**MINUTES FROM 07/28/2015** **SELECTBOARD MEETING**

**PRESENT:** Bernard Savage, Danielle James Choiniere (Ass’t Clerk), Linda Gotshall, Steve Aubin, Alton Bruso, Robert Creller

**GUESTS:** Terry Tatro, Eulice Gaudette, Doris Gaudette, Paul Fortin

**7PM - OPEN MEETING:** *At 7:02PM the meeting was called to order by Chairman Steve Aubin*

**ADJUST THE AGENDA (if needed):** Steve Aubin wished to include an executive session at the meeting’s end for confidential attorney-client information.

1. **APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEETING MINUTES:**

* 7/14/2015 SELECTBOARD MEETING
  + *Linda Gotshall motioned to approve the minutes from 7/14/2015 as written – seconded by Bernard Savage – all in favor – motion carried.*

1. **TABLED TOPICS AND/OR AWAITING RESULTS**

* **Tim Cota of Cotaville, LLC Request**: Not present at meeting. Topic tabled.
* **Parking Expansion/Fence at Senior Center:** Alton Bruso knew of the location and design specifications; Steve Aubin also felt he had a good grasp of the proposal. Doris Gaudette asked if any trees would be cut to which Paul Fortin said a tree on the northeast corner of senior building will likely come down. There’s a second one, rotting, that should also be felled. Costs for parking expansion are $2,600± which would consist of removing top soil, laying a mat, more soil, then stone. Larger stone could be placed on mat for better drainage. The Senior Center would gain 10-12 parking spots. There was a question which budget line it would come out of. Robert Creller thought some of the cost could possibly be donated. Linda Gotshall didn’t mind the idea of an expanded driveway but wasn’t keen on fence.

Irene Clarke had originally suggested a fence against headlights during events shining through neighbor windows. Also, if an ice rink is installed in the park a fence may better keep people on Senior property.

Select Board discussed how to pay. Highway Foreman Bing Pero was willing to do the work provided it was in fall of the year. Board thought it would be a nice gesture from the Seniors if they could chip in $500 to help defray costs. Paul Fortin said he would ask the Senior Board at their next meeting.

Eulice Gaudette asked if parking was crowded during specific events, but was answered it was all functions hosted at the senior building. Many cars park on Route 2 and create safety hazards.

* + - *Linda Gotshall motioned for the Town to put parking in if Seniors could contribute $500. – seconded by Bernard Savage – all in favor – motion carried.*
    - *Robert Creller motioned for there to be no fence installed. – seconded by Linda Gotshall – all in favor – motion carried.*

Paul Fortin expressed the Seniors didn’t want a fence to start with either.

* **Quotes for Tax Map System**: Were not found by Assistant Clerk. Topic tabled.
* **Appointment of Two Officials for Planning Commission**: One letter of interest was received 7/27. The Select Board decided to wait until it was advertised for two weeks in the Islander newspaper.

1. **NEW BUSINESS/MISCELLANEOUS**

* **Corinne Russin for 8th Grade Coin Drop**: Not present for the meeting. Tabled until further notice.
* **Set the Municipal Tax Rate**: The Local Agreement rate was not determined as of the date of this meeting so this matter was tabled.

1. **OLD BUSINESS**
   * **Quote for Windows @ Library**: Were not found by Assistant Clerk, but bids are due by 8/11.
   * **Update on Lake Street Garbage Complaint**: As of the date of this meeting the issue has been resolved.
2. **VISTOR INPUT**
   * None.
3. **APPROVE INVOICES AND/OR OVERWEIGHT PERMITS**
   * All invoices and warrants were approved – no overweight permits needing approval.
4. **PURCHASE OF 911 SIGNS**
   * Linda Gotshall suddenly remembered to address this topic. Tyler Gotshall will order signs for new house numbers, and the board can worry about posts later as not everyone will likely need them.
     + *Bernard Savage motioned for Tyler to order signs and numbers. – seconded by Alton Bruso – all in favor – motion carried.*
5. **MUNSON PAVING AFTER SAFD2 WATERLINES INSTALLED**
   * Deadline for Munson to fix West Shore Road issues is 8/14. The municipal office has received several complaints concerning ditches, drainage, mail boxes, etc. Alton Bruso thought a few board members can tour the road to look for clear signs of needed improvements on work Munson had performed last year. A certified letter of these faults can be sent to the company.
6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
   * *At 8:07 pm Steve Aubin motioned that the Board enter executive session for confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the body. 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1). – seconded by Robert Creller – all in favor – motion carried.*
   * *At 8:22 pm Linda Gotshall motioned to leave executive session – seconded by Robert Creller – all in favor – motion carried – Board out of executive session.* ***No action taken****.*
7. **ADJOURN:**
   * *At 8:27 pm Robert Creller motioned to adjourn – seconded by Linda Gotshall – all in favor – motion carried – meeting adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle James Choiniere

Alburgh Assistant Town Clerk

These minutes are not slated for approval until the next Select Board meeting on 8/11/2015.