Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
February 29, 2016 - Fuller Town Hall @ 3:30 p.m.

Selectmen present: Ladd, Davis and Macdonald: Others present: Chester Smart, Christine Cousins, Ben Blodgett, Vicki DeLalla, Charles Goulet and Suzanne Goulet.

Larry started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chester Smart came to talk to the Selectmen about the amount of water going into the Millhouse Sewer. Chester said that it is normally 5,000-6,000 gal. per day and it is presently 50,000 gal. per day. Chester said that this has been a problem for many years and he doesn't know how to correct it. Chester told the Selectmen that he has done testing and he still can't pinpoint where the problem is. Chester said that it is coming from people having their sump pumps going into the sewer and it is coming from the Lower Millhouses. Chester said that his pumps for the sewer are running constantly which is hard on the pumps and the cost of electricity to run these pumps is going to increase quite a bit. The Selectmen said that they think that DES should be called and maybe they can find a solution. The Selectmen and Chester both said that they would like to compare the electric bills to see just how much more electricity is being used.

Christine Cousins came to talk to the Selectmen about an issue that she is having with her foundation on her house, It needs to be fixed from the inside and the outside and is finding it to be difficult locating the boundary line, so she has called a Surveyor and is waiting for them to call back. The Selectmen advised Christine to get her property surveyed.

Vicki DeLalla said that she could not find any cost of the Pavilion in the Town Report. Clayton said that there is no firm plan yet and they need to establish a good plan first. Clayton said that it is just in the development stages right now and that Kathy Roth's letter in the paper was just to get information out there to see if people would be in support.

Clayton said that he spoke to the Marchand's about the streetlight and the removal and Clayton said that they wouldn't complain either way. There was some discussion and Clayton said that he thought it could be used better somewhere more effective. Jamie said that he would redo the lighting maps and show everyone for approval then sent it to Tanko.

Jamie said that just coming to the meeting today he could see all the trash on the sides of the road. Jamie said that he would like to have a Community Day and have volunteers from the Town to pick up the trash. Suzanne told Jamie that Mike Lynch had said something about getting bags and vests from the DOT when the 4-H had thought of doing it. Jamie said that he would like someone to talk to Mike and see if that is still possible. Jamie said that he would like to advertise it when a date has been set.

Clayton said that he went to Chamber of Commerce Meeting and he said that it was interesting. Clayton said that the buzz in the room was about the impact the Balsams will have on the area. They were saying that there are Business people that are just waiting to move in and the towns need to prepare. The Town of Stratford has no zoning so we need to be conscious of the fact that we could be steam rolled. The Selectmen would like to think about it and talk about Zoning more at a later date.

[Ladd/Davis (3/0 approved) motion to sign the Manifest and ordered the Treasurer to sign P/R Checks #35171-35173 in the amount of $514.74 and Direct Deposit P/R Checks in the amount of $1,753.15 and A/P Checks #35174-35192 in the amount of $4,575.81 in the Selectmen's Office on 2/22/15.]

Ladd/Davis (3/0 approved) motion to sign the Manifest and order the Treasurer to sign P/R Check #35193-35195 in the amount of $1,1267.70 and DD P/R Checks in the amount of $1,635.62 and A/P Checks #35196-35202 in the amount of $3,324.75 as presented on the Agenda.

Signed Between Meetings: 2-Reservation Forms for the Cohos Historical Society.

Signed Reservation Form for King for Pavilion.

Signed Notices on Intent to Tax on Land of Another.

Signed Abatement for Vaughan.

Davis/Ladd (3/0 approved) motion to approve meeting minutes for 2/15/16 with two corrections.

Reviewed Abatement from Eversource.

Reviewed DOT Resurfacing in District 1.

Reviewed AG Commission information from Stephen Tracy from the Grange. Suzanne said that she would forward the email to the Selectmen.

Reviewed Invitation to the Primex Annual Conference.

Reviewed See Something/Say Something materials and asked if the Selectmen would like to order posters and brochures and they said no and if they would like the Quarterly Newsletter and they said no to that also.

Reviewed DRA Review of Contract. The Selectmen said that they would like more time to review both the DRA Contract and the Contract from Gary Fournier before signing. Suzanne said that she would email both contracts to all the Selectmen.

Reviewed information from the Town's Attorney on the Brauer Issue.

Reviewed Resignation from Lloyd Tippitt from the PD.

Reviewed the Honor Flight New England which asked if there was anyone from our town that we could send. The Selectmen couldn't think of anyone at this time.

Reviewed NCC invitation to have a Selectmen as a TAC Member. Clayton said that he would be willing to represent the Selectmen of Stratford.

Ladd/Davis (3/0 approved) motion to allow Clayton to represent the Stratford Select board as a TCC Member.

Reviewed Planning Board Minutes for January and February.

Ladd/Davis (3/0 approved) motion passed to adjourn meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Prepared by B. Ladd