

Board of Selectman

August 2, 2016

Meeting

Present: Nelson, Tanner, Warshaw

Regrets:

Public Works: J. Tanner

Park and Rec:

Recording Secretary: C. Frisbie

Public – Mr. and Mrs. Baron

Mr. and Mrs. Winkle

Mr. Leroux

Mr. E.Schoenfield

Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Nelson

- 1. Minutes:** Motion (Tanner/ Warshaw) to accept the minutes of July 5, 2016 *All Approved*
- 2. Additions to the Agenda:** Park and Recreation and letter by Tim and Carla Angevine
Motion (Warshaw/Tanner) to add items to the agenda *All Approved*
- 3. Public Comment:** Mr. Leroux complained about East Greenwich Road and the brush not being cut on the side of the road enough for him to exit the street onto Brick School Road. He entered pictures he took with his truck showing the site line. Public Works Foreman, Josh Tanner, explained that the brush was cut just a couple months ago and it will be cut again in the Fall. Tanner also noted that the brush Leroux is talking about is actually flowers and ferns which the resident on the property is grooming and we (Town) will not cut away plants any resident has planted and is maintaining until Fall. Selectman Tanner noted that there is a knoll to the right on Brick School Road from East Greenwich which has always made exiting from the side street somewhat of a blind spot. Leroux continued with the discussion at which time Nelson called the discussion to a close – noting Leroux has had a problem with this neighbor for whatever reason and the Town will not be part of the dispute. Pictures show grass is cut and that flowers and ferns are in the picture. There were no other comments
- 4. Garbage Hauling Discussion:** Mrs. Ellen Baron read a letter she wrote to the Selectmen regarding the receptacles and the inconvenience of the new hauling procedures. Mrs. Martha Winkle read a letter she wrote referring to the receptacles and hauling procedures. (attached to minutes) Selectman Warshaw feels it was a poor choice for the Town to make and suggested we hold a town meeting to discuss the hauling situation and have the Cope's Waste representative present to answer questions and to possibly find solutions to the concerns of residents. Both Baron and Winkle thanked the Selectmen for listening to their concerns
- 5. Bliss Road:** Nelson showed a map of Bliss Road which a resident would like the Town to close the road at both openings. He would like a turnaround at one end and a gate at the other, this way emergency vehicles and the Town plow would be able to enter. After reviewing, all Selectmen were not in favor of the closing the road.
- 6. Review of 2015-16 Expenditures:** Expenditures were reviewed. No questions. Noted that auditors will be starting on Wed 8/3/16

7. **First Selectman's Report:** 1) new generator will be in tomorrow (8/3) Town Hall generator will be disconnected (electrical and propane connections) this week. Once generator at CC/FC is connected that one will be moved to the Town Hall and connected – about two weeks from now
2) A 3 –man building committee has been put together to research the Library building. Committee will assess the structure, heating system, and ADA compliance needs and give a report to Selectmen
3) DEEP Recycling regulations – our Ordinance needs to be updated to meet the new DEEP Regulations
4) Warren Congregational Church (building) will be 200 years old in 2018 and G. Frisbie approached Nelson to see if Town, Historical Society and Church would collaborate an event to celebrate the birthday – this would be a Church expense
5) The small blue truck at Public Works has major electrical problems (truck will turn off while driving) - Tanner would like to replace it with a small truck
6) A new tax collector was hired and will start on 8/3/16. We had 3 applicants, interviewed all three

Warshaw asked if the old fire truck was sitting in Public Works and if it was being used – J. Tanner said they use it constantly for road work. Concern regarding authorization to take the Truck since BOF was against accepting the truck from the Fire Company. Tanner said they would not put any large amounts of money into repairing it if it was needed. Would keep funds to purchase a truck as mentioned in the First Selectman's report

Additions to Agenda

8. Park and Recreation: Warshaw would like the Town to collect all funds for all programs being run in Town (Karate, yoga, etc.) and then we would pay the instructor of the class/program. Would like to be more transparent in what is actually being collected and then paid to the Town for the use of the facility. This would be done through Park and Recreation. Frisbie will double check with the auditors for procedure.
9. Frisbie read a letter received from Tim and Carla Angevine – letter referenced the fees/insurance associated with the rental of the Community Center. Information regarding the fees and insurance in the letter was incorrect and a letter will be sent explaining the correct information. Selectmen were in agreement not to pursue at this time.

Motion (Warshaw/Tanner) to adjourn at 6:10pm *All Approved*

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen M. Frisbie
Recording Secretary