

TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING

April 7, 2014
5:30 PM

Selectboard
David Dill
Martha Feltus
Kermit Fisher

Press

Public
Dan Hill, Dawn Dwyer
Steve Gray, Chief Jack Harris
Michael Mahn, Drew Fahle
Jacob Machel, Jordan Racine
Jon Prue

1. Approval of Minutes:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve the March 24, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion carried 3 to 0.
2. Approval and signing of orders drawn on the Treasurer:
The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for week # 14 & 15.
3. Highway Report:
At 27% through the year, payroll is 36% spent and the entire budget is 30% expended.
4. Request to Use Outing Club:
Michael Mahn, Drew Fahle, Jacob Machel & Jordan Racine, coordinators for the GreggFest being held Friday May 2nd and Saturday, May 3rd at Shonyo Park on Hill Street, answered questions from the Board and Lyndonville Police Chief Harris regarding security, off-site parking and noise ordinances. Jon Prue, President of Lyndon Youth Baseball/Softball (LYBS) was concerned that Sue Teske, Vice President of Lyndon Outing Club, informed him that the Minor League field would not be available to LYBS on their opening day. The GreggFest committee told Mr. Prue that they were open to having games played on the field and would discuss access among themselves. Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Marty Feltus, to approve the event with two conditions: 1) work with LYBS on sufficient and unrestricted access and 2) have an off-site parking plan for non-student attendees that meets with Chief Jack Harris's approval prior to the event. Motion carried 3-0.
5. Liquor License Requests:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve the First Class Restaurant/Bar for Delise Robarts dba Sweet Basil Catering and SIJM LLC dba the Pizza Man and to approve the Outside Consumption Permit for SIJM LLC dba the Pizza Man. Motion carried 3 to 0.
6. Overweight Permits:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve the six (6) Fleet Excess Weight Permits with approval for Dan Hill to sign on behalf of the Board. Motion carried 3 to 0. Permits are for Calkins, Feed Commodities Int'l Inc., Larry Flood, Gould Well Drilling Inc., Kelly-View Farm, Inc. and George & Tammy Wagner.
7. Town Agent Appointment:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to reappoint Bob Gensburg as Town Agent. Motion carried 3-0.
8. Sale of WWTF Truck:
Village employee, Joe Dauphin, is interested in purchasing the Waste Water Treatment Facility's 2005 GMC Sierra with plow that is no long road worthy and would cost more to repair than it is worth. The Board agreed to sell the truck to Joe. Dan will determine the value of the truck.

9. Quarterly Budget Report:

The work left to be done this spring, to the Pedestrian Bridge, is the fencing, seeding and a street light. We have adequate funds to cover the remaining work and should come in under budget.

10. Efficiency Study of WWTF:

Dan explained to the Board that Phil Laramie of Utility Partners was approached by Process Energy Services, LLC about an energy evaluation at the Waste Water Treatment Facility. If we do the audit and make the recommended changes that have a two year or less payback, Efficiency VT will pay the entire cost of the audit (\$8,900) at 75% upfront and the balance upon approval in making the changes. The Town's only requirement is to provide an electrician. Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve the efficiency study at the Waste Water Treatment Facility. Motion carried 3-0.

Dave Dill asked about the status of the Bio Filter and other high priority items discussed being completed with the remaining Phase II Upgrade grant. Dan advised the board that the Bio Filter had not been ordered yet and that Gary Leach has known about the approved funding for a month. Dan will check with USDA to ensure they aren't holding up the funds before checking with Gary Leach on April 14th.

11. Land Gift:

The Town has the opportunity of obtaining a small lot of land in Speedwell Estates as a gift from the current owner. Bob Gensburg doesn't see any reason to not accept the gift after a title search has been completed and has a clear title. Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve transfer of the land, as a gift to the Town, upon a clear title search. Motion carried 3-0.

12. Zoning Fee Change:

Justin Smith, Zoning Administrator, advised the Board in a memo that the cost of public notifications have increased. He suggested increasing the fee for any zoning applications that requires a hearing from \$15.00 to \$30.00 to help offset some of the increase. Marty felt the entire increase should not be the responsibility of the applicant as it is a notification to Lyndon residents. Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to increase the fees for any zoning applications that require a hearing from \$15.00 to \$25.00. Motion carried 3-0.

13. Police Statistics:

Chief Harris informed the Board that staffing was going well. The new cruiser was ordered and they got their training done early so as to have a full staff during the busy times.

14. Other:

- a) Kermit Fisher voiced his concern that a felon was living in close proximity to the Lyndon Town School. Chief Harris confirmed that the felon was living on Lily Pond Road and was screened as moderately to high risk to reoffend and his target victims could be prepubescent girls and women. Chief Harris notified Lyndon Town School and himself and Officer Aussiker did neighbor notifications. Chief Harris was informed that the felon would be on a GPS tracker 24 hours a day but was not aware of any curfews.
- b) Passumpsic Valley Land Trust would like to use the Municipal Office Building parking lot and small field on Saturday, August 3rd, for their 20th Anniversary celebration. They will have food, a bluegrass band along with canoe trips in the river. The Board approved the request.
- c) Dan was approached by the American Legion for a donation for flags to be placed in the cemetery. Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by David Dill, to expend \$200 to the American Legion for purchasing flags for the cemetery. Motion carried 3-0.
- d) Dan presented the renewal paperwork for Lyndon Area Sport Association's line of credit in the amount of \$20,000. Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve and sign the line of credit expense note. Motion carried 3-0.
- e) Rod Key Street, off Pinehurst Street, is partly in the Village and partly in the Town. It has approximately 150 feet of pavement in the Town and the remainder is gravel. The Village highway

department would like to dig up the 150' of pavement and reshape with gravel. The cost to pave the entire street, including the Village portion, is approximately \$40,000 and there is only one resident on the paved section.

- f) Steve Gray, Lyndon's representative to Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) is looking for feedback in regards to voting the NKWMD budget by Australian ballot at Town Meeting. The District has created a charter committee to study the options, which are 1) remain the same, 2) vote the budget from the floor, or 3) authorize the supervisors to vote on the budget. Steve's recommendation to the board would be to keep it on the Australian ballot. David Dill commented that the vote requires the actual results even if voted from the floor, so counting would be easier with the tabulator. Steve said the suggested change comes from the small Towns within the district that vote all articles from the floor but still have to keep the polling place open until 7:00 PM for this vote. He also noted that the voting method has to be all one way or the other; you cannot mix the methods. Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to continue to vote the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District budget by Australian ballot. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM

Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer