

• July 26, 2007

Present: First Selectman Richard C. Sears, Selectman Mark E. Lyon.

Press: Ann Compton - VOICES

Public: Jack Boyer, Jane Boyer, Chris Charles, Sheila Anson, Joe Fredlund, Janet Buoniauto, Tom Osborne.

Representatives from Hine Brothers, Park Chevrolet.

Call to Order: First Selectman Sears called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Minutes:

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes of the July 12, 2007 Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen. By Mark Lyon, seconded by Dick Sears. Discussion: Mary Anne Greene noted that the reference to the Morbark Wood Chipper should be 115 hp, not 1156 hp. The correction will be made. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: To include subsequent business not already on the agenda. By Dick Sears, seconded by Mark Lyon. Discussion: Dick explained that this would be to extend an Invitation to Bid for the extension of the septic system at the River Walk Pavilion. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications:

- **Email from Joe Mustich:** Dick reported he had received an email regarding a storm drain on Nettleton Hollow Road. The matter was referred to the Highway Director.

Appointments/Resignation:

- **Appointment of David Thomson: Motion:** To appoint David Thomson as a regular member (moving up from an alternate) of the Inland Wetlands Commission until 6/30/2010. By Mark Lyon, seconded by Dick Sears. Discussion: The vacancy for a regular member occurred because Marguerite Purnell requested not to be reappointed. IW Chairman, Mark Pickton, requested that Mr. Thomson be moved up to this position. There will now be a vacancy for an alternate. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Extending Bid for Boat Ramp/Parking Area due date:** Dick Sears explained that due to complications with engineering plans the date needed to be extended. **Motion:** To extend the due date for the Boat Ramp/Parking Area bid to August 9, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. By Dick Sears, seconded by Mark Lyon and unanimously approved.

- **Awarding of Bid for Re-roofing of Pavilion Hall, New Preston:** Dick Sears explained that the Building and Property Manager has reviewed the bids received for this project. **Motion:** To award the Bid for Roof Replacement at Pavilion Hall, New Preston, to Diamond, Inc. of Waterbury, CT for \$16,425. By Dick Sears, seconded by Mark Lyon. Discussion: As the bid specified there would be "extra" costs for such things as "underlayment that is not acceptable" and "replacement of deteriorated wood," the Selectmen want to make certain that any additional costs are kept track of. Dick Sears will ask Lee Levesque, Building and Properties Manager, to assist on this. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Opening of Bids for Dump Truck:** The following bids were received:

With Trade: Without Trade:

1) Hine Brothers, Southbury, CT \$111,375.26 \$121,375.26

2) Interstate Truck Sales, Hartford, CT \$109,424.00 \$120,145.00

3) Marola Motors, Torrington, CT \$ 99,730.00 \$120,730.00

(with body by W.H. Rose)

alternate: \$103,270.00 \$124,270.00

(with body by Park City)

The bids will be reviewed and awarded at the August 9, 2007 Selectmen's meeting.

- **Opening of Bids for Pick Up Truck:** The following bids were received:

1) Litchfield Ford, Litchfield, CT \$21,600.00 - 2008 F250

2) Mark Ford, New Milford, CT \$30,729.00 - 2006 F250

3) Modern Motors, Thomaston, CT \$29,905.00 - 2007 Dodge Ram

4) Park Cadillac, New Milford, CT \$27,000.00 - 2007 ton

(plus taxes and feed and subject to locating)

5) Interstate Ford, Hartford, CT \$21,624.00 - 2008 F250

(additional \$1540 for addition of crew cab)

The bids will be reviewed and awarded at the August 9, 2007 Selectmen's meeting.

- **Opening of Bids for Wood Chipper:** The following bids were received:

1) Newtown Power Equipment, Newtown, CT \$24,934.00 - Twister 12

alternate: \$28,227.00 - larger chipper

2) New England Power Equipment, Palmer, MA \$27,039.77 - Twister 12

The bids will be reviewed and awarded at the August 9, 2007 Selectmen's meeting.

- **Opening of Bids for Roller:** The following bids were received:

1) Penn Rentals, Hartford, CT \$7,500.00 - Used

2) Acorn Equipment, Newington, CT \$10,503.00

The bids will be reviewed and awarded at the August 9, 2007 Selectmen's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Retaining of Peter Bowman as architectural consultant to the Washington Primary School Building Committee:** Dick Sears reported that the Committee has met twice and had a walk through at the school. They are currently working on the best concept to rehabilitate the building. **Motion:** To retain Peter Bowman, architect, as consultant to the WPS Building Committee. By Dick Sears, seconded by Mark Lyon. Discussion: Peter would need to resign from the committee. He has been involved in working on these plans for the past two years. Need to get the concepts put into plans/elevations/costs, etc. in order for Washington to be on the same par as Roxbury and Bridgewater. Dick read Mr. Bowman's proposal stating his total cost would not exceed \$6000.00. Dick voiced his approval of this idea. Mark Lyon voiced his opinion that he, personally, had no objection of appointing Peter but felt that the committee should be involved in this decision and his hiring. Janet Buoniauto asked about the involvement of the Board of Ed in this committee's final recommendations and asked if the plans that are developed would be reimbursed by the State. Dick and Mark explained that the plans would be presented to the Board of Education and would be part of a three-school scenario. Reimbursement from the State would be through the Board of Ed. Our committee's charge is to come up with a plan that would maximize reimbursement. Jack Boyer explained that reimbursement only comes through the school board. He also recommended that Peter Bowman be hired - has excellent record of working on the Litchfield school project and feels that time should not be wasted. **Amended Motion:** To retain Peter Bowman, architect, as consultant pending approval of the Washington Primary School Building Committee. By Dick Sears, seconded by Mark Lyon and unanimously approved.

- **Storage Addition-River Walk Pavilion:** Sheila Anson and Joe Fredlund of the Parks and Recreation Commission attended today's meeting to discuss building a storage area on to the side of the Pavilion to hold the tables and chairs. The new kitchen equipment has been received and there is no longer room for everything. They have spoken with the Land Use offices and shown the plans to them. OK with IW and Health - just need to get the Building Permit. The groundskeeper will be able to build it - it will match the existing Pavilion as far as siding, shingles, etc. The Board of Selectmen gave their approval.

- **Extend an Invitation to Bid for Septic System Expansion:** In order for the kitchen equipment to be installed, the septic system needs to be expanded. **Motion:** To extend an Invitation to Bid for Septic System Expansion at the River Walk Pavilion. Bids will be due by 4:00 p.m. on August 23, 2007. By Dick Sears, seconded by Mark Lyon and unanimously approved.

Visitors:

- **Janet Buoniauto** asked about progress at the Town Beach - what upgrades are going to be done to the beach house, etc. Dick recommended she contact Ray Reich as his Beach committee is working on plans for this building that hopefully will include the caretaker's living quarters, bathrooms for the beach, the beach office and storage for the police boat. Construction will probably not take place until the end of next summer. Meanwhile the beach is still in full operation.

Adjournment:

- **Motion:** To adjourn the meeting at 5:22 p.m. as there was no further business for discussion. By Dick Sears, seconded by Mark Lyon and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Greene

Selectmen's Secretary