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Dennis G. Rozum
Director

Board of Public Works Special Meeting Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at 7:30 PM Public Works Garage

Members present: Chairman Sean Walsh, Vice-Chairman Wayne Finkle, Secretary Stephen Cochran

Members not present: John Putorti, Karl Trybus

Others present: Robert Koskelowski, Jr., Dennis Rozum, Craig Stevens

- Sean Walsh opened the meeting at 7:30 pm

ITEM #1: Salute to the flag

ITEM #2: Approve minutes of the regular meeting on January 10, 2011

→ Motion to approve minutes of the January 10, 2011 regular meeting without alternation.

Motion: Wayne Finkle Second: Stephen Cochran

Vote – Yes: 3, No: 0, Abstain: 0

ITEM #3: Financial update

→ Stephen Cochran asked how much sand/salt has been purchased this winter to date. Rozum stated that 1,600 tons were purchased with 250 tons still in the shed. The total cost is just under \$150,000.

→ Sean Walsh asked about the telephone/communications account. Rozum stated that money has been encumbered.

→ Rozum noted the repairs and maintenance account is low, but that the account is awaiting reimbursement from the Board of Education.

ITEM #4: Public Works employee hours (take action)

→ Item was tabled.

ITEM #5: Correspondence

→ Walsh presented the Board with ethics disclosure forms. The forms must be signed by all Board members and returned to the Town Clerk's office by March 9th, 2011.

→ Walsh stated that he called the police department in regard to residents pushing snow into roads during storms, which causes a safety issue. The police department will assist with enforcement, but in turn asked that their driveway be plowed in a timelier manner during storms.

→ Walsh also said that he was made aware of a maintenance issue with the green Senior Center van.

Rozum and Stevens said that they had not received a call regarding this matter and that they should be called directly to schedule a time to check the van.

ITEM #6: Capital Discussion (take possible action)

→ Walsh stated that the funding for capital requests was denied in a recent vote, but the town is planning to put together another request with the budget vote in June.

→ Finkle suggested looking into the possibility of a revolving fund of \$100,000 for capital equipment purchases, which would then save the town on costs associated with financing. Walsh said that to his knowledge such a fund is not possible. Walsh said that there is already a \$50,000 line item in the town budget for capital purchases. The Board discussed the possibility of gradually increasing this line item in increments to accommodate vehicle and equipment purchases. The department's fleet is aged and this plan would allow the Board to phase out older equipment gradually and based upon the most pressing needs. The Board structured a five-year plan. Walsh will type up the five-year plan and discuss it with the First Selectman who will then present it at the Board of Selectmen meeting next week.

ITEM #7: Adjourn

→ Motion to adjourn at 9:31.

Motion: Wayne Finkle

Second: Stephen Cochran

Vote -- Yes: 3, No: 0, Abstain: 0

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Knott