmen asked if perhaps a friend/neighbor might be able to help her out. She stated that having the Transfer station only open on Saturday is a hardship, as she is not home on Saturday's. The Selectmen reminded her that this closure will be revisited again in the Spring. Deb Gelsi also inquired of whom she could file a FOIA with. The Board stated that she can do so to any sworn official.

Selectmen discussed pot hole in the road in front of the Library. Steve will check the pot hole, and update the Board. The Selectmen wondered if the State has fixed.

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Meeting Minutes of 11/08/11
- 2012 LGC Medical & Life Coverage and Rates
- Bid notice letters regarding the 1993 Highway Dept Truck

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:55 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) – Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed issues related to a deeded property. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:10 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, _____