

June 11, 2009

Minutes are subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Present: First Selectman Mark E. Lyon, Selectman James L. Brinton.

Press: Ann Compton-VOICES.

Call to Order: First Selectman Lyon called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

* Motion: To approve the minutes of the May 28, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen. By Mark Lyon, seconded by Jim Brinton and unanimously approved.

Communications: None.

Appointments/Resignations: None.

First Selectman's Report: Mark Lyon reported:

* Connecticut Community Foundation presented the Washington Community Fund with a grant in the amount of \$2000.00 for emergency assistance to needy individuals in the Town of Washington on Monday, June 8, 2009 at the Town Hall. Members of the Board of the Washington Community Fund were present, along with First Selectman Lyon, to accept the donation. On behalf of those who will benefit, Mark extended appreciation.

* Stimulus Funds are beginning to become available. The Northwest Council of Governments (COG) has received a block grant that can be used for roads (limited to those classified as "major rural connectors") or State bridges. Washington may be eligible to receive some funds for bridgework. The US Department of Energy has earmarked \$34,000 for Washington for renewable energy projects, energy efficiency, etc. The Office of Policy & Management/Department of Justice has set aside \$9,100 for police equipment and training. These funds would come from the Federal government through the State to the Town.

OLD BUSINESS:

* Road Work Update:

Chipsealing of roads in the southeast section of Town is scheduled to begin the week of June 22 (weather permitting). A press release will be sent out listing the roads scheduled. Work will begin next week on Painter Ridge Road for which we have received grant monies for reclaiming and repaving. The entire project should be completed within two weeks (weather permitting). The contract with Schultz Construction has been signed for reconstruction of the bridge on Nettleton Hollow Road. Work will begin after July 4th and a portion of the road will be closed for approximately 6 weeks. It is hoped that work can be completed prior to the opening of school.

NEW BUSINESS:

* Invitation to Bid:

Motion: To extend an Invitation to bid for the "Demolition & Reconstruction of the Town's Beach House at Lake Waramaug" until 4:00 p.m., July 2, 2009. Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud in the Selectmen's Office at 4:30 p.m. Plans are available at the Office of the First Selectman, 2 Bryan Plaza, P.O. Box 383, Washington Depot, CT 06794, 860-868-2259 for a non-refundable fee of \$10.00 during normal business hours. If required, plans may be shipped by providing carrier account # for shipping costs. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the site at 59 East Shore Road, New Preston at 9:00 a.m. on June 18. Bidder's attention is called to the requirements as to conditions of employment and minimum state

wage rates. No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the bid opening. Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Security in the amount of five per cent (5%) of the bid price. A Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the contract price, will be required. The Board of Selectmen may waive informalities or minor defects and reject any and all bids if deemed in the best interest of the Town of Washington. The Town of Washington is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer. Minority/Women's Business Enterprises are encouraged to apply. By Mark Lyon, seconded by Jim Brinton. Discussion: Mark explained that the project would be going through the Town's Land Use application process. Nick Solley has been working with the engineer, architect, surveyor, etc and has made the necessary applications. The Selectmen do not foresee any problems as the use and lot coverage is not changing. The motion passed unanimously.

Visitors: None.

Adjournment:

* Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. as there was no further business for discussion. By Jim Brinton, seconded by Mark Lyon and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anne Greene
Selectmen's Secretary