

September 11, 2003

Present: First Selectman Elaine Luckey, Selectmen Harry Wyant
Press: Sarah Sparks, Waterbury Republican
Guests: Elmer Quist, Vincent Quist. Tanya Wescott

Call to Order: First Selectman Luckey called the meeting to order at 4:30p.m.

Minutes: Motion: To accept the minutes of the August 28, 2003 meeting as presented by Elaine Luckey, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

Visitors: Elmer Quist was present at today's meeting to request permission to sell his paintings on the Town Hall front lawn. Mr. Quist was a long time resident of Town as is the rest of his family. He has donated numerous paintings to volunteer organizations in Town that have brought in quite a bit of money for them. He had done this last spring and fall and the only problem had been his setting up on the edge of the lawn that took up parking spaces for the market, etc. It was agreed to allow him to have his sale on Saturday, situating himself more on the front lawn across from the real estate office and using the Town Hall lobby in case of rain.

Tanya Wescott, Town of Washington Tax Collector, came to the meeting to request the Selectmen to consider an ordinance (allowed by CGS 12-146a) that would give the tax collector the right to revoke municipal and district health department permits for failure to pay personal property taxes within one year of becoming due. The Town does not presently require health permits for businesses and it is Tanya's understanding that in order to do this it must be brought up at a Town Meeting. It would be the responsibility of the health department head or his representative to insure that a business does not operate once the license/permit has been revoked or denied. Elaine and Harry asked Tanya to provide them with a sample ordinance from another Town and also advised her they would like to discuss this with Town Attorney David Miles and Selectman Nick Solley who was not present at today's meeting. This would most likely not be on the agenda for the October 6th Town Meeting but could possibly be on for another meeting held later in October.

Communications: A letter has been received from **Mary and Jim Clark of Bell Hill Road** concerning their drainage problem. Harry Wyant has met with them and discussed the problem. Part of the water running onto their property is from the road, and some is from their neighbor's property. As there are several other similar problems in the Town, it was decided to have the Selectmen meet with Road Foreman Roger Cannavaro on September 18th at 8:30a.m. As some are major projects, budget considerations will need to be discussed as well as prioritizing. There may be a "temporary solution" that can help the Clark's before this winter starts and this will be discussed as well.

OLD BUSINESS:

Awarding of Sweeper Contract: Motion: To award the purchase of the Sweeper to C.N. Wood of Connecticut as stipulated in their bid for a total of \$111,330 by Elaine Luckey, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Washington Lions Club has asked the Selectmen for their consideration of allowing their annual **Cow Chip Raffle** to be held on the Town Hall lawn between the Town Hall and the old firehouse. It has always been held on the lawn by the river on Titus Road. The idea has been brought up to have it on the

Town Hall lawn the same day as the annual Washington Business Association Sidewalk Sale. This year it will be in the same location as always but they are thinking of the future. Elaine and Harry agreed to notify the Lions Club that should they wish to move to the Town Hall location it would be fine.

-Paving of Nettleton Hollow Road and Paving of the Town Hall Parking Lot Bids: These will be due on September 25th, at 4:00p.m.

-Ordinances: Motion: To place the following ordinances on the agenda of the October 6th Town Meeting for discussion: Fees for Land Use Applications, Inland Wetlands Enforcement, Open Space/land Acquisition Fund, Timber Harvesting, Conservation and Planning Commission Acquiring Land in the name of the Town by Elaine Luckey, seconded by Harry Wyant and unanimously approved.

Ordinances will be sent to the website as soon as possible for review by the public and Elaine is preparing summaries for the press.

-Boys Club garbage: The Selectmen granted the Boys Club permission to take old furniture to the Transfer Station at no charge.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Greene
Selectmen's Secretary