

Wales Board of Selectmen Minutes

April 19, 2016
Wales Town Hall
3 Hollow Road
Wales, MA 01081

Present: Jeff Vannais, Mike Milanese, Ed Boyce, Amy Bishop
Open 7:23

*** PVPC – Chris Dunphy and Paul Bracciotti**

Dunphy and Bracciotti were in attendance following the site visit to see the end result of the Union Road/Woodland Heights project. The Board thanked Bracciotti for all the work he had done to get the project approved. Although he wasn't the one who coordinated all the work, he tried for several years to get the project funded. Dunphy stated he is pleased with the way the project turned out.

Dunphy also added the time is coming to consider applying for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for FY17.

MOTION: To pay for Dunphy and Bracciotti's dinner for a total of \$48, as a thank you for all their hard work with the Union Road/Woodland Heights project out of the Norcross account. Motion made by Milanese, seconded by Boyce.

Discussion: None

VOTE: ALL in favor

*** Complaint – Kim Bates**

Bates was in attendance following a complaint she lodged against Ed Boyce, Bruce Cadieux and Dick Silva. Bates was a former employee of the Transfer Station. Vannais asked her if she quit or was fired from the position and she stated she wasn't sure, that she complained to Silva about something and he stated to her "if you don't like it, you can leave," so she did. Vannais stated parts of the complaint were unclear and wanted her to clarify. Boyce stated Silva was not present so they should hold off on reading the complaints. Vannais informed Boyce he was notified via email about the complaint. Vannais read the complaint on Silva in its entirety and asked for clarification. Following reading the complaint, he asked what exactly the complaint was. Bates stated his conduct was unprofessional. Vannais went to read the complaint on Cadieux and Cadieux stated he objected to Vannais reading the complaint in open session. Vannais read the complaint and Cadieux asked if he could comment. Vannais stated he could not; they were only there to accept the complaint, not discuss it. Vannais asked Boyce if he had anything to say before he read the complaint on him. Boyce stated Vannais had already violated the other two individual's rights, so he may as well continue. Following reading the complaint on Boyce, Vannais asked if Bates had anything to add, and she stated no. Vannais asked if the Board had any other questions and no further questions were raised.

MOTION: To invite Dick Silva to the next Select Board meeting to discuss the complaint in executive session. Motion made by Vannais, seconded by Milanese.

Discussion: None

VOTE: ALL in favor

*** Superior Propane – Adam**

Adam from Superior Propane was in attendance of the meeting to discuss contract they had prepared for the town to supply the Town Hall, Library and Senior Center with propane. He wanted to address any further questions and concerns the Board had. Milanese stated he was concerned about the length of the contract. Adam stated he would be willing to do a one year, and if everything goes well, the contract can be extended to a three year contract. He also explained to the Board the problems with the current system that is in the town hall. His suggestion was to replace all the piping since there are so many leaking areas. He stated the most it would cost to do all the work would be \$2,630.

MOTION: To sign the agreement with Superior Propane and approve the recommended upgrades to be done by Superior and pay out of Building Maintenance using whatever is left, and make a request from Reserve to pay the balance.

Discussion: None

VOTE: ALL in favor

✳ **Lake George Study Commission (LGSC)**

Bill Terry from the LGSC was present to update the Board on various things. He stated they will clean up the area of the dam where trash, docks, boats end up over the winter. The lake was leveled off on April 1 as required by the DEP in the Order of Conditions (OCC). He stated there is approximately ten to twelve houses on the lake that will be hydro raking this spring which is allowed under the current OCC, which will be expiring in May. There will be no further treatments of the lake until there is a new approved OCC. The Conservation Commission is planning on holding a Public Hearing on May 2 upon the approval of the Select Board to discuss the new Lake Management Plan.

MOTION: To schedule and publish for the May 2, 2016 at 7:30 Public Hearing for the Conservation Commission and LGSC for the Lake Management Plan.

Discussion: The question was raised if there is enough time to publish the notice in the paper before the Hearing. Milanese contacted Bill Bozenhard, Chair of the Conservation Commission who stated DEP said the notice needed to be posted seven business days prior to the hearing.

VOTE: ALL in favor

✳ **Annual Town Meeting Warrant**

The Annual Town Meeting warrant had just been received by Town Counsel and the Board did not have the opportunity to review the warrant.

MOTION: To tentatively approve the warrant as amended by Town Counsel, and if there are any concerns to meet to review the concerns. Motion made by Vannais, seconded by Milanese

Discussion: None

VOTE: ALL in favor

✳ **PVPC Documents**

MOTION: To sign the Town/Owner Agreements from PVPC. Motion made by Milanese, seconded by Boyce.

Discussion: None

VOTE: ALL in favor

MOTION: To sign the Invoices provided by PVPC. Motion made by Milanese, seconded by Boyce

Discussion: None

VOTE: ALL in favor

✳ **Citizens Alarm Monitoring**

Citizens Security, whom installed the Town Hall Security System, provided the Board with an Agreement to monitor the alarm system for \$25 a month

MOTION: To sign the Citizens Security alarm monitoring agreement for \$25 a month. Motion made by Milanese, seconded by Vannais.

Discussion: Boyce asked if they had been fully monitoring the system without an agreement since the installation. Vannais stated they had.

VOTE: ALL in favor

Additional Discussions:

-Senior Center Van – David Worth Total cost of shelter \$6,260 Bruce will lay pavement. Prices for concrete will also be looked into for the pad.

-School Water – Milanese spoke with various School officials. Pleased with the way they are handling the water problem and will be repaired over the summer. The school has been on top of the situation and has been following all the requirements and guidelines the DEP has set forth.

-Conservation Phone issues

-Joan Ferraro letter

-Tim Shepard letter – dangerous trees

-Memorial Day

MOTION: To enter into Executive Session under M.G.L. c30A, sec 21(a)(1) To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health rather than professional competence, of an individual, or discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. Motion made by Vannais, seconded by Boyce

Discussion: The meeting will not reopen in Open Session

ROLL CALL VOTE: Vannais, YES; Milanese: YES; Boyce: YES

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 9:30. Motion made by Boyce, seconded by Vannais.

Discussion: None

VOTE: ALL in favor