



Town of Piermont

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Board of Selectmen Work Session Minutes of Meeting May 1, 2014 at 7:30 AM

Present: Chairman, Colin Stubbings; Selectmen, Robert Lang, Ernie Hartley; Executive Assistant, Jennifer Collins; Road Agent, Frank Rodimon.

Chairman Stubbings called the meeting to order at 7.28 am and stated that it was being recorded for the purpose of accurate minutes only.

The Board discussed the fact that none of the proposed letters to the abutters of the Town properties that were available for sale had been given to us for signature. Jennifer Collins was asked why and stated the information had not been given to her for a few days and she intended to have them that day for signature. Selectman Lang stated that he had given this information last Thursday afternoon. The deadline for response was to be set at June 2, 2014 so that the Board could read them at the following Board of Selectman's meeting. Payment would be expected 30 days from acceptance of any bid.

Frank Rodimon asked if we had anything special that we wanted to do with the old flagpole from the PVMG. Discussion of possible locations such as any of the cemeteries that did not have one was had. Frank stated that the forms had been made ready for the bases to be poured and that the monuments could possibly be here in time for Memorial Day. He reported that the roads and culverts were holding up well. Discussion was had on the report Frank had prepared and submitted to the Board after the last Board of Selectmen's Meeting.

Some discussion was held on the Town's Mail Boxes and whether they had been used for personal mail and that this should not be the case. Some personnel issues were discussed.

Chairman Stubbings stated that Jamie Dow had referred the Inventory Penalty question to Patti at Avitar but he had heard nothing back yet.

It was agreed that the Camp Walt Whitman Mediation Summary was good. Nobody had yet heard of an amended date for the rescheduling of the cancelled Bagley Court Hearing.

Chairman Stubbings stated that Orford Selectman, Tom Steketeer had called to speak with him and left a message to call him back but due to the lateness of his return home he had not yet done so.

The Board was still waiting to hear from Bryon Kidder regarding his survey of the Mazilli Fire Pond. Selectman Hartley had spoken with Susan Belyea and congratulated her on her appointment. Chairman Stubbings was still to discuss with her the pay rate.

A discussion was had on the increased cost that the Town had incurred on the Barton Road Bridge and how this was to be recovered from either Latuillippe or Bergeron or both. Chairman Stubbings will draft a letter to follow this up again. Selectman Lang was worried whether there was a Statute of Limitations that may mean we cannot do so.

Discussion took place on the emails regarding the Dugouts and Memorial Day. The Board would be happy to add their thanks to the letters but would not attend the Dugout Thank You Ceremony in an official capacity. The Board will attend Memorial Day and consider speaking.

Jennifer was requested to arrange a meeting with the Town Clerk and Deputy for 6pm Wednesday, May 14, 2014 to discuss matters.

Chairman Stubbings stated that the Sewer Bills had been issued and the Board reviewed the month end report from the Tax Collector and it was noted that the outstanding had reduced considerably and that collection had been good. Various large debtors were discussed. The cabinet containing the assessing records was noted as being locked and that as public records they should be available. It was agreed that it should not be available to just anybody to get to the information as this could cause problems but that the Tax Collector should have access but should state that the information available may be incomplete if she provides any. Jennifer was asked why the sale to Gladstone in December 2012 had not been processed until May 2013, but she could not remember why.

Selectman Hartley stated that the School thanked us for the time spent with the Kindergarten and Pre-K children on their recent visit to the Town Offices.

Selectman Lang motioned to approve the April 17, 2014, Work Session Minutes as written. This was seconded by Selectman Hartley. Motion passed (3-0).

At 8.44am Selectman Lang motioned to adjourn the Board of Selectmen's Work Session, this was seconded by Selectman Hartley. The vote passed (3-0).

Respectfully submitted
Colin Stubbings
Chairman