

June 5, 2003

Present: Selectmen: Elaine Luckey, Nick Solley, Harry Wyant

First Selectman Elaine Luckey called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Minutes:

5/22/2003 - Regular meeting: Elaine Luckey moved to approve, seconded by Nicholas Solley and unanimously passed.

Communications:

Regional Workforce Investment Board: Elaine reported Walter "Harvey" Clark of Woodbury will represent the towns of Woodbury, Middlebury, Redding, Washington Bethlehem and Roxbury on this regional board.

New Preston Congregational Church: Beatrice Murgio requested the Selectmen consider the inclusion of ample parking for the New Preston Congregational Church when changes are made to the Church Street area in New Preston. She has estimated at least fifty spaces would fit and are needed for use of the New Preston field and related events. The Selectmen noted the proposed plans only formalized the current parking; however, they did note the proposed change in use of this area would eliminate the parking currently available at the school building. The Selectmen do not want to compromise the playing field and felt additional parking could be considered in the future if the actual need is shown and if the church population grows. Elaine will answer Ms. Murgio's letter.

Old Business:

Tinker Hill Road (off Loomarwick): The Selectmen discussed Susan Reinhart's offer to upgrade the section of Tinker Hill Road from Loomarwick to the rear of her property. She currently has access to her property from Perkins Road, a private road extending from West Shore Road, but is concerned with the steep grade in the winter for access. State Statute allows the Town to assess the landowner the costs to upgrade a road if it is not a public convenience. Ms. Reinhart has requested that the Town maintain the road once the upgrading is complete. Elaine and Nick walked the town road and noted it would require engineering and upgrading to Town standards to allow a town vehicle to turnaround. They were unsure if Ms. Reinhart was aware of the costs involved. Elaine will consult with Town Counsel to determine if the Town is obligated to maintain the road if it is upgraded. She noted the Greenway Committee had hoped this area could be established as part of the Greenway trails. Harry noted maintenance of this road would be difficult and suggested Ms. Reinhart be given a right-of-way over the property.

The property could be discontinued for future traffic use while still allowing its use for walking. She will write to Ms. Reinhart to report they will make a decision after conferring with the road foreman and town counsel. The Selectmen will review the letter prior to its being sent.

Appointments:

Inland Wetlands Commission: Elaine Luckey made a motion to appoint/reappoint the following commissioners:

Dorothy Hill as a regular member to 6-30-2006.

Mark Picton from an alternate to a regular position until 6-30-2004.

Robert Weber from a regular to an alternate position until 6-30-2006.

Elaine noted she had discussed the change in position with the commissioners, who were agreeable. Nicholas Solley seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

Judea Cemetery Commission: Elaine Luckey made a motion to reappoint Dennis Hussey until 6-30-2008. Harry Wyant seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. Elaine noted she had clarified the amended ordinance regarding appointments to this commission with town counsel.

Building & Property Commission: Elaine Luckey made a motion to reappoint John Allen until 6-30-2006. Nick Solley seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

There remain alternate vacancies on the Conservation Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.

New Business:

Transfer Station Fee: At the May town Meeting, an Ordinance was adopted to allow the Board of Selectmen to set the disposal fees for materials brought to the Town's transfer station. The following scheduled was presented for consideration:

CURRENT DISPOSAL FEES

RESIDENTIAL BULKY WASTE AND RECYCLABLES

THE FOLLOWING FEE SCHEDULE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE DISPOSAL OF RESIDENTIAL BULKY WASTE AND RECYCLABLES AT THE TOWN'S TRANSFER STATION ON CLARK ROAD:

- **TIRES:**
 - CAR: \$3/EACH**
 - CAR W/ RIM: \$5/EACH**
 - TRUCK: \$10/EACH**
 - TRACTOR: \$15/EACH**
- **BATTERIES:**
 - CAR & TRUCK: \$2/EACH**
- **APPLIANCES:**
 - REFRIGERATORS/DEEP FREEZE UNITS: \$35/EACH**
 - ALL OTHERS, IN GENERAL: \$10/EACH**
 - AIR CONDITIONERS \$20/EACH**
 - DEHUMIDIFIERS: \$10/EACH**
- **PROPANE TANKS:**
 - SMALL/OUTDOOR GRILLS: \$5/EACH**
 - LARGE/CYLINDERS: \$10/EACH**
- **BULKY WASTE:**
 - FURNITURE CONTAINING METAL**
 - FRAMES, BOX SPRINGS: \$5/MINIMUM**
- **DEMOLITION/CONSTRUCTION/CARPETING/METALS:**
 - \$5/MINIMUM**
 - COMPACT PICKUPS/MINI-VANS: \$25**
 - FULL-SIZED PICKUPS & VANS: \$50**

1-3 TON DUMP TRUCKS: \$100

ALL FEES ARE PAYABLE UPON DELIVERY. LOADS IN EXCESS OF STATED LIMITATIONS MAY BE SUBJECT TO AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ATTENDANT. PAYMENT BY CHECK REQUIRED FOR ALL FEES IN EXCESS OF \$5. RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED IN EITHER CASE PRIOR TO LEAVING FACILITY.

Effective 7-1-2003

Nicholas Solley made a motion to approve the proposed fee schedule. Elaine Luckey seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. The transfer station attendant will be asked to review these fees and signs will be made.

Elevator and Handicapped Access Work - Town Hall: The Bryan Memorial Hall Board of Trustees had originally planned to install an elevator in the Town Hall prior to the Town learning of the availability of a Small Cities grant. As chairman of the Trustees, Greg Seeley reported he had sought proposals for electrical and carpentry work needed in the lower hall. He will call a Trustees meeting to determine the Board's interest in these alternative projects. He reported a minimum of three emergency lights are needed. The Board noted their **appreciation of his efforts.**

Invitation to Bid - Painting Town Hall: The Selectmen agreed to extend an invitation to bid for the painting of the town hall. Bid will be due June 26 at 4 p.m. A decision will be made at the July 2nd meeting. The Building & Property Commission had prepared the specifications for this project and will also be asked to review the bids. A representative from the Village Improvement Society will be asked to meet to review the plantings at the town hall.

STEAP Grant: Elaine and Nick met with Larry Wagner to discuss the STEAP grant. He would be willing to offer preliminary assistance at an hourly fee and will review the regulations. Nick noted engineering is required for drainage work in New Preston, while survey work and engineering is needed for the new town garage property on Blackville Road. Nick reported he has conferred with Spath-Bjorklund of Southbury for engineering drawings required for drainage work on Church Street, a section of Hinckley Road and a section of New Preston Hill Road.

A survey showing contour lines will be done of the new town garage property and the addition to the property that had been exchanged with Steep Rock in order to proceed with the engineering of a drainage system for the new area by Land Tech Engineering. A barn for equipment storage will be erected on that property. Elaine talked with Todd Parsons of Lenard Engineering regarding a proposal for the revitalization of Canoe Brook. She also spoke with Paul Kureck of the D.O.T. about a sidewalk along Route 47.

The meeting was adjourned at 5: 15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Gollow, Selectman ' s Assistant