

MINUTES  
Informational Public Hearing  
Board of Selectmen  
Tuesday, May 5, 2009 @ 7:00PM  
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members present: First Selectman Robert J. Koskelowski, John Conroy, John Putorti, Annmarie Drugonis, Paul Roy, and Frank Conroy.  
Not present: Roberta King and Town Counsel George Temple.  
Others present: Town Engineer James Galligan.

ITEM # 1 - Open Public Informational Hearing.  
The First Selectman opened the Public Hearing at 7:00PM.

Everyone saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 2 - Discussion concerning Stimulus Money for Town Infrastructure.  
Robert J. Koskelowski, First Selectman: The Town of Seymour is receiving \$550,000 in Stimulus Money to be used to pave roads. The State of Connecticut DOT is in charge of these projects, which were applied for as "shovel ready" projects. The Town of Seymour submitted a list of roads, placed legal notices in the paper and had this hearing as part of the stipulations of the funds. Town Engineer Jim Galligan will be handling all of the specifications and will be filing the application this week, the State DOT Engineer will then have to review the specs and application. CT DOT stated that the Town will go out to bid between January - April 2010, although the Town is ready to go out to bid now. The First Selectman expresses his disappointment in the delay and the prolonged process that the CT DOT is implementing. The four Valley Municipalities are receiving approximately 2.2 million dollars, which will be split evenly.

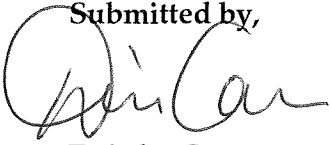
James Galligan, Town Engineer: The Stimulus Money only applies to thoroughfare roads or collector roads, which are roads that lead into State Roads. A list of these type of roads has been put together for submittal. They are: Botsford Road, Bungay Road, Mountain Road, Canfield Road, West Street, Skokorat Road, W. Church Street, Pearl Street, Rimmon Hill Road, Colony Street, Moss Avenue, and Derby Avenue from Exit 21 South to Ansonia Town line.

The Town Engineer explains that the Town must follow all of the submittal procedures for this money and part of those procedures is that the Town cannot use an asphalt contractor (Vendor in Place) off of the State Bid List, which is what the Town does every year. Instead, the Town must have the Engineer develop specs and go out to bid for asphaltting. The Stimulus Money cannot use the Vendor in Place process. The Town Engineer also states that the \$550,000 that the Town of Seymour is receiving is not enough to complete the entire list of roads presented, but if more Stimulus Money is received it can be applied to the remaining roads. He also states that if a certain amount of money is designated to a road and the cost is less than estimated, then the Town will have to return the remaining money to the State.

The First Selectman is going to request that the Town use the Vendor in Place process to save money and time. He also states that money was not put into the budget this year for roads due to the poor economy, so if the Stimulus Money does not come in until 2010 than there will be no roads done this year.

ITEM # 4 - Close Public Informational Hearing.  
The First Selectman closed the Hearing at 7:19PM.

Submitted by,



Deirdre Caruso,  
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,



Robert J. Koskelowski,  
First Selectman