

Selectmen Meeting
Minutes
June 25, 2014

Selectman Iacobucci, Selectman Connolly, Selectman LeBlanc, Chairman Sargent were in attendance. Selectman Dziokonski was absent. Attendee was Town Administrator Ward.

Chairman Sargent opened the meeting at 7:00PM.

Review of Minutes

No minutes for review.

Public Comment

There was none.

Town Hall Veterans Memorial Discussion

Chairman Sargent invited representatives of Regonini-Zoll Memorials before the board for discussion. Ms. Mary Zoll of Regonini-Zoll Memorials was before the board. Chairman Sargent expressed the boards disappointment the work to the Veteran's Memorial wasn't completed for Memorial Day, he is aware the company have been working on the plaques for one year. He asked when the work is expected to be completed. Ms. Zoll acknowledged the company has had the plaques for one year. She explained she had advertised for any additional names to be added, with this request she received some add ons and some correction requests. She wasn't expecting the response received, there were quite a few repairs and add ons requested. Then the Government had the shut down so the names were unable to be confirmed, until the shutdown was resolved. At that time she had 600 names for the Vietnam Plaque which had to be verified through the roster. This created a large list of adds ons which wasn't anticipated as part of the original job. So she approached the town with some options on how to proceed. Chairman Sargent asked about the bolts that have been used to attach the plaques at this time. Ms. Zoll explained the original bolts needed to be replaced and the ones sent were not correct, couldn't be used, more are on order. Selectman Connolly asked if a year ago she was aware new bolts were needed why weren't they ordered then, he also questioned the placement of the plaque, it was his understanding the plaques were to be shifted to make the add ons appear more uniform. Ms. Zoll responded by explaining for the World War II plaque the names have been made smaller to fit in place, if in the future more space is needed there is room at the top. Discussion continued Ms. Zoll explained more work will be done to complete the project. The board asked why the projected wasn't completed for the

Memorial Day events. Ms. Zoll explained they worked on what they could complete; they were busy and hadn't received the plaques until one week before the holiday. She explained part of the delay was not having an answer regarding the Vietnam add ons. They had started working on it over the weekend but weren't able to have completed, just the killed in action plaques were up for the Memorial Day events. She said unforeseen circumstance delayed the completion. Selectman Iacobucci asked for a timeline when the project will be completed. Ms. Zoll reviewed it will be completed by the end of September. The board verified the project will 100% completed by end of September. Ms. Zoll agreed, she explained she was not happy the project wasn't completed either, it will be done as soon as possible. She wanted to recognize the planting that had been added they are beautiful.

Common Victuallers License Hearing: 292 Green Street

Administrator Ward explained he doesn't see the applicant. Chairman Sargent explained the board will table the hearing until the next meeting.

Public Works Issues-DPW Superintendent Chris McGown

Landfill Progress Update

Superintendent McGown was before the board to update them on landfill issues. At this time things are moving along, there is a very steady stream of getting soils. He explained the revenue is consistent but would like to review a tipping fee proposal. He had made an agreement with WL French. Mr. Bill French gave funding upfront for the revolving fund to start project, the agreement is ending and he has made an offer of \$20.00 per ton. At this time he would like to keep the amount the same for all vendors. He explained it isn't fair to set different prices. He prefers to keep it at one flat rate, there is no reason to change price.

D-6 Bulldozer Purchase

Superintendent McGown reviewed with the board he rented a small bulldozer in the Spring and bought one in the Fall. At this time he has rented a D-6 new model Bulldozer, there is a need to buy one. He is requesting the board's approval to purchase a D-6 Bulldozer, for \$450,000 as on the state bid list. Selectman Connolly made a motion to approve the purchase as requested of a D-6 Bulldozer for the amount of \$450,000. Selectman LeBlanc seconded the motion. Under Discussion: Selectman Iacobucci asked if this can be used after the project completed or would it be sold. Superintendent McGown explained it will be used for the entire project and will be sold at the end for about \$150,000. The vote was unanimous.

Waste Management Agreement

Superintendent McGown explained the rubbish disposal committee is still working on rubbish disposal and curb side recycle collection, at this time the committee recommends extending the agreement with Waste Management until the end of the year, it is due to expire July 1. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to grant approval of the extension to the Waste Management Agreement through the end of the year. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. Under Discussion: Selectman Connolly asked if the amount will remain at \$70.00 per ton. Superintendent McGown stated yes. The vote was unanimous.

Class II Dealer License Change of Name – 10155 Main Street

Chairman Sargent reviewed the board has received a request from Ms. Thalita Oliveria to change the business name on Class II License from Main Street Motors to Clinton MotorCars, LLC.. Ms. Oliveria indicated the name is to similar to one being used in town. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to grant the name change as requested by Ms. Oliveria. Selectman LeBlanc seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Administrative Business

Late Night Closings

Chairman Sargent reviewed the following establishments are requesting late night closings for Saturdays in the month of July 2014: Clinton Turn Verein, Crystal Café, Liberty Tavern, Old Timer, Polish American Veterans, Ringside Café, & The Simple Man Saloon. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to approve the requests as presented with any additional requests approved sent for Police Chiefs review and approval. Selectman LeBlanc seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Public Works Monthly Report

Superintendent of Public Works submitted a monthly report relative to the operations of his department for the months of May & April 2014 for the Selectmen's review and approval. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Selectman Iacobucci seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Town Hall Use Events

Chairman Sargent reviewed an application has been submitted for use of the Fallon Memorial Auditorium by the Olde Home Day Committee for use on September 5, & 6, 2014 to host the annual event. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to approve the dates as requested. Selectman LeBlanc seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Old & New Business

Year End Transfers

Administrator Ward reviewed the Town Accountant prepared a spreadsheet for the boards review of the departmental transfers to cover expenses for the fiscal year. He reviewed the majority are within the departments the Police Department had a large gap in the overtime amount needed so the Health Insurance expense was used. The transfers need approval by July 15. He reviewed the transfers balance shortfalls and eliminate deficit. Selectman LeBlanc made a motion to approve the transfer list as prepared by the Town Administrator and Town Accountant. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Administrator Ward mentioned the board should review consolidating line items in the budget process. The board agreed.

Special Town Meeting Date

Chairman Sargent reviewed the date for a Special Town Meeting has been selected as Monday September 15, 2013. He explained this date has been reviewed by the Town Clerk and Town Moderator, all approve. Selectman LeBlanc made a motion to approve the Special Town Meeting Date of Monday, September 15, 2014. Selectman Iacobucci seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Special Town Meeting Warrant Article Schedule

Chairman Sargent reviewed a schedule should be set for accepting warrant articles. Selectman Sargent recommended opening the warrant on July 15 and closing it on August 20, 2014. Selectman Connolly made a motion to open the warrant on Wednesday, July 15, 2014 and accept articles for the warrant until Wednesday, August 20, 2014. Selectman Iacobucci seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Police Relief Association Block Dances

Chairman Sargent reviewed the board received a request from the Police Relief Association for permission to host the annual block dances from July 24 through August 21, 2014. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to approve the request as presented by the Police Relief Association. Selectman LeBlanc seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Fireworks Donation Request

Chairman Sargent reviewed the board received a donation request from the Clinton Fire Union to assist in the costs of the annual fireworks display to be held July 12, 2014. He explained last year the donation was \$1000.00. Selectman LeBlanc made a motion to match last year's donation to the Clinton Fire Union. Selectman Iacobucci seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Worcester County Selectmen's Association

Chairman Sargent reviewed the WCSA is requesting renewal of the towns membership, the cost is \$50.00. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to approve the WCSA membership renewal. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Class II Dealers License Application Process

Chairman Sargent explained a draft has been submitted to the Solicitor for review, at this time approval should be tabled until the Solicitor has complete review. The board agreed.

School Speed Limit Signs

Selectman LeBlanc has requested the Electronic School Speed Limit sign be turned off for the summer. Administrator Ward reviewed he will research this request, the board agreed not sure why still running.

Annual Town Meeting & Town Election Dates

Selectman LeBlanc explained he is aware the dates set were a recommendation from the DoR. He would like to see the dates backed up a bit. He deferred to Town Administrator Ward for a recommendation on dates, which will coincide with the budget process. Selectman Iacobucci asked if the meeting would be changed to September. Selectman LeBlanc explained no it would be closer to May. Selectman Connolly asked if the Town Meeting and Election dates will remain back to back. Administrator Ward explained he will review all the dates for the budget process; it helps to have the House & Senate budgets to review the local aid incentives. He explained he will review and develop some dates.

Special Town Meeting Article Review

Selectman Connolly asked about funding provided in the Fire Department Budget to fund a study by a consultant to try to get some funding numbers for a Special Town Meeting Article. Chairman Sargent explained he serves on the subcommittee and at the last meeting a consultant attended. Selectman Connolly asked if the funding can be found to cover the expense of the consultant to have an update report for the Special Town Meeting. Administrator Ward explained the Fire Chief will be using funding from the department to see if a license is available for the town to go forward.

Letter to the Elected State Officials

Selectman Iacobucci reviewed he had a discussion with the Town Administrator recently about sending a request to the local officials to have the Wachusett Dam

opened more often to the public. He would also like to see a business directory erected at the dam showcasing the businesses available in town. Selectman Iacobucci made a motion to request to the local officials to have the Wachusett Dam opened more often to the public and receive approval to erect a business directory at the entrance. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. Under Discussion: Administrator Ward asked if the Directory will be portable or a permanent display. Selectman Iacobucci stated he would like to see a stationary sign made available at the gate near the guard shack. The vote was unanimous.

Business Development Committee

Selectman Iacobucci would like to begin advertising for business people with interest to serve on the committee. He would like to advertise on line and on the towns website and in the newspaper, he would like the committee to be appointed by September.

Goals & Objectives

Chairman Sargent explained this discussion will be tabled until the next meeting.

Committee Reports

Government Reorganization Committee

Chairman Sargent asked about the Facility Department Study report. Administrator Ward reviewed he has spoken to the consultant who indicated he will have something very soon, he will check in again. Selectman Connolly asked Administrator Ward to schedule some dates late in July for the Government Reorganization Committee to meet, to review the status of the facilities study and to start discussions on the bill to be filed with legislature regarding the town meeting approval of the change for the elected positions to appointed.

Letter Request

Selectman Iacobucci requested a letter be sent to Representative Naughton thanking him for all of his hard work on the Brownfield Redevelopment funds in the Economic Growth Bill.

Complaint Letter

Chairman Sargent reviewed the board has received a letter of complaint regarding service received of the Veterans office. He requested the Town Administrator schedule an Executive Session to discuss this letter with the Veterans Agent. Selectman Connolly asked if the session has to be in Executive Session. Administrator Ward reviewed complaints made against an employee are to be discussed in Executive Session unless the employee requests the discussion to be held in open session.

Chairman Sargent announced the board will enter Executive Session under Article 3 Police Union Negotiation review and will not return to an open meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Selectman LeBlanc 'aye', Selectman Connolly 'aye", Selectman Iacobucci "aye" Chairman Sargent "aye'

Executive Session Article 3 Police Union Negotiations 7:55PM- 8:40PM

Selectman Iacobucci made a motion at 8:40PM to adjourn. Selectman LeBlanc seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Corbosiero
Administrative Assistant to the
Clinton Board of Selectmen