MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, December 5, 2006 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Not present: Patrick Lombardi.


- The First Selectman opened the meeting at 7:35 PM.
- Everyone Saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve minutes from the Board of Selectmen meeting on 11-14-06.
Motion: Frank Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Yashu Putorti, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy) 0-No  1-Abstain (Roberta King) 0-Disqualify

First Selectman’s Report:
- New Haven Copper will be closing. Olin Corp the owners from Illinois have been speaking with three different developers who are all interested in developing the property.
- Skokorat Street paving should be starting tomorrow morning. All of O&G’s equipment is already at the site.
- The Economic Development Commission/MEDP Steering Committee has already received approximately 2,000 responses for their questionnaire that was sent, which is about a 27% return.
- December 18, 2006 there will be a meeting with a developer that is going to make an official proposal to develop property in the town, which could be an estimated $50,000,000 project that will be good for the town.
- Pop Warner Banquet was on this past Sunday.
- This past Sunday night was the tree lighting at Great Hill.

ITEM # 1 – Request from residents of Pearl Street area regarding proposed trucking school.
The First Selectman met with many residents that are concerned about the trucking school that is being proposed for the Pearl Street area. There will be a Planning & Zoning public hearing regarding the proposal on December 14, 2006 or if postponed will be on January 11, 2006. The concerns are based on safety, health, and noise that would come with the trucking school. The residents have a petition against this project.

Recess at 8:01 PM. Out of recess at 8:04 PM.

ITEM # 2 – Community revitalization of Castles in the Park.
A group of parents, which include Rhonda Geffert from 26 Shari Drive and Jen Harkey from 3 Deerfield Drive, would like to form a non-profit group to raise money and apply for grants to have the Castles in the Park part of Gary Park fixed. The play scape is falling apart and they are working with Public Works and a manufacturer of recycled plastic play scapes to try and replace it. They will be coming back to the Board of Selectmen in January 2007 with a presentation and proposal for this project. They are hoping to have most of the work done by volunteers. The First Selectman and the Board of Selectmen are very supportive of this project.

ITEM # 3 – Waive bidding for sand, 2006/2007 winter season.
Motion to waive the bidding for the sand for the 2006-2007 winter season.
Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 – Approve state bid for sand for the 2006/2007 winter season.
Motion to approve purchasing 2006/2007 winter season sand from Capital Heavy Hauling for $16.75 per yard ($0.50 less than last year) from the state bid list.
Motion: Roberta King Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – Waive bidding for salt for the 2006/2007 winter season.
Motion to waive the bidding for the salt for the 2006-2007 winter season.
Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 – Approve state bid for salt for the 2006/2007 winter season.
Motion to approve purchasing the 2006/2007 winter season salt from International Salt Company for $48.50 per ton ($0.50 less than last year) from the state bid list.
Motion: John Conroy Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 – Transfers.
Motion to transfer $20,000 from contingency acct # 1-001-410-1950-530-872 into Valley Transit District acct # 1-001-410-1950-525-858 for the Town of Seymour’s contribution to the Valley Transit District by state law. Refer to the Board of Finance.
Motion: Frank Conroy Second: John Conroy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.
Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of $735.48.
Motion: Yashu Putorti Second: Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 9 – Appointments.
None at this time.

ITEM # 10 – Correspondence.
10a – Check Registers.
10b – Letter to FOI regarding possible seminar on FOI laws.
10c – Letter from the First Selectman regarding an FOI complaint.
10d – Letter to Yankee Gas regarding paving Skokorat Street w/ O&G quote.
10e – Letter to DOT re Route 8 accidents.
10f – Letter to Sue Cable regarding traffic study on Skokorat.
10g – Letter regarding Veteran’s exemptions.
10h – Proposal from Yankee Gas regarding Skokorat Street.
10i – Energy Savings Report for electricity, gas, and oil for town buildings that had been changed to a 4-day work week. Very considerable savings.
10j – Letter to DPUC regarding towns objection to Yankee Gas rate increases.
10k – Derby Glass has started replacing the windows at the community center/senior center.

ITEM # 11 – Executive Session (Pending Litigation, Contract Negotiations, Personnel)
None at this time.

ITEM # 12 – Public Comment.
No action taken.

ITEM # 13 – Selectmen’s Comments.
Frank Conroy is upset about Sue Cable not responding to the several letters from the First Selectman and the State about a traffic study on Skokorat Street.

Yashu Putorti asked about the Hurricanes being in the Community Center Gym on the weekends and how it was working out. It is working out well. The little league has had to switch around, but everything is taken care of. Town will be getting a commitment letter from the Hurricanes to march in one Memorial Day Parade and perform one summer concert at no cost.

ITEM # 14 – Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 8:55 PM.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Roberta King
Vote: 6-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Submitted by, Reviewed by,
Deirdre Caruso, Robert J. Koskelowski,
Recording Secretary First Selectman