

TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING

AUGUST 12, 2013
5:30 PM

Selectboard
David Dill
Martha Feltus
Kermit Fisher

Press
Amy Ash Nixon

Public
Dan Hill
Dawn Dwyer
Steve Gray
Ray Durocher

1. Approval of Minutes:
Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by David Dill, to approve the July 29, 2013 meeting minutes. Motion carried 2-0-1 with Marty abstaining, as she was not in attendance at that meeting.
2. Approval and signing of orders drawn on the Treasurer:
The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks # 31 & # 32.
3. Highway Report:
At 62% through the year, payroll is 63% spent and the entire budget is 53% expended. The paving of the South Wheelock Road should be done by the end of August as well as purchasing the new truck.
4. Signing of Resolution for Gilman Housing:
Motion made by Marty Feltus, seconded by Kermit Fisher to sign the Resolution to Designate a Public Agency as Gilman Housing's fiscal agent for their loan program. Motion carried 3-0 and resolution signed by all three Selectboard members.
5. Fuel Oil Bid Results:
The fuel oil bids were postponed until the next scheduled meeting in order to obtain clarification to clause #5 on CN Brown's bid regarding a fee should not all contracted gallons be accepted for delivery.
6. Dog Licensing Update & Signing of Warrant:
Dan informed the Board that approximately 1075 dogs have been licensed to date, compared to the 640 dogs licensed in 2012. The next step is to personally visit the approximately 75 dog owners who have not licensed their animals and get them to either license their dogs or give them up. Dan's proposal would be to have the Animal Control Officer, Cindy Cady, be accompanied by one of our local police officers to explain to the owners their options. Dave emphasized that the concern is the rabies vaccination, not the licensing of the dogs. Motion made by Marty Feltus, seconded by Kermit Fisher, to approve the warrant with an amendment to increase the number of days held for placement in an adoptive home or transferred to a humane society or rescue organization before destroying the animal in a humane way from ten (10) days to thirty (30) days. Motion carried 3-0.
7. Wastewater Update:
Dan Hill explained the summary of proposed corrections or additions to the wastewater plant prepared by Leach Engineering totaling \$325,000. There appears to be \$175,000 left in the total grant/loan package originally received. Leach is going to apply to USDA for an additional \$150,000, which would be 75% grant or an additional cost to users of \$37,500. Dan's recommendation to the board would be to do the Transducer for Post ATAD Storage Tank, Calkins Generator and the Biofilter, which could be done with the \$170,000. We should hear back from Leach Engineering about the additional funding in approximately a month.

8. Retirement:

Dave Dill explained that Dan Hill's retirement was announced prematurely and that all the specifics had not been worked out yet. Therefore the information printed in the Caledonian-Record, that Dan would retire effective September 13th and reducing his working hours to 2 days per week, was incorrect. Dan will retire on September 27th, have the month of October off as a full month of separation from the Town of Lyndon, allowing him to draw his retirement, then resume working 3 days a week starting November 1st. Dan will be concentrating on the bigger issues, such as the water and sewer projects, health care, budgets, etc. with more day to day routine tasks being done by the staff (Justin Smith, Dawn Dwyer & Dave Dill when necessary). Both the Board of Trustees and the Selectboard are supportive of this agreement with the understanding that this agreement can be terminated by any of the parties at any time. Kermit Fisher asked to have an action plan so that everyone will know who will be handling what while Dan is away. Dan will have this done before September 27th.

9. Other:

Dawn Dwyer announced that there would be a Board of Civil Authority meeting held immediately after the next scheduled Selectboard meeting, August 26th, to hear two tax appeals.

Dan and Dawn will have more information for the Board regarding Health Care at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:51 PM

Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer