

Duxbury Select Board Meeting

April 11, 2013

Members Present: Richard Charland, Maureen Harvey, Marty Wells

Stephanie Koonz, Adam Magee, Bob Magee, Candice Canton, Leon Dunbar, Kristen Fountain, Brian Fitzgerald, Mark Morse, Bonnie Morse, Jill Smith, David Patterson, Shaune Perry, Harry Rook
Called to order: 6:00 p.m.

Minutes of March 11th - Motion to accept as submitted by Marty, second by Maureen, All in favor.

Citizens to Address the Board - Jill Smith questioned what the status of the payment for MRSWA. Since the Moretown Landfill had closed she was wondering if we would be receiving a refund. Dave Patterson came to discuss the new generator as was told that we would address it later on the agenda.

Highway Foreman - They have been working on River road and it is in better condition. Crossett Hill had a couple mud holes and the south end had been graded. The roads are holding together better than they have been. They will try to grade everything this week but some parts are still frozen.

The Pickup truck will have the bedliner redone under warranty. The 2009 tandem will go to J&B for warranty work next including the head gasket leak, turbo leak, rear end leaking and transmission noise. They will keep it for one to two weeks.

He wants to get ready for the three summer projects that the voters had approved by starting to haul stone to the pit. Maureen made motion to purchase the 8 inch minus at a cost of \$4,680, second by Marty, All in favor. The road committee discussed a new tool box for the shop. This box would be locked to secure the town owned tools at a cost of \$1,499 plus the shipping for totaling \$1,800. Maureen made motion to purchase a town tool cabinet, second by Marty, All in favor. Adam thought we had 1,500 - 2,000 yards of gravel left in the pit and got a bid to crush 5,000 yards at \$3.15/yard from McCullough. Dick questioned the use of an excavator and Adam thought that McCullough would be using a bucket loader and not need the excavator. McCullough will need a week's notice. Adam needs to confirm that that they can do it with the bucket loader and not need the excavator. Marty made the motion have McCullough crush 5,000 yards at \$3.15 yard, Maureen second, All in favor. Adam wanted permission to cut up the trailer, fuel tank and other metal to sell for scrap and use the funds for the purchase of a jumping jack. Maureen made motion to have Adam cut up metal and sell to Browns for salvage value to use funds for jumping jack, Marty second, All in favor.

Adam wanted to order the truck and chassis from Charlebois that was agreed to earlier and approved by the voters in the amount of \$123,559. Maureen made a motion to order the truck, Marty second, All in favor. Discussion took place regarding the heating costs in the garage. It will need further review. Waterbury Fire Department contacted Adam saying that the dry hydrant on Camel's Hump was not

working. They also wanted to mark water access locations by reflective "W" signs on Camel's Hump and Crossett Hill. Marty made motion to mount the water markers, Maureen second, All in favor.

Dick read a letter from Gary Dillon commending the assistance from the Duxbury road crew. The letter complimented Ron and will be placed in his personnel folder. The timing of the summer projects was discussed and the school buses need to be taken into consideration before closing River Road. Maureen made motion to authorize Adam to purchase materials outlined for summer construction. Marty second, All in favor. Discussion of the signs that were damaged/destroyed. Many were damaged and others were completely missing. Dick instructed Adam to replace the road signs that were missing so 911 services would not be impaired.

Treasurer - was not in attendance. We will list questions from last month and this month and forward them to Ken to respond.

Road committee representative was not in attendance. Dick said that he and Mo will meet with Doug and John to review the plan for test borings.

Bob Magee reported that the CM300 radios did not work at all. Three weeks ago he borrowed older radios from CESU and the radios worked perfectly. Bob took the CM300 radios back to Radio North and returned them. The owner of Radio North came to Bob and told him that the FCC license might not be done for 90 days. We need a license and a frequency for the repeater. We received a frequency from the State. The FCC has not issued a frequency but they should be able to approve the one that the state issued. We will have three XPR4550 digital radios and will not need to purchase three new radios one of which was budgeted for in 2013. The repeater will handle analog or digital. Dick was concerned with the timeline. Bob explained the problems with the timeline. We had not received the grant reimbursement funds and Bob will check with Ken to see if a copy of the Radio North invoice was sent to Mary Webster. Marty make a motion to spend \$150 additional to upgrade the radios, Maureen second, All in Favor.

Generator - Dave Patterson came to discuss the generator purchase and his purchase from Brookfield. He relayed that he has had the same problem since the day he purchased the generator. He knew of four other people, two of which went to court to get their money back over service issues with Brookfield. He got the services of Bushey Generator and was able to get his problem resolved. Dave relayed that the service rate for Bushey is \$85/hr and Brookfield \$125/hr. He had a Kohler installed and Brookfield kept saying that they would check with the factory. Dave provided us with information on his purchase and wanted us to consider other possible vendors so that we might eliminate some of the problems he had. Harry questioned that the purchase of the generator if there was not a grant. Dick thought that the town would purchase one for the garage. Harry was concerned that the maintenance would not be done and the generator would not come on line when we needed it. He wanted to stress that we would have to pay for the tests of the generator after the first year. We will need to budget for maintenance of the generator in future budgets. Bob said they reviewed the maintenance options and costs when making the plans. Harry thought we should have the maintenance contract so that the service company is liable and has the motivation to make sure it

works. Dave suggested that we check with Ralph Davis to see what vendor he might recommend. Dave also believed that Generac was substandard equipment that we might want to stay away from.

Historical Society - Mark Morse came and wanted to coordinate the move of the monument. He needed Adam to dig the hole for the pad. Dick wanted to coordinate the installation of the flag pole with the monument concrete pad. Maureen wanted Mark to check with Adam about the plows and if the location would hinder plowing the yard. Stephanie wanted to make sure that there would be a Vermont and USA flag.

FEMA - The projects worksheets for 1995 and 4022 had been complete and we have received payment of \$597,609.17. Dick has contacted Maureen made motion for the \$597, 609.17 to be used as payment of our loan at Merchants Bank, Marty second, All in favor. We then need to work with VT to get additional funds to reduce our obligation to no more than .03 on the dollar of the Duxbury tax rate.

Dick had the 2013 Waterbury Fire contract for us to sign.

Audrey Quackenbush of the Duxbury Land Trust contacted Dick and wanted to use the Duxbury Road Crew to help with Green Up day. She had requested that they be available for trash pickup on May 6th.

Harry Rook wanted to discuss road resurfacing standard and road reconstruction. The road committee asked Adam to make a recommendation to the road committee to bring to the board. The question of the resources of the gravel pit would make adopting some road standards cost prohibitive if we don't have enough gravel ourselves. Adam would prefer to do the work on Dowsville Road and Harry thought that we possibly have a contract employee do it this year. There are 58 culverts identified in town that need to be replaced. There 13 initially identified of Dowsville Road and 28 on other roads. Harry was concerned about the Dowsville schedule and thought they would not get it done this year. Harry said that he they might not be able to get the gravel out with the loader as well as concerns about the drainage. The gravel crushing this year will be near the Greens property.

Our equalized property value was challenged and the state agreed with Tom Vickery's assessment. Dick signed off on the document so we will not have to go to a hearing on the matter.

Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission and Economic Council might combine. Brian Fitzgerald has volunteered to represent Duxbury on the Regional Planning Commission. Maureen made a motion to appoint Brian to the Central Vermont Planning Commission, Marty second, All in favor. Marty made a motion to appoint Garrett McCurtain, Erica Campbell and Kim Greenwood to the Planning Commission, Maureen second, All in favor. Other appointments were made as follows:

Al Quesnel - Zoning Administrator - Maureen made motion, Marty second, All in favor.

Shaunee Perry - Service Officer - Maureen made motion, Marty second, All in favor.

David Specht - Health Officer - Maureen made motion, Marty second, All in favor.

Zeb Towne, Ken Griffith - Development Review Bd - Marty made motion, Maureen second, All in favor.

Mark Morse - State Police Advisory Board - Maureen made motion, Marty second, All in favor.

Diane Lynch, Todd Hill, Alternate - Solid Waste Advisory Bd - Maureen made motion, Marty second, All in favor.

Zeb Town, George Welch, Lars Dickson - Fence Viewers - Marty made motion, Maureen second, All in favor.

Charlie Pelkey - Fire Warden - Marty made motion, Maureen second, All in favor.

Scott Woodard - Assistant Fire Warden - Maureen made motion, Marty second, All in favor.

Eric Potter - Tree Warden - Marty made motion, Maureen second, All in favor.

Bob Magee - Emergency Mgmt Officer - Marty made motion, Maureen second, All in favor.

Dan Cardozo - E911 Coordinator - Marty made motion, Maureen second, All in favor.

Marty asked Harry for an explanation of the road standards. Harry outlined them and said that we did not follow them because of the expense. If people want to bring a road into town standard to have them taken over they would need to follow the new standard and any developer would need to follow that standard.

Maureen made motion to adjourn at 8:20 pm, Marty second, All in favor.

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