

Minutes

June 16, 2015

Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m. Chris, Penny and Emily were present, along with several residents.

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed.

Selectmen signed Warrant #10 for \$62,551.69.

Selectmen discussed upcoming roadwork. They reviewed estimates for paving and repairs from Todd Littlefield. Estimates from Pike had previously been reviewed.

Selectmen agreed that repairs need to be done on Libby Hill Road and Clark Road, roadway entrances will be paved on certain roads and Kanokolus Road from Rt. 9 to the end of the cemetery will be paved. The top coat on Town Farm Road will not be done this year.

Selectmen voted to give the work to Todd Littlefield provided that he can start no later than 8/1/2015.

Preparations for paving Kanokolus Road were discussed. Large trees need to be removed.

The Public Hearing scheduled for June 30th was discussed. Selectmen will explain what will be done to Kanokolus Road and the cost estimate.

The Budget Committee meeting immediately following the Public Hearing will focus on a long term financial plan for town roads. Sue will get estimates from Camden National Bank on what the payments would be on a \$1,000,000 loan to be paid back over 5 years.

The Comprehensive Plan Committee's upcoming forum was discussed. Several residents expressed strong opposition to the committee's plans for a small group format forum. They feel that it filters out true results and that the committee can control the outcome if held in small groups. They want the forum to be held in a large group format so that all opinions can be heard. Penny stated that she personally preferred the large group format. Chris feels that the large group forum is more effective. Emily will relay this information to the Comp Plan committee. It was suggested that a mailing prior to the meeting might be helpful to educate residents on what key points will be discussed, although there is little time for a mail prior to this upcoming forum. Additional forums will likely need to be held.

Selectmen recently appointed Nick Brancato as the Emergency Management Director for Unity. The stipend for his position hadn't been discussed. Sue will check with Dale Rowley to see what the other Waldo County towns pay their EMA Director.

Sue updated Selectmen on the Dean Davis "Notice of Tort Claim". The MMA claims representative has contacted Mr. Davis' attorney for further information and hasn't heard from them at this point.

Penny Sampson volunteered to be on the KVCOG General Assembly board. She suggested Lucia Picard as Unity's other member.

Other Business:

Emily has received 2 designs for the “Welcome to Unity” signs.

A hiring committee was discussed. Chairs of the Planning Board, Appeals Board, and Budget Committee, a former Selectmen and the current Board of Selectmen will form this committee. All candidates for the Adm. Assistant position will be interviewed by this committee.

Penny will work on an employee “handbook” for all appointed positions, including CEO and ACO.

Emily reported that Unity will be receiving a generator for a “command center” in the event of a natural disaster. The firehouse is the logical location for the command center.

Blaine Parsons has requested permission to move some of the large rocks at Kanokolus Beach to permit easier access to the beach area during the winter fishing derby sponsored by the fire department. Selectmen will take this into consideration. A fence or other barrier will need to replace the rocks so that vehicles stay off the beach area.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.