

LYNDON SELECTBOARD MEETING

August 3, 2009

5:30 PM

Selectboard

Kevin Calkins

Martha Feltus

Press

Amy Nixon

Public

Lisa Barrett

David Bixby

Ken Burchesky

Ben Emmons

Diane Rochefort

John Rochefort

Russell Blake

1. **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Kevin Calkins, seconded by Martha Feltus, to approve the minutes of the July 20th meeting as written. Motion carried 2-0.

2. **Orders:**

The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks #30 and #31.

3. **Highway Report:**

The Board reviewed the highway report as of the week ending 7/24/09. At 58% through the year, payroll is 54% spent and the entire budget is 53% expended. The Board mentioned recent erosion due to heavy rains.

4. **Salt Contract for Winter:**

Motion made by Martha Feltus, seconded by Kevin Calkins, to accept the contract for winter salt purchases from Cargill at \$64.18 per ton. Motion carried 2-0.

5. **Skatepark Discussion:**

As discussed at several previous meetings, the Town must own the land that the park rests on prior to application for the grant. The Selectboard would like to meet with the Village Improvement Society (VIS) to discuss acquisition of the parcel of land in question. Martha Feltus will invite the VIS to attend the Board's August 17th meeting.

6. **2009 Tax Rates:**

Motion made by Martha Feltus, seconded by Kevin Calkins, to set the 2009 tax rates as follows:

General Fund \$.3328 Highway \$.3992 Local Agreement \$.0038

The Homestead Education rate for 2009 is \$1.4542 and the Non-Residential Education rate is \$1.6886.

Motion carried 2-0.

7. **Voting Delegate for VLCT Annual Meeting:**

Motion made by Martha Feltus, seconded by Kevin Calkins, to appoint Dan Hill as the Town's voting delegate for VLCT's Annual Meeting. Motion carried 2-0.

8. **Stars and Stripes Review:**

Pauline Harris has expressed concerns about traffic being stopped during the Stars & Stripes parade. The Village Trustees and the Selectboard will meet with organizers of the event to review the concerns raised.

9. **Other Business:**

Ken Burchesky and other residents of Brown Farm Road expressed concerns regarding the recent work done to Brown Farm Road. They are concerned that the project has narrowed the road and taken out much of the corner, which now tips the opposite way. They also question the placement of two culverts in the

section of road favoring one property owner. The new narrowness of the curve is a safety concern, particularly in the winter. The shoulder has been removed so that there is no longer a place for those unable to make the hill to leave a vehicle. The Board will look into the project and how the road was changed. Questions about the cost of the project, and the grant funding for it, as well as any other questions will be answered at the Board's August 17th meeting.

10. Executive Session:

Motion made by Martha Feltus, seconded by Kevin Calkins, to enter into executive session at 6:35 PM to discuss pending litigation. Upon returning to open session at 7:00 PM, no action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.