



# TOWN OF WORTHINGTON

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## SELECTBOARD

September 15, 2015 Town Hall

7:30 P.M.

Selectboard Offices

Minutes

**Board Members present:** Acting Chair Evan Johnson and Charley Rose

**Regrets:** Dick Wagner

School Committee: John McDonald and Debbie Carnes

**Present:** Administrative Assistant Peg O'Neal, Correspondent Elodi McBride, Paul Dunlevy and John Sullivan.

### School Committee Update:

- Two new students have been added; the lunch collection system is working; pre-school tuition has been payed up front.
- Problems solved:  
There were payroll problems concerning automatic deposits. The new treasurer will be available during the week; the de-leading has been completed; a para professional, working one to one, has resigned and was immediately replaced by Gretchen; a fire-drill was successful, Gretchen will call DAS alarm about problems turning the system off and the septic system has been pumped.
- Unsolved problems: The ramp from the parking lot has not been repaired; Roof is still leaking and roof repairs will go out to bid; Pump chamber in septic system is high; the final agreements with Hampshire Regional have not been finalized; Janitor has been doing a good job cleaning the school, but is not available for Gretchen's instructions. Peg will call Rick to find out if he wants more time.
- Policy – Public gifts to the school requires the Selectboard to accept gifts. Selectboard will be added to list of people. The PTO is a separate entity. They are working on getting a tax id number and applying for non-profit status.
- Financial The Committee will begin to think about next year's budget; Joe Boudreau is helping Gretchen with spreadsheets.

### ACTION ITEMS and DISCUSSION:

**Public Hearing:** Discussion: Authorizing the Selectboard to expend MassWorks grant money, if awarded, for the Sam Hill Bridge Replacement Project. Evan made a motion to authorize to expend money received through state and federal grant programs. Charley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Charley moved to close the public hearing. Evan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes:** August 11<sup>th</sup> were signed.

Treasurer's recommendation to the Selectboard re: Albert Property pending foreclosure action and discussion re: demolition lien: A payment plan will commence.

Route 143, 75% Design Phase authorization request was signed.

The Board will have the Police Chief and Sargent John Scobie come in to discuss person who's interested in the Emergency Management Director position.

JB Welch needs to come in to request additional compensation re: North Cemetery work.

### Correspondence:

Appointment letter to Assistant Building Inspector Jeff Cranston was signed.

The HCDC Grant Implementation Hearing was scheduled for October 27<sup>th</sup>.

**All Boards Meeting:** Meeting is scheduled for November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Water Commissioner John Sullivan investigated a water leak and found that he couldn't get to the shut-off because it was coming in too fast. Excavation will be needed around it. If the problem is on the town hall side, it belongs to the town.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Letter of Full De-leading Compliance for RH Conwell Elementary

Insurance information requested by Scholl Committee

Cancellation of Former Treasurer Barbara Miller's bond

Veterans' Agent day and hour change

**MEETING NOTICES**

Kennedy et al hearing postponed to October 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Current Communications**

Executed copy of Hampshire County Emergency Communication System agreement is signed.

**Adjournment:** Charley made a motion to adjourn at 9:00 P.M. Evan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne C. Lemieux  
Recording Secretary