

SELECTMEN'S MEETING October 19, 2010

The Board of Selectmen held a Selectmen's Meeting on Tuesday, October 19, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in the Merrill Seney Community Room.

PRESENT: Lawrence K. Groh, Jr., First Selectman; John Bell, Selectman; Kenneth Beausoleil, Selectman; Clare – Villager Newspapers; Karensa Konesni - WINY Radio; Alison Shea – Norwich Bulletin; Joseph Gaucher; Henri Gagnon; Cindie Gagnon; Leo Adams, Director of Public Works; Kevin Walsh; Syl Pauley, Jr. P.E., NECCOG; John Rice; Shawn Brissette; Charles Weedon; Al Landry; other concerned citizens

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Beausoleil, seconded by Mr. Bell, to accept the minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting of October 5, 2010, as presented.

Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Bell	-Yes
Mr. Groh	-Yes

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS

Mr. Bell complimented Mr. Adams and the Highway Department on the good paving work on Wilsonville Road.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Mr. Gaucher asked for clarification on the proposed study of Main Street, which Mr. Groh provided.

Mr. Landry and Mr. Gagnon expressed concern regarding the child of a non-resident bus driver who may be attending our public school. Mr. Gagnon also expressed concern over unsupervised children at the Highway Garage. Mr. Groh will investigate the situation.

Mr. Walsh asked for the status of the town website. Mr. Groh replied that a private company is working with a town committee to upgrade the website.

BUCKLEY HILL ROAD PROJECT

Mr. Pauley provided an evaluation of the five bids that were submitted for the Buckley Hill Road Reclaiming and Repaving Project. He read his evaluation into the record. He recommends B&W Paving & Landscaping, LLC, with a review of their bid of \$249,264.11, documentation, references and equipment. There was a discussion of the history and future of this project.

Motion made by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Beausoleil, the approve the bid recommendation by Syl Pauley, for B & W Paving and Landscaping LLC, for the Buckley Hillroad Reclaiming and Repaving Project, State 141-152, Federal STPW.1141(103).

Mr. Bell	-Yes
Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Groh	-Yes

BID OPENING – SOCIAL SERVICES BUILDING – BUILDING SHELL BID OPENING – SOCIAL SERVICES BUILDING – WINDOWS ONLY

There were no notations on the sealed envelopes to indicate if the bids received were for the building shell, the windows, or both. Mr. Groh opened all bids, which he read into the record as follows:

Firm	Base Bid	Alt. # 1	Alt. #2
Barr Incorporated: Shell	\$267,500.00		-\$8,000.00
Orlando Annulli & Sons: Shell	\$344,000.00		-\$7,000.00
Scope Construction: Shell	\$234,567.00		-\$9,700.00
Kronenberger & Sons: Shell	\$342,000.00		-\$10,000.00
T. M. Builders, LLC: Shell	\$394,626.00		-\$4,380.00
Sarazin General Con.: Shell	\$232,000.00		-\$11,900.00
T. G. Home Improvement: Windows	\$\$17,188.14		
Girard Associates: Windows	\$26,849.94		
Thermotech Fiberglass: Windows	\$41,878.64		
Mountford Construction LLC: Shell	\$278,500.00		-\$7,500.00 2 sheets
			None, 1 sheet

Motion made by Mr. Beausoleil, seconded by Mr. Bell, to forward all bids to the Social Service Building Committee for their review and recommendation to the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Bell	-Yes
Mr. Groh	-Yes

REGIONAL REVALUATION

Mr. Groh presented a copy of a letter to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM), and read it into the record. This concerns the Regional Revaluation agreement as passed by Town Meeting, and the upcoming schedule for revaluation.

Motion made by Mr. Beausoleil, seconded by Mr. Bell, authorizing the First Selectmen to send this letter of compliance to OPM.

Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Bell	-Yes
Mr. Groh	-Yes

REQUEST FOR TRANSFER STATION USAGE – JUNIOR TROOP 65553

A written request had been received from Troop Leader Donna Godzik.

Motion made by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Beausoleil, to give permission to Junior Troop 65553 of Thompson Connecticut, to use the Transfer Station on November 6, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to hold a cookie sale fundraiser, with the stipulation that they stay away from traffic.

The motion was amended by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Beausoleil, that a safe area will be designated by Transfer Station employee Elmer Preston and Director of Public Works, Leo Adams.

Mr. Bell	-Yes
Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Groh	-Yes

Discussion on Motion: Mr. Beausoleil suggested that town property schedules be provided to the Board when these items are on the agenda.

RESOLUTION – STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HOMELAND SECURITY

This resolution was read into the record.

Motion made by Mr. Beausoleil, seconded by Mr. Bell, to approve the resolution as read into the record on October 19, 2010, for the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Bell	-Yes
Mr. Groh	-Yes

2011 SELECTMEN'S MEETING CALENDAR

Mr. Groh distributed a draft of the 2011 Meeting Calendar to the Board. It was agreed to continue meeting at four Fire Stations and the Old Town Hall once each year, primarily in the summer months. This will be acted upon at the next meeting.

TAX REFUNDS

Motion made by Mr. Groh, seconded by Mr. Beausoleil, to refund the following overpayments as recommended by the Tax Collector, Rene Morin.

James Stafford, Jr.		1.56
Diane Jamieson		21.11
Honda Lease Trust		118.60
Stephen Stacy		17.75
Sarah Boss		25.32
David LaBonte		23.75
Mr. Groh	-Yes	
Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes	
Mr. Bell	-Yes	

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion made by Mr. Groh, seconded by Mr. Beausoleil, to add E-waste Contract as Agenda Item 13-A, under Other Business.

Mr. Groh	-Yes
Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Bell	-Yes

OTHER BUSINESS – E-WASTE CONTRACT

Mr. Groh and Mr. Adams presented information on the current situation of e-waste recycling at our Transfer Station and information from Solid Waste Consultant Winston Averill concerning a new contract opportunity.

Motion made by Mr. Beausoleil, seconded by Mr. Bell, to enter into a three year contact for our electronic waste with Eco International, with no cost to the town for the recycling of elctronics, and the stipulation that the Town of Thompson is not responsible for any vandalism to the equipment owned by Eco International.

Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Bell	-Yes
Mr. Groh	-Yes

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Groh presented a map of the Connecticut Water Service District in Thompson, obtained from Peter Pezanko, which includes the fire hydrants. Connecticut Water is planning to upgrade and replace the hydrants and will replace 1700 feet of water line from Route 200 (Thompson Hill Road) to LaPorte Street this coming fiscal year.

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at the Old Town Hall.

Mr. Beausoleil reminded citizens to vote on November 2, 2010. There will be a Town Meeting on Thursday October 21, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. at the Thompson Public Library/Community Center.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Groh, seconded by Mr. Beausoleil, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:33 p.m.

Mr. Groh	-Yes
Mr. Beausoleil	-Yes
Mr. Bell	-Yes

Recorded and transcribed by: Lynn Landry