

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – May 14, 2014

Selectmen James Cleary, Jeffrey Rose and Steven Osienski were present as well as Administrator Denise French. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

- The Bible Hill Road culvert project is on track for July construction. The Bids will be opened May 27th.
- Sidewalk crossings will be painted when the weather cooperates.
- Brush cutting has been completed around the Pine Meadows Circle and a portion of North Bennington Road from Pine Meadows to its intersection with Gillis Hill Road.
- Jointly reviewed the current status of the Groundwater Quality Monitoring at the Tri-Town Landfill as presented by Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.
- The modified summer work schedule (four 10-hour days) will begin May 27th.

From 6:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(c). Present were Selectmen Cleary, Rose and Osienski as well as Gary Russell. The Selectmen voted to meet May 20th with all three Highway Department employees.

Fire Chief Michael Roina met with the Selectmen and discussed the following:

- He has identified a fire protection engineering firm who will, at no cost, compile a master plan for the planned installation of dry hydrants.
- Conservation Commission has indicated their support of Fire Department controlled burns on town-owned acreage between the Catholic Cemetery and the Evergreen Cemetery on Old Stagecoach Road.

From 7:35 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(a). Present were Selectmen Cleary, Rose and Osienski, Administrator French and Fire Chief Roina. After discussion and in response to the Fire Chief's recommendation, the Selectmen unanimously voted a one-month suspension for a specific Firefighter/EMT who violated the Town's Personnel Policy.

From 7:46 p.m. until 8:10 p.m. the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(c). Present were Selectmen Cleary, Rose and Osienski as well as Michael Roina. No decisions were made.

In other matters the Selectmen took the following action:

- Reviewed and approved the Selectmen's May 7, 2014 Minutes.
- Reviewed and approved the May 14, 2014 Payroll and Accounts Payable Registers.
- Received the final version of the 2013 Financial Audit.
- Heard a report that the Tri-Town Landfill meeting is rescheduled to May 28th at 7:00 p.m.
- Agreed that the town beach should be staffed Monday through Friday; further details to be determined with lifeguard staff.

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- Unanimously voted to reappoint David McKenzie a Library Trustee Alternate for one year.
- Voted to permit removal of the obsolete cooking exhaust fan at the VFW for the individual's cost to remove the appliance and donation of labor for the planned renovation of the building.
- Reviewed and approved Building Permits for M7/L61 and M13/L14.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise French
Administrator