

TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING

June 30, 2014
5:30 PM

Selectboard
David Dill
Martha Feltus

Press
Jim Jardine

Public
Dan Hill, Dawn Dwyer, Chief Jack Harris
Robert Trucotte, Elijah Buss, Steve Gray
Justin Smith, Paul Tomasi, Susan Durham
Brian Coderre, Dan Bigelow, Crystal Switser
Daniel Allard, Jeremiah Little
Rebecca Gardner, Nick Rivers

1. Approval of Minutes:
Approval of the June 16th minutes was tabled to July 14, 2014. Kermit Fisher was not in attendance and Dave Dill was not in attendance at the June 16th meeting.
2. Approval and signing of orders drawn on the Treasurer:
The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for week # 26 & 27.
3. Highway Report:
At 50% through the year, payroll is 52% spent and the entire budget is 42% expended.
4. Recycling Discussion:
Nick Rivers from Myers Container Service and Paul Tomasi from the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District addressed the Board in regards to the new Recycling law effective July 2015. Dan will create a RFP to begin a formal bid process seeking bids for trash pick-up and curbside recycling; sorted and unsorted. The current contract ends December 31, 2014.
5. 6:00 PM Public Hearing on Junk Yard Application:
Daniel Allard of Allard Metal Recycling LLC addressed the Board in regards to his Salvage Permit. He currently holds a State Salvage Yard License and is seeking a renewal. Since originally applying with the Town of Lyndon, the definition of a Junk Yard has changed requiring Mr. Allard to get a Salvage Yard License. There will be no change in his current hours. The only change would be that he would like to install a fence for appearances, which he has been in contact with Justin Smith, Zoning Administrator.
6. Junk Yard Application Decision:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Marty Feltus, to approve the Salvage Yard Certificate for Allard Metal Recycling LLC as requested. Motion carried 2-0.
7. Request for Use of Fenton Chester Arena:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Marty Feltus, to approve the request by Crystal Switser and Dan Bigelow, to hold their BYOB wedding reception at the Fenton Chester Arena on September 13, 2014, with proper liability insurance. Motion carried 2-0.

8. Resolution for Darling Inn Funding:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Marty Feltus, to sign the Resolution to Designate a Nonprofit Community Development Organization for the Darling Inn rehabilitation as proposed by Gilman Housing Trust, Inc. dba RuralEdge. Motion carried 2-0.
9. Cemetery Rules Discussion:
Board member, Kermit Fisher, was unable to attend the meeting and requested to revisit the proposed rates. This agenda item will be postponed until all Board members are present. At that time, Marty Feltus would like a summary sheet comparing area cemetery costs with Lyndon Centers, as well as a larger picture of the financing, such as the restriction on the Cemetery Trust Fund.
10. Overweight Permit Request:
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Marty Feltus, to approve the Excess Weight Fleet Permit for Amadon Construction, Inc. Motion carried 2 to 0.
11. Guild Fund Reporting:
Selectboard Chair, Marty Feltus, signed the annual Guild Fund reporting documents.
12. Bulky Week Summary:
Dan provided an analysis of Bulky Weeks from 2004 through 2014, broken down between the week in May and the week in October. He advised the Board that the May Bulky Week came in at 44% of the Budget for the year. The next Bulky Week will be held in October.
13. DRB Request for Penalty:
The Development Review Board has asked the Selectboard to determine a penalty and start date for noncompliance with their order to clean up a burned out home owned by Susan Durham. The Durhams are in violation of the Town's zoning by-law under Section 8.8, "Abandonment of Structure or Work in Progress". They are also in violation of the Ordinance under Article 5 which pertains to the accumulation of discarded household waste.
Motion made by David Dill, seconded by Marty Feltus, that the Town of Lyndon impose a fine of \$75.00 per day, per violation, after August 1, 2014, if all debris is not removed, walls torn down and foundation covered over. Motion carried 2-0.
14. Grease Trap Discussion:
The Town has been actively pursuing food establishments that do not currently have a grease trap to install them. Not all businesses want to comply as they do not feel they produce enough grease to create a problem, and those who do have them installed do not have them cleaned in a timely manner. David Dill would like to add to the Ordinance that the decision as to whether a food establishment needs a trap and the monitoring of cleaning them will be left up to the discretion of the Village Superintendent. Dan Hill will bring the Ordinance change to the Board at the next scheduled meeting.
15. Police Department Pay Rate Discussion:
Chief Jack Harris introduced the new officer, Robert Trucotte, to the Board. Ralph Aussiker left the Lyndonville Police Department after four (4) years of service to take a position with the sheriff's office. A few of the reasons Officer Aussiker gave during an exit interview for leaving were wages and more normal working hours. The Board would like to see starting wages of other comparable forces. The Police Advisory Committee will be meeting in July and shall discuss wage rates as well as the retention contract.

16. Offer to Purchase Town Property:

Douglass Properties, LLC out of Jericho, VT recently purchased The Lyndon Buffet building. The new owner has expressed interest in purchasing the small plot of land that the Town owns at the south end of the lot, which they are currently leasing for \$1,000 per year. David Dill suggested Dan Hill check with the State to ensure that the Town will have a sufficient Right of Way should the Broad Street Reconstruction happen. If the Board is interested in selling the land, a 30-day public notice would need to be warned.

17. Quarterly Budget Reports:

David Dill questioned the ATAD line item in the Wastewater quarterly budget report. It is currently coming in as 105% expended. Dan Hill explained that the chemical costs were taken out of the Utility Partners contract. Therefore, the chemicals will come out higher but the contract costs should be lower to offset it.

18. Posting of Agendas:

Motion made by Marty Feltus, seconded by David Dill, to post meeting agendas and warnings, as stated in the new Open Meeting Law, at the Cobleigh Public Library and the White's Market Plaza. Motion carried 2-0.

19. Other:

- A) Robert Trucotte, the new hired police officer, has been accepted into the August session of the Police Academy. He is currently part-time certified.
- B) Dan Hill informed the Board that the lease between Lyndonville Agway and the Lyndon Dog Pound runs out 12/31/2014. He has spoken to Doug Burrington, owner of Lyndonville Agway, and he was vague as to what future arrangement he would be interested in.
- C) The land in Speedwell Estates is currently in the process of being transferred to the Town of Lyndon by the Estate. An adjoining landowner has expressed an interest in purchasing it. Dan Hill will speak to the Listers and have them reappraise the value.
- D) David Dill was pleased to see such a favorable financial audit for the Town of Lyndon for the year ending December 31, 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM

Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer