



TOWN OF WORTHINGTON

SELECTBOARD

January 26, 2016 Town Hall

7:25 P.M.

Selectboard Offices

Minutes

Board Members present: Chair Dick Wagner, Evan Johnson and Charley Rose

Present: Correspondent Elodi McBride, Paul Dunlevy, John McDonald, Tom Wisnauckas, Joel and Sarah Upton and Chief Kevin Moran.

Regrets: Administrative Assistant Peg O'Neal

Worthington PD update:

- Dick moved to appoint Brendon Schutter, Justin Malinowski and Michel Garcia as permanent officers for the Worthington Police Department through June 2016, pending successful, satisfactory completion of probationary period on February 2. Evan seconded. Chief Kevin Moran highly recommended the officers. Motion passed unanimously.
- R.H.Conwell lockdown: Four patrolman including Brendan Schutter and Justin Malinowski will be present at the lockdown drill tomorrow. The key for entry was discussed.
- Tim will take care of an outstanding request for a CORI check on school personnel tomorrow. The Selectboard will make a motion for an appointment subject to the successful completion of the CORI check.

Dick referred the next item on the agenda "Dodge Property" to 7:45.

ACTION ITEMS AND DISCUSSION:

Kinne Brook Road Bridge: Repair contract:

Evan made a motion to award the Kinne Brook Road Bridge Repair contract in the amount of \$96,919 to J.H. Maxymillian of Pittsfield. Charley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

RH Conwell Gutter Installation bid opening:

No bids were submitted

RH Conwell Custodian:

The hiring committee voted unanimously to recommend that Paul Dunlevy be hired as School Custodian. Dick moved to appoint Paul Dunlevy as School Custodian to start immediately, subject to the successful completion of the CORI check at the rate of \$14.40. Evan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

J Huntington Chase's Transfer Station Attendant:

The appointment is in effect until June 30, 2016 for \$13 an hour, for 15 hours a week. Appointment letter was signed.

Finance Committee letter to Eric Nakajima at MBI:

- The Finance Committee letter to MBI dated on January 20, and email requesting that Bill Stathis disseminate the Finance Committee's response to the RFP, dated January 21 will be attached to the minutes. Charley wants his comments to be a matter of public record. His opinion is that the Finance Committee is displaying inappropriate behavior by communicating with Crocker Communication and in effect, negotiating for the town. Discussion ensued. The Selectboard is amenable to schedule a meeting with the Finance Committee to discuss the process of acquiring BroadBand.

Dodge Communications:

- Charley stated that mediations were attempted at Housing Court. The mediator suggested that this issue be put before the judge. Board of Health agent Claudia Lucas stated the facts and Brian Dodge focused on a trespassing charge before the Judge. Brian agreed to an inspection.
- The Selectboard received a Public Records Law Request for all information having to do with Brian Dodge or his property. The Selectboard and the Board of Health agent have received a Motion for Discovery Question. Town Counsel advised to follow through with the Public Records Law request and to sit tight on the Motion for

Discovery until they get an interpretation and can make a recommendation. The inspection is scheduled for February 27 at 10:00 A.M. and a hearing has been scheduled with the Housing court for March 14th.

- **Chapter 90 reimbursement request:** The Selectboard signed the request for \$50,000.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Finance Committee letter to Eric Nakajima at MBI

Email between Bill Stathis and Joe Boudreau

Ben Downing's announcement not to run for re-election

Conservation Commission October 28, 2015 Public Hearing Minutes

Hydraulic Report on Sam Hill Road Bridge from Foresight Land Services:

There is a sufficient number of dollars left in the existing contract with Foresight Land Services to accomplish everything that needs to be accomplished through early June.

Ambulance Assessment: Services are increasing 5 ½ %.

Mark Brooks' property:

Kopelman and Paige PC has filed made a motion for Appellant inspection of Mark Brooks Property. The hearing is February 4th.

MEETING NOTICES:

MMA Spring Legislative Breakfast Meetings

Adjournment: Dick moved to adjourn to sign the warrants at 8:12 PM. Evan seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne C. Lemieux
Recording Secretary