

# July 2, 2003

## **Present:**

Selectmen: Elaine Luckey, Harry Wyant

Guests: Gary Fitzherbert; John Addyman, VOICES reporter

First Selectman, Elaine Luckey, called the meeting to order at 4:38p.m.

**Guest:** Gary Fitzherbert attended today's meeting to make the Selectmen aware of a problem on **Shearer Road**. He realizes budget constraints, the probable cost in repairing, etc. and therefore requested they look at the road and consider it's repair in the next budget season. Harry Wyant mentioned he, Nick and Roger Cannavaro (Road Foreman) are aware of the problems i.e. the road drops approximately 2 feet below the level of the fields on either side causing flooding, mud covering, etc. Mr. Fitzherbert also asked the selectmen to look at the intersection of **Shearer Road and Hinkle Road** where the visibility is poor. Trimming, moving of a utility pole, etc. would help improve the situation. The Selectmen assured Mr. Fitzherbert that they were aware of both problems and will be looking at the repairs next budget season.

## **Minutes:**

**6/19/03 - Regular meeting:** Selectmen Nick Solley was not present at this meeting however he made a motion, in absencia, to approve the minutes. Harry Wyant seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**6/26/03 - Special Meeting re: Painting Town Hall bids.** Elaine Luckey made a motion to approve the minutes. Harry Wyant seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**6/30/03 - Special Meeting re: Insurance.** Elaine Luckey made a motion to approve the minutes. Harry Wyant seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Communications:** None.

**Appointments:** There is a vacancy on ZBA for an alternate. Elaine Luckey explained that by statute the Selectmen can fill a vacancy of an unexpired term. She has met with Todd Catlin who is interested in serving in this position. She has requested that Harry Wyant and Nick Solley contact him as well.

## **Old Business:**

**Overnight Parking on Town Property:** Elaine explained that we have had several instances over the past few months with residents leaving trailers, cars, etc. on town property. She feels there should be a policy that addresses all properties including parking lots, beach, old town garage, etc. COG is working on getting sample policies dealing with this. Once this information is received Elaine and Harry will compose policy for Washington.

**Town Meeting Date for STEAP Resolution:** Elaine has been looking into whether the resolution could be presented and signed at a Board of Selectmen's meeting or a Town Meeting. Grant manager with the State, Shelly Pilley, advised could be either. David Miles (Town Attorney) suggested a Town Meeting. The STEAP grant is to be used in New Preston for drainage, infrastructure, etc. and in the Depot for sidewalk work, bridge to the Senior Center repair, correction of erosion on Canoe Brook and site work at the new Town Garage. Elaine Luckey made a motion to set the Town Meeting for Thursday, July 17th, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. The Resolution will be the only item on the agenda. Harry Wyant seconded the motion

and it was unanimously approved.

**Contract with Larry Wagner Associates:** Elaine Luckey made a motion to hire Larry Wagner Associates (grant consultants) to help implement Small Cities Grant for the elevator project in Town Hall. Harry Wyant seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Painting Town Hall Bids:** Awarding of this bid was tabled until the Building and Property Committee can review the bids.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Greene  
Selectmen's Secretary