

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – January 16, 2013

Selectmen Steven Osienski, James Cleary and Jeffrey Rose were present as well as Administrator Denise French. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Road Agent Gary Russell met with the Selectmen and discussed the following:

- Staffing
- Payment options for the construction of the Bible Hill Road precast culvert since the culvert will be built and stored by Michie ahead of the 2014 installation.

Quantum Construction officials Lisa Martin and Jim Bouchard, together with Cold River Bridges Principal Jim Hollar, Antrim Selectmen Eric Tenney and John Robertson and the Bennington Board of Selectmen gathered together for the purpose of executing the Bridge Contracts. Mr. Hollar delivered Bonds to Quantum Construction. A Pre-Construction Meeting was scheduled for January 29th, Antrim Town Hall at 3:00 p.m.

Fire Chief Michael Roina met with the Selectmen to discuss withdrawing \$2,250 from the SCBA Capital Reserve Fund to purchase three replacement bottles. The Selectmen unanimously approved the request.

Peter Martel hand-delivered a letter (and left the meeting) addressed to the Board of Selectmen requesting that the Selectmen ask the Zoning Board of Adjustment to rehear the recent Trow decision which provides for a take-out eatery. Selectman/ZBA member Steven Osienski excused himself from this portion of the Selectmen's meeting and left the building. After a brief discussion the result of the vote to request a rehearing was: James Cleary – NO; Jeffrey Rose – ABSTAIN.

In other matters the Selectmen acted on the following:

- Reviewed and approved the Selectmen's January 2 and 10, 2013 Minutes as well as the January 10, 2013 Budget Hearing.
- Reviewed the Conval Selectmen's Advisory Committee Minutes of January 10, 2013.
- Reviewed and approved Payroll Registers and Accounts Payable Registers for January 16, 2013.
- Confirmed the Board's planned January 24th attendance with area Selectmen at the Greenfield Town Hall to discuss matters of mutual interest.
- Heard a report of a full-time employee's Workers Compensation injury.
- Received the following information from the Library Trustees:
 - ✓ The hours of Library operations has changed; Tuesday hours from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. were added.
 - ✓ The Library's Personnel Policy was amended to reflect full-time employment now being forty (40) hours versus the previous Policy that considered thirty-two (32) hours to be full-time.

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- The following documents were signed by the Board:
 - ✓ Audit Documents
 - ✓ Building Permit for M12/L17

- The following meeting schedule was adopted until the March 12th Town Meeting:
 - ✓ January 23 – OFF
 - ✓ January 24 – Regional Selectmen’s meeting in Greenfield
 - ✓ January 30 – Meet
 - ✓ February 5 – Meet one hour prior to the Deliberative Session
 - ✓ February 6 – OFF to attend Conval’s Deliberative Session
 - ✓ February 13 – OFF
 - ✓ February 20 – Meet
 - ✓ February 27 – Meet
 - ✓ March 6 – OFF

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise French
Town Administrator