

Wallingford Selectboard Meeting  
Minutes  
August 3, 2015

Selectboard Members Present: Nelson Tift, Gary Fredette, Rose Regula, and Bill Brooks

Others Present: Julie Sharon, Sandi Switzer and Phil Baker

Chairman Nelson Tift called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Wallingford Town Hall.

**Agenda Amendments.** Town Administrator Sandi Switzer added an Elfin Lake visitor issue to the agenda.

**Minutes.** G. Fredette made a motion that was seconded by B. Brooks to approve the Minutes of the July 20, 2015 meeting. Motion carried (4-0).

**Selectboard Orders.** G. Fredette made a motion that was seconded by B. Brooks to approve pay orders totaling \$28,947.53 after \$93.05 was added for Lisa Cotrupi recreation expenses. Motion carried (4-0).

G. Fredette made a motion that was seconded by B. Brooks to approve the June 30, 2015 (#2) pay orders totaling \$57,016.63. Motion carried (4-0).

**Road Commissioner's Report.** Road Commissioner Phil Baker recommended the Paccar engine and after-treatments three-year extended warranty for the 2016 Kenworth at a cost of \$2775 and the Eaton Manual transmission two-year extended warranty at a cost of \$765. Mr. Baker said the extended warranties mean those systems would be covered for five years.

B. Brooks made a motion that was seconded by G. Fredette to approve Mr. Baker's recommendations totaling \$3540 in extended warranties. Motion carried (3-1). N. Tift voted "No."

B. Brooks made a motion that was seconded by N. Tift directing Town Clerk and Treasurer Julie Sharon to secure a three-year loan for the purchase of the Kenworth. Motion carried (4-0).

Mr. Baker said he had informed Fuller Sand and Gravel there were limited funds for paving this summer. He said Elm and River Streets would be paved and possibly a section of Circular Drive. He said paving dates have not been set.

Mr. Baker recommended the town purchase 3000 tons of winter sand from Pike Industries this year. He said the material was mixed with half-inch stone and many towns were using it. He noted Pike would match SLC price of \$6.90 a ton.

G. Fredette made a motion that was seconded by B. Brooks directing the road crew to purchase winter sand from Pike Industries. Motion carried (4-0).

N. Tift noted commercial trucks had been illegally parking along a section of Route 7 in the village. Mr. Baker said he would update pavement markings.

Mr. Baker said he would be placing some large logs at the transfer station yard waste area to create a barrier.

Town Administrator Sandi Switzer requested permission to initiate a Network Inventory with a member of the road crew in September that would reduce the town's local match by 10 percent on state paving grants. The board approved the request by consensus.

**Heating Oil Bids.** The board tabled action on Town Hall and Town Garage heating oil bids until the August 5 meeting.

**Homestead Declaration Late Filing Penalties.** The board by consensus agreed the town would assess the appropriate 3% and 8% penalties as outlined in the state statute for those property owners failing to file Homestead Declaration forms by the state deadline.

**Public Comments.** None

**Replacement Value of Pavilion.** The board by consensus agreed to set the replacement value of the pavilion at \$10,000 for insurance purposes.

There was a discussion regarding a date for the pavilion dedication. Board members agreed the event should not take place after the lake closes August 22 to ensure the facility can be secured and all items such as picnic tables safely stored for the winter. The board agreed a dedication should take place next June when the lake is open for the season.

**Wallingford Pond Access.** By unanimous consent, the board approved a revised plan suggested by Scott Wixsom of Green Mountain National Forest Service to create a barrier for vehicles approximately 225 feet from the picnic area and 300 feet from the water's edge on a spur off Wallingford Pond Road.

**Selectboard Concerns.** G. Fredette said he along with Selectman Mark Tessier visited the camp area off Mitchell Road. He said camps would be accessible by 4-wheel drive vehicles after a tree was cleared.

**Other Business/Announcements.** The board listened to audio recordings produced by Jerry Florance of a neighbor's dog barking. They also reviewed a statement prepared by Mr. Florance with dates and times the dog barked.

The board directed S. Switzer to issue a municipal ticket to the dog's owner for violating Town Ordinance Title 4 Section 4204 after the dog warden obtains Mr. Florance's signature on the statement.

There was a discussion about the Conservation Commission's plan to install a split rail fence in the parking area. The board directed S. Switzer to inquire whether the split rail fence next to the concession stand at the lake could be extended.

The board discussed recent incidences involving a group creating multiple issues during several visits to Elfin Lake. The board agreed Constable Jerry Tift should issue a Notice Trespass Order to Renee Cole.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Date Approved: 08/17/15

Sandi Switzer, Town Administrator