

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2016 - Fuller Town Hall @ 3:30 p.m.

Selectmen present: Ladd, Davis and Macdonald: Other present: Mike Lynch, Gary Puleo, Charles Goulet and Suzanne Goulet.

Larry started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Larry announced that the Selectmen are going to be putting a 10 minutes time limit on Public Input and Appointments so that the meetings can be more structured.

Mike Lynch came to finalize the Road Contract with the Selectmen. Mike said that there were some prices on equipment that were incorrect and that he hasn't discussed a contract price with the Selectmen yet. After much discussion Mike's Road Contract will be increased to \$95,000.00 with \$5,040.00 lump sum at the beginning of the contract and 52 equal Payment over the year of \$1,730.00. The \$2,000.00 increase in contract is due to the extra plowing of the Fairpoint parking lot and pushing back of snow on the other side of Main Street, to widen it to winter traffic, and the extra sanding. Mike said it would be \$30.00 x 20 = \$600.00 for plowing, snow removal with bucket would be \$75.00 x 3 hrs. x 5 times = \$1,125 and \$275.00 for plowing the parking lot and sanding The Road Contract will be changed and it will be signed by all at next week's meeting. Mike also talked about the Parking Lot, School and Christie Road projects for this year.

Gary Puleo came to let the Selectmen know about his plan to open up a Tavern in the back of the building where the Riverside Market & Deli. are. Gary said that he will be serving beer, wine and food from the deli. Gary said that he is in the process of getting permits, licenses and doing renovations. Gary also said that he is looking at a possible opening in May with a Grand Opening on Memorial Day weekend. Gary also discussed having parking in the back of the building.

There was some discussion of the lighting situation in the hall and that the Presidential Primary is next week. The poll workers have been complaining about the poor lighting. The Selectmen decided to go with the new lighting told Charles to make sure to get the incentive from the State if you buy them at Home Depot. Charles said that he is not making anything on the lights and will be installing them for free.

Jamie said that Tanko sent the Current Street Lighting Maps along with some suggestions on wattage. The Selectmen will need to look at the packets and give feedback next week.

Clayton said that he tried to call Rosaire Marquis but he is in Florida so he said that he will try to contact him when he gets back home.

Clayton also said that he spoke to Ben Doyle from USDA and was told that Stratford is in an excellent position to get a Grant from USDA for the Pavilion. Clayton said that we need to start with a Letter of Intent with a deadline of February 15th. Suzanne said that she dealt with Ann Getchel from USDA for the Generator and Town Garage Grants.

Jamie said that he would like to express concern in Public Minutes concerning complaints about the Stratford PD. Jamie said that all of the complainers want to stay anonymous because they are untrusting and afraid that lives will be targeted. Jamie said that personally because of these complaints in a whole the public need to feel safer by addressing their concerns. Clayton said that they should meet with the department next week and that the value of the complaints is reduced by anonymity but the number of complaints doesn't reduce concerns.

Signed contract to continue the Fairpoint Litigation with DT&C.

Macdonald/Davis (2/0 approved) motion for the Chairman of the Board to sign the DT&C contract to continue the Fairpoint Litigation.

Ladd/Davis (3/0 approved) motion to sign the Manifest and order the Treasurer to sign P/R Check #35130-35133 in the amount of \$1,244.12 and DD P/R Checks in the amount of \$1,583.17 and A/P Checks #35134-35142 in the amount of \$9429.57 as presented on the Agenda.

Ladd/Davis (3/0 approved) motion to approve meeting minutes for 1/25/16.

Reviewed reminder of Pres. Primary on Feb. 9th.

Reviewed PD paperwork.

Reviewed Memo for private septic systems to be mailed with the P-28's.

Reviewed OEP Conference Flyer.

Reviewed Pelham Case concerning Tax on Trailers.

Ladd/Davis (3/0 approved) motion passed to adjourn meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Prepared by B. Ladd