

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – January 10, 2013

Selectmen Steven Osienski, James Cleary and Jeffrey Rose were present as well as Administrator Denise French. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Antrim Selectmen Chair Eric Tenney and Bennington Selectmen Chair Steven Osienski signed the Notice of Award to Cold River Bridges, LLC for the Depot Street Bridge Projects at a contracted price of \$859,241.50. The Contracts will be signed January 16, 2013.

The Selectmen acted on the following matters:

- Reviewed December 27, 2012 Minutes for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings.
- Reviewed and approved the January 10, 2013 Payroll and Accounts Payable Registers.
- Heard a report that a \$7,322 credit has been applied to the Town's 2013 workers compensation premium thereby reducing the 2013 Operating Budget to a total increase of \$13,795/0.9% over last year.
- Signed a 2013 Assessing Contract with Commerford, Nieder, Perkins, LLC.
- Heard a report that the 2013 replacement of a document copier/scanner will likely exceed the budgeted amount. No changes were made to the Budget.
- At the request of Code Officer Dario Carrara, discussed the following code concerns:
 - M2/L3-10 open three-sided structure covered by roof – agreed to monitor the owner's statement that the roof will be removed after the winter season passes
 - M13/L31 setback concerns for new construction to an existing home – voted to invite the property owner in to meet with the Board
 - M20/L18 remnants from a building fire – supported Dario's plan to send a letter stating the Zoning Ordinance requirements and the need to make the property safe
- Authorized the Administrator to sign the Town's acceptance of Stantec Consulting Services' Proposal for 2013 Water Quality and Landfill Gas Monitoring at the former Tri-Town Landfill.
- Signed the Oath of Office confirming the Board's January 2nd appointment of part-time Police Officer Ryan Storro.
- Signed 2012 Abatements for M1/L17, M7/L87, M10/L8, M21/L13-1 (2) and M20/L2.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. ahead of the 7:00 p.m. Budget Hearing at the VFW.

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise French
Administrator