## Selectboard Meeting

Selectboard Member's present: Chair Joel Bouvier, Michelle Perlee, Brian Fox, and Sharon Compagna. Also present: Interim Town Administrator Therese Kirby, Administrative Assistant Jen Stetson, filmed for NEAT TV by Mary Arbuckle, Bill Brown, and Jim Quaglino.

1. At 7:00 pm Joel Bouvier called the meeting to order. Bill Brown joined the board to discuss his interest in the Planning Commission. He has moved from the area and recently moved back. He thinks that Bristol is an amazing community and would like to be part of a group that preserves what Bristol has. The Board thanked him for his interest.

2. The Selectboard discussed the sidewalk bid submitted on May 14, 2014. The only bidder was Case Street Redi-Mix. Therese Kirby discussed the price Case Street quoted, but we still have to decide which areas to be completed this year. Brian Fox had spoken with Pete Bouvier who would like to see 5 foot wide sidewalks due to the size of the sidewalk plow. The Board agreed to change the sidewalk width from 4 feet to 5 feet. Case Street said they would have the sidewalks complete by June 30<sup>th</sup> as outlined in the scope of work. Sharon Compagna moved to award the bid to Case Street Redi-mix at \$32 per linear foot for 5 wide sidewalks. Brian Fox seconded. So voted.

3. The Selectboard discussed the bids received for the tractor. The high bid for the tractor was \$3700 by Rick Couse from New York. Brian Fox moved to accept the bid from Rick Couse for \$3700 for the tractor and authorize Pete Bouvier to sign the title and the bill of sale. Sharon Compagna seconded. So voted. The high bid for the truck was \$42,138 from Copp Excavating from Maine. Brian Fox moved to accept the bid for the truck from Copp Excavating for \$42,138 and authorize Therese Kirby to sign the title and the bill of sale. Sharon Compagna seconded. So voted.

4. Brian Fox moved to authorize Joel Bouvier to sign the contract for three years with Vermont Elevator Inspection Services for the lifts at Holley Hall, Howden Hall, and the Library costing \$150 per lift. Michelle Perlee seconded. So voted.

5. The Selectboard approved an accounts payable warrant of \$48,706.56.

6. Sharon Compagna moved to approve meeting minutes from May 5, May 12, and May 13 and May 14, 2014 as printed. Brian Fox seconded. So voted.

7. Treasurer: Michelle Perlee asked about recreation revenue. Therese Kirby explained there should be a big jump in revenue soon due to sign up for the summer programs. Michelle Perlee asked about the salt budget, and if there was any salt left. Jen Stetson clarified that Peter Bouvier had pre-bought salt with Capital Road money. That money will be transferred from his salt budget back to Capital Road Fund next fiscal year. Michelle Perlee asked about the training budget. Therese Kirby described that line item wasn't just used for educational trainings, but also gym memberships. She also explained training changes from year to year as finding training you are interested in becomes available. Michelle Perlee asked about the tree planting line. Joel Bouvier explained that was actually tree removal. Michelle Perlee asked about the 2007 Pumper Tanker line. Joel Bouvier explained they had some serious repairs that needed to be done. Michelle Perlee asked about Youth Center health insurance budget. Therese Kirby explained based on the changes with the State health insurance it required the Town to offer health insurance to employees who didn't have health insurance before and that work over 30 hours a week.

8. Troy Paradee joined the board regarding the renovation project for Mount Abraham. The School Board has approved a bond vote for November 2014. At this point, the committee did not have a final project ready, but they are in the process of surveying the staff, students, and community to address what they like and what they would like to see changed. The committee plans to have a final design by late summer/early fall. Troy Paradee noted there is a website for the project and was here to inform the Selectboard about where they are in the process and hopes the Board will encourage the community to complete the survey, but also encourage them to seek out facts. Brian Fox asked what they were thinking about for repairs. Troy Paradee said the sub-committee is looking for a long term fix for the building. Therese Kirby asked the size of the bond. Troy Paradee said between 10 and 24 million dollars. The Selectboard thanked Troy Paradee for his time.

9. The Selectboard discussed the process of moving forward with the Fire Facility Site Selection Committee's recommendation. Brian Fox thinks the Board needs to begin negotiations with the Recreation Club. There Kirby will contact Troy Paradee and ask if at their next Recreation Club meeting they could discuss which members will represent the Club to begin negotiations. The Board believes the March 2015 election is a realistic goal to vote on a new Fire Facility. This allows time for negotiations, community input and does not put them in competition with the Mount Abraham Union High School Bond Vote. Sharon Compagna asked about reaching out to the Horse Club. Michelle Perlee recommended she reach out to Chanin Hill.

10. Selectboard Round Table: Michelle Perlee asked if they had received the lease for The Hub back from the Recreation Club. Therese Kirby said no and she would discuss that with Troy Paradee. Sharon Compagna noticed the tag on the fire hydrant on North Street. Therese Kirby will ask Lance Perlee about its status. Joel Bouvier asked about the trees on Devino Lane. Therese Kirby had spoken with Peter Bouvier, and he would add it to his list, but it wasn't a priority. Joel Bouvier asked if Lance Perlee or Pete Bouvier will be patching the pavement for any water repairs done this winter. Therese Kirby will follow up with Lance Perlee, but thought that waiting until their heard from Kevin Camara in June would potentially help determine what they would do. Joel Bouvier discussed the parking on Plank Road near the Watershed. Therese Kirby had spoken with Kevin Gibbs about placing No Parking Signs. Joel Bouvier wanted to clarify the Vermont State Police towed the vehicle. Therese Kirby said yes and Kevin Gibbs discussed this with the state trooper who issued the ticket. Therese Kirby will reach out to David Brynn to discuss his ideas for a solution before the Selectboard will take any action.

11. Town Administrators Report: Therese Kirby asked the board about the updated fee schedules for Howden Hall and Holley Hall proposed by Darla Senecal. Darla researched from surrounding towns and she has submitted what she feels are reasonable prices. Joel Bouvier asked if the non-residential rental fee was enough and suggested seasonal renting changes based on use of utilities. Sharon Compagna moved to adopt the new fee schedules for Howden Hall and Holley Hall as printed. Brian Fox seconded. So voted. Therese Kirby asked if they wanted her to reach out to Don Gale again about his tapping agreement with the Town. Brian Fox said yes, they want to meet with Don Gale. The Board discussed the Conservation Commission's role in this. Therese Kirby will contact Don Gale to schedule a meeting with the Selectboard. She asked if the Board wanted to apply for a FEMA grant in order to potentially receive 75% of the funding for a generator. Therese Kirby discussed the meeting she had with Chris Griggs. The board asked her to pursue the grant. Therese Kirby asked if the Board had any sites for the ACRPC 2015 Transportation Planning study request for. They did not. She will check with Peter Bouvier. Therese Kirby asked about department head evaluations and how the board wanted to proceed. The Selectboard agreed they would meet with two department heads at 6:30 pm on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and one department head at 6:30 pm on June 16<sup>th</sup> both in executive session. Joel Bouvier read the thank you card from Bill Bryant.

12. At 8:05 pm Brian Fox moved to go into executive session regarding two personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, or evaluation of public officers or employees and two legal matters/real estate negotiations involving the Town where premature general public knowledge of the subject matter would clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage. Michelle Perlee seconded. So voted.

Executive session adjourned at 9:20 pm. The following motions were made:

Michelle Perlee directed the Interim Town Administrator to issue a letter of reprimand to Darla Senecal as discussed in executive session. Brian Fox seconded. So voted.

Brian Fox moved to enter into a three year contract with Therese Kirby as Town Administrator effective July 1, 2014. Sharon Compagna seconded. So voted.

Michelle Perlee moved to adjourn at 9:26 pm. Sharon Compagna seconded. So voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jen Stetson Administrative Assistant