

TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2005

The public hearing on the \$500,000 disbursement toward the Greenway project was opened at 6:30pm. Selectmen present were David Dwyer, Betsy Coes and James McIlroy. Others present were Gregg Caporossi, Brian Hart, Wolfe Tone, Don Doane, Chief Reed and Wendy Chase. Chairman David Dwyer explained that the \$500,000 is money from the 2 million dollar bond the town voted on in 2002 and will go towards the purchase of 340 acres of land known as the Piscassic Greenway. Treasurer Don Doane was informed that the \$500,000 payment was due April 12, 2005.

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 6:40pm. Brian Hart, Wolfe Tone and Gregg Caporossi were in to discuss the Piscassic Greenway project. They reviewed the application for land grant project eligibility. James made a motion to accept the grant application as presented, David seconded and all were in favor.

Wolfe Tone distributed literature on the TPL's recommendations on the ownership structure of the 340 acres. The Selectmen reviewed it. He also emailed a copy to Fran Lane for his review.

Wolfe Tone informed the Selectmen that the ownership documents and funding documents must be completed by April 2005.

Gregg Caporossi informed the Selectmen that TPL's attorney is working on the purchase and sales agreement.

James voiced his concerns on the signed agreement with Falzone and TPL. James would like to know if the conditions of the Selectmen were added to the agreement or if their concerns were even addressed.

David stressed the importance of the Selectmen reviewing the agreement.

The agreement between Mr. Falzone and the TPL has been signed. Agreements between the TPL and town and TPL and the Rockingham Land Trust have not been negotiated yet.

Wolfe would like the Board and Fran Lane to meet with the TPL without Rockingham Land Trust and then meet with all parties involved.

Wolfe and Gregg will contact the Selectmen to schedule the next meeting.

Wolfe will work on a time line for the Selectmen.

David made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:50pm, James seconded and all were in favor.

Chief Reed presented a proposal for electrical work for the generator. Betsy made a motion to approve David Booths proposal, James seconded and all were in favor.

Chief Reed discussed the security issues. David suggested Chief Reed speak to Larry Shaw to get ideas.

Chief Reed informed the Selectmen that Brett Wells will be graduating from the Academy on March 25, 2005.

Correspondence from the Rockingham Land Trust regarding tree cutting abutting the Hilton property was reviewed.

Evergreen Estates letter of credit was reviewed. Betsy made a motion to sign the letter of credit, James seconded and all were in favor. David Dwyer signed as Chairman of the Board.

A letter from a resident was reviewed regarding tax exemptions. The resident is a seasonal resident therefore unable to receive exemptions. Wendy will send her a letter.

The Hearse House was discussed. The Water & Sewer Village District now owns it.

A letter from Joe Clark was read. He is planning on applying for a building permit when he comes home from Florida.

Chief Reed informed the Selectmen that Dale Robeck has resigned from the Newfields Police Department. He is working full time for the Newmarket Police Department.

Read correspondence from Fran Lane regarding the Lynch property.

Wendy informed the Board that the fire pond dredge & fill permit expires in 2007.

James made a motion to approve the minutes of February 22, 2005, Betsy seconded and all were in favor.

James updated the Board on the Conservation Commission. The members have rotated their positions.

It was decided to meet next week at 6:30pm on Election Day.

David made a motion to adjourn at 9:00pm, James seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy V. Chase

