



MINUTES OF THE PAWLET SELECT BOARD

February 21, 2012

7:10PM Meeting called to order by chair Mike Beecher

Present: Joe Clark, Mike Beecher, Bob Jones, Sue LaPorte (8:42)

Audience Present: Keith Mason

The minutes of February 7, 2012 were reviewed. *Motion by Joe, seconded by Bob, to accept the minutes with corrections. So voted.*

Audience:

Keith Mason, road foreman, regarding the truck bids.

- The board discussed the various pros and cons of the different vehicles.
- They also discussed the different trade-in offers.
- With Keith's recommendation, the board agreed that the Mack is the best value.
- The truck bodies were discussed.
- Keith recommended the Tenco.
- The different financing options were discussed.
- Keith said there is a 3-4 month lead time on the truck order.

Motion by Joe, seconded by Bob, to accept the Mack truck proposal and the Tenco body proposal, to be financed through the Bank of Bennington at the variable rate. (Deck was called and approved the board's decision. Sue was brought up to speed when she arrived, and she was fine with the board's decision.) So voted, unanimously.

- Keith would like to purchase a new Husqvarna chainsaw and wanted to make the board aware of his decision.

Correspondence:

The bids for the 550 Ford were opened and read: Thomas Walker: \$2700.00. Jed Rubin: \$2301.00. It was the general consensus of the board to accept the bid from Thomas Walker.

The Clerk's memo was reviewed:

- Sue LaPorte has to work until 7 and will be late to the meeting.
- Per conversations with Mike Beecher, James Marshall from Anthem Sports has followed up with information about the Tour of the Dragons bicycle race scheduled for May 5-6. The board approved the race on May 5-6 and signed the letter as requested. The board will have Deb mail the signed letter back to James Marshall.
- Two truck bids have been received.
- Information from Philip Picotte regarding Incident Command workshops. The board reviewed the information.
- Please sign the Liquor and Tobacco licenses for Sheldon's Market. The board signed the licenses.
- The Town Report has been successfully uploaded to the web-site if anyone inquires or is interested. The Warning appeared in the Lakes Region Free Press this past weekend. Sample ballots are up.

The Wastewater Treatment Facility memo was reviewed.

The Planning Commission minutes were reviewed. The Pawlet Planning Commission meeting for December was cancelled due to lack of a quorum.

Unfinished Business:

Joe is waiting for John Thrasher's review of the Schindler contract before moving forward with the bill.

In reference to the Kibling letter, no laws have been broken regarding the quarry matter. The constable has been notified about the dogs. Regarding the felony, it is a non-extraditable offence.

Mike received an email from Peter Pochop. He is in the process of finishing up the specifications, but the process has been delayed at the State level due to the upheaval from Tropical Storm Irene. Mike will keep on top of this with Peter.

The current section of the Rosenthal drain is finished.

New Business:

Keith reported a fender-bender on Sunday morning on Herrick Brook Road. Keith will fill out an accident report form for the insurance company.

Any Other Business:

Keith is ahead of the game with diesel and salt. They are trying to keep ahead of the ruts on the roads, anticipating storm plowing.

The mowing schedule was discussed.

9:18PM Motion to adjourn by Bob, so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Folger, clerk