MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, August 8, 2006 @ 7:30 PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall


Not present: Roberta King and Paul Roy.


- Everyone Saluted the Flag and Stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen meeting on 7/11/06.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 4-Yes (Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, Yashu Putorti, Frank Conroy)  0-No  1-Abstain (Patrick Lombardi)  0-Disqualify

Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen Special meeting on 7/25/06.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

First Selectman’s Report:
- High School Football field and practice field have been re-done with 90,000 feet of sod and loam. Parks Department is not sure when to allow use. Pop Warner is practicing on the lower field.
- Joseph Migani wants to put senior housing in the old Eckhardt building and four retail stores on the main floor. Wants a support letter from the First Selectman by the 15th of this month.
- The Ambulance Corps. Building is almost complete. They are now working on Assembly Hall replacing windows, exterior doors, abated asbestos, and leveled off entrance by digging up cement.
- The sidewalk project for downtown is starting.
- July & August electric bills are going to be very high due to the increases. Bob will have a report for the Board on the usage.

ITEM # 1 – EMS Oversight Commission Report.
Motion to table EMS Oversight Commission Report until later in the meeting.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: John Conroy, Jr.
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 2 – Charter Revision Report.
The Charter Revision Commission submitted their draft report to the Town Clerk, who in turn submitted the report to the Board of Selectmen for review.

ITEM # 3 – Set Public Hearing for Charter Revisions on Monday, August 21, 2006 @ 7:00 PM in the Norma Drummer Room.
Motion to set Public Hearing for Charter Revisions on Monday, August 21, 2006 @ 7:00 PM in the Norma Drummer Room.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify
ITEM # 4 – Set Special Board of Selectmen meeting on Monday, August 21, 2006 @ 7:30 PM in the Norma Drummer Room.
Motion to set Special Board of Selectmen meeting on Monday, August 21, 2006 @ 7:30 PM in the Norma Drummer Room.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – Go out to bid for garbage contract.
The door to door garbage contract, which is held by Latella Rubbish Removal at this time, is expiring in September 2006 for $217,000.00.
Motion to go out to bid for the door to door garbage contract and have bids come into the First Selectman’s office on the meeting on September 5, 2006.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 – Go out to bid for heating and air conditioning contract for town buildings.
Motion to go out to bid for the heating and air conditioning maintenance contract for town buildings, which include Town Hall, Senior Center, Library, Public Works, Ambulance Corps., and 98 Bank Street and bids to come into the First Selectman’s office on September 5, 2006.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 – Contract for T-Mobile Tower.
This is the contract for the new T-Mobile Tower that will be put in next to the old tower behind Great Hill Fire House. Town Counsel has approved this contract. The Selectmen have questions about interruption in service when construction is in progress. A representative from the Fire Department is going to check.
Motion to table the contract for the T-Mobile Tower until later in the meeting.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Place on the table EMS Oversight Commission Report.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Discussion regarding the EMSOC Report. All attachments are given to the Selectmen, which include the Financial Reports and a letter from the EMS Oversight Commission. Town Counsel is asked on the status of the new lease agreement with the Town and Seymour Ambulance Association. He would like the EMSOC to put Executive Session on their next agenda to discuss the lease.

Place on the table T-Mobile Tower Contract.
Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Scott Andrews relayed a message from Tom Eighmie, Fire Chief confirming that there will be no interruption in emergency communication services and T-Mobile gave him two options that will be done during construction. Option one is a portable tower during construction. Option two is to relocate the existing tower near generator and it will remain in place during
construction. This will be at no cost to the Town and there will not be an interruption in emergency communication services.

Motion to authorize the First Selectman to sign the T-Mobile Tower Contract with no interruptions to the Town’s emergency communication during construction.

Motion: John Conroy  Second: Frank Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 8 – Fire Commissioners request to waive bidding for skylight replacement at Citizens Engine.

Four skylights in Citizens Engine have been replaced already by Nick’s Roofing last year for approximately $3,600. The remaining six skylights in Citizens need to be replaced and the cost is $5,700 from Nick’s Roofing.

Motion to waive the bidding on the replacement of the remaining six skylights in Citizens Engine and use Nick’s Roofing for a cost of approximately $5,700 to $6,000.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify
Amend motion to not exceed $6,000.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 9 – Contract for downtown sidewalk project.

Board reviews contract from Classic Pattern and Design for the downtown sidewalk project for a total of $36,179.00. The Board of Selectmen approved $28,795.00 at their last meeting.

Motion to approve the contract for the downtown sidewalk project from Classic Pattern and Designs to be completed by September 25, 2006 and not to exceed the contract amount of $36,179.00.

Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 10 – Little League Tax Abatement.

Motion to approve tax abatement for George J. Hummel Little League in the amount of $4,944.00.

Motion: Frank Conroy  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 11 – Acceptance of North Mead Farm Road.

Motion to table acceptance of North Mead Farm Road until the 17 plus acres of open space is stated in the deed until the next meeting on August 22, 2006.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 12 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount of $5,378.01.

Motion: Patrick Lombardi  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 13 – Appointments.

None at this time.

ITEM # 14 – Transfers.

None at this time.
ITEM # 15 – Correspondence.
- Check Registers.
- Letter to Police Department regarding action taken on the police vehicles.
- Letter to Joe Migani telling him that the fees will not be waived.
- Frank Conroy asks that more garbage bins be put around the bandstand at French Park.

ITEM # 16 – Executive Session (Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigations)
Motion to go into Executive Session for personnel with the Board of Selectmen and Town Counsel at 8:35 PM.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to come out of Executive Session with no motions or action taken at 9:02 PM.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: John Conroy
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Motion to authorize the First Selectman to go out to hire a manager for town facilities.
Motion: John Conroy  Second: Yashu Putorti
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

ITEM # 17 – Public Comment.
No action taken.

ITEM # 18 – Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 9:05 PM.
Motion: Yashu Putorti  Second: Patrick Lombardi
Vote: 5-Yes  0-No  0-Abstain  0-Disqualify

Respectfully submitted,
Attested to:

Deirdre Caruso,  Robert J. Koskelowski,
Recording Secretary  First Selectman