

West Windsor Selectboard  
Draft Minutes  
December 19, 2016

Present: Dick Beatty, Tom Kenyon, Win Johnson, Martha Harrison, Glenn Seward, Rob Calhoun, Tom Kennedy, Deb Shearer, Mike Spackman, Jim Lyaal, Cathy Archibald

- 1) Participate in a Public Hearing by the Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission (SWCRPC) on Brownfields grant funding for Ascutney Outdoors to complete asbestos abatement work on the burned-out Base Lodge – Tom Kennedy, Executive Director of the SWCRPC, opened the public hearing at 8:00 AM. Win asked if the funding is for asbestos removal in the old lodge, as well as the burned-out Lodge. Tom said it's just for asbestos removal and disposal in the burned-out Lodge. Since the two properties have different owners, the town will have to apply separately for funding to remove the asbestos in the old lodge. The estimated cost of removing asbestos from the old lodge and properly disposing of it is \$40,000. With no further questions or comments, Tom Kennedy closed the public hearing at 8:11 AM.
- 2) Call to Order – Dick called the Selectboard meeting to order at 8:11 AM.
- 3) Changes or additions to the agenda – None
- 4) Announcements/Public Comment – None
- 5) Application for Public Assembly by Ascutney Outdoors for Winterfest on February 11, 2017 from 7:00 AM until 3:00 PM on the Ski Hill & surrounding trails on Ski Tow Rd – Win asked if there will be any fires as part of the event. Deb said there would be a burn barrel for cooking S'mores. Deb said there may also be music if the pending Act 250 permit allows it. **Win moved to approve the application provided that the only fire allowed is in the burn barrel. Tom seconded the motion.** Dick asked about Deb's meeting with the Fire Chief and the FAST Squad Director. Deb said the meeting had to be postponed but she will still meet with them and comply with their conditions. Dick asked Deb to confirm that there will be no liquor, which she did. **Dick called for a vote on the motion, which passed unanimously.** A subsequent discussion concluded that there is enough parking for the event in the existing plowed area.
- 6) Town Clerk/Treasurer's Report – The Town Clerk's report was moved to the end of the meeting.
- 7) Sign Town Clerk's orders – **Win moved to sign orders at the end of the meeting. Tom seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- 8) Highway Foreman's Report – Mike said the highway department was fully equipped for the storm this past weekend, and noted that parts have been ordered for the damaged truck, which should be repaired by late January/early February. Mike said he has the pay information the Selectboard requested. Mike said the highway department had to get diesel fuel from Dan Lesnick this weekend because the pump on the tank at the town garage is broken, so we'll be receiving a bill for that fuel. Regarding the maintenance garage, Mike said he has ordered the entry door and is waiting to hear back from the company that will be repairing the overhead doors.
- 9) 2016 and 2017 budget discussions – Budget discussions were deferred until the next meeting on December 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 AM.

- 10) Discuss winter access to water system – Since Patricia Beavers and Dennis Brown will be present at the December 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, this item was also deferred until then.
- 11) Discuss net metering agreement – Win said he'd like to check Next Sun's references but, provided the references are good, he's in favor of moving forward with the agreement. Dick said there are some specific contract details he would like to go over with Next Sun before signing an agreement. The Selectboard agreed that Dick should proceed to review the legal language with Next Sun.
- 12) Discuss sewer tank inspection proposal – Martha said she has not had a chance to review the proposal with Jason Booth but he will be present for the meeting on Wednesday. The Selectboard agreed to defer this agenda item until Wednesday.
- 13) Sign Recreational Trails grant report – Martha said she would like to make sure the report is complete before it is signed. This item was also deferred until Wednesday.
- 14) Other Business – There was no other business.
- 15) Approve Minutes - December 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>: Tom suggested deferring approval of the minutes until Wednesday. Dick and Win agreed.
- 16) Move to Library for Executive Session on personnel matters – The Executive Session was deferred until Wednesday.
- 17) Town Clerk's report – Cathy had a two-year ambulance contract from Windsor for \$11,737 per year, which is the same rate that we have been paying. **Tom moved to approve the contract. Dick seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- 18) Adjourn – After signing the Town Clerk's orders, **Tom moved to adjourn at 8:41 AM. Dick seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Harrison