

LONDONDERRY SELECTBOARD
MEETING MINUTES
November 21, 2016
Approved December 5, 2016

Present: Steve Prouty, Paul Gordon, Bill Wylie, Will Reed, Tina Labeau, Steve Twitchell, Candy Bliss, Ruth Ann Batchelder, Dick Dale, Melissa Hart, Duane Hart, Bruce Frauman - GNAT

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.
- 2) **Additions and deletions to the agenda-** No additions or deletions
- 3) Minutes – Paul moved and Will seconded to approve the minutes from 11/17/16 with the corrections that were made. Passed.
- 4) **Pay orders** were signed.
- 5) **Announcements and correspondence-** Correspondence passed around. Announcements – there will be a Town Officer & Employee Potluck on Wednesday, November 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the Rescue Squad Building. Spouses and Families are welcome. Will announced the sale on Magic Mountain was completed today. Paul announced that the Route 11 letter was sent to all safety & local officials in neighboring towns as well as Windham Regional Commission, Senators, Representatives & VTRANS Officials.
- 6) **Visitors and Concerned Citizens** – Dick Dale announced that the Merger committee voted unanimously to merge per Act 46.
- 7) **Local Control Commission** – Motion by Will – seconded by Bill to approve the Liquor License Application for Duke Enterprises d/b/a The Mill Tavern. No Discussion. Passed.
- 8) **Town Officials Business** –
 - a. Chester Snowmobile Club – Paul moved and Will seconded to allow the Club to use Lowell Lake Road as access to VAST Trails with the same conditions as prior years. Passed.
 - b. Volunteer Application Approval – Applications presented were for Melissa Hart & Candy Bliss. Paul moved and Will seconded to approve both applications. Passed.
 - c. Municipal Planning Grant – Change of Municipal Authorizing Signer – Paul moved to appoint Stephanie Thompson as the authorized signer, Will seconded. Passed.
 - d. Zoning Administrator – Nothing new – no new applications, job posting is still on the website. Dick Dale said Windham Regional was looking in to finding a regional Zoning Administrator.
- 9) **Transfer Station** –
 - a. Only received one bid for plowing from David Johnson of \$6500. Bill moved to accept the bid, Paul seconded. Discussion about Workmen’s Comp Insurance. Motion amended to accept the bid pending proof of Workmen’s Comp. Passed.
 - b. Steve Twitchell was in attendance to say that he and Keith will be off on December 26 & January 2, but the transfer and recycling will be open and covered by the part-time employees.

- c. Duane had Champion Overhead Door measure the compactor shed for replacing the current overhead door that no longer works. We will be getting a quote from them. The need for this was brought up by VLCT's Loss Control Consultant Wade Masure in an inspection of the transfer station.

10) Roads and Bridges –

- a. Road side mowing bids; Hart's All Season \$15,000, Bruce Orchitt \$10,500 – discussion about the purpose for mowing bids was to plan for next year's budget – if it is feasible to sub out this work or have it done in house, mower replacement cost. Will suggested we write to the bidders and thank them and let them know we will keep them updated.
- b. Highway crew is in between seasons and have been cutting brush and trees. Registration for the new truck is in the pay order. Duane noted that Viking turned out to be a good company to work with for the plow and sanding equipment. Update on the Thompsonburg Bridge grant has been submitted for payment. Steve asked about Better Back Roads Grants and Duane said they are not due until March 17, 2017. The new truck will be taken to get undercoated and Paul is working on the letter for the doors. Duane also said they have stockpiled some sand at the transfer station.

11) Old business-

- a. Salt & Sand Shed – Bill is sending a picture of the Prouty Land access to VTRANS to say that both access already exist and we may need them for future use of the property. Bill had a sketch done of a stick built building. This week he will be meeting with some excavation companies about preparing the site. Steve noted that Duane has done some research in old town reports that state that one of the purposes of the Prouty land be used for a future Sand & Salt Shed.
- b. Town Office Cleaning – after some discussion Will made a motion to offer the job to Bonnie Cobb at \$20.00 per hour on payroll – then she will be covered by our workmen's comp insurance and her tax liability – estimated at 2 hours per week and as needed per the advertising. Bill Seconded. Passed.

12) New business- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.